

# Hermite-Hadamard Type Inequalities for $n$ -Time Differentiable and GA-Convex Functions with Applications to Means

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**Abstract:** In the paper, by Hölder’s integral inequality, the authors establish some Hermite-Hadamard type integral inequalities for  $n$ -time differentiable and GA-convex functions and apply these inequalities to construct several inequalities for special means.

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## 1 Introduction

The following definition is well known in literature.

Let  $I$  be an interval on  $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$ . A function  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be convex if

$$f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y) \quad (1)$$

holds for  $x, y \in I$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . If the inequality (1) reverses, then  $f$  is said to be concave on  $I$ .

One of the most famous inequalities for convex functions is Hermite-Hadamard’s inequality.

Let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function on an interval  $I$  of real numbers and  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . Then

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

If  $f$  is concave on  $I$ , then the inequality (2) is reversed.

On convex functions, there have been the following results.

**Theorem 1.1.**[[3]] Let  $f : I^\circ \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f'(x)|$  is convex

on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\left| \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)[|f'(a)|+|f'(b)|]}{8}. \quad (3)$$

**Theorem 1.2.**[[3]] Let  $f : I^\circ \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f'(x)|^q$  for  $q \geq 1$  is a convex function on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\left| \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left( \frac{|f'(a)|^q+|f'(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{1/q} \quad (4)$$

and

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left( \frac{|f'(a)|^q+|f'(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{1/q}. \quad (5)$$

**Theorem 1.3.**[[4]] Let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f'(x)|^{p/(p-1)}$  for  $p > 1$  is a

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convex function on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{b-a}{16} \left(\frac{4}{p+1}\right)^{1/p} \times \left\{ \left[ |f'(a)|^{p/(p-1)} + 3|f'(b)|^{p/(p-1)} \right]^{1-1/p} + \left[ 3|f'(a)|^{p/(p-1)} + |f'(b)|^{p/(p-1)} \right]^{1-1/p} \right\}. \quad (6)$$

The concepts of geometrically convex function and GA-convex function were introduced as follows.

**Definition 1.1.** The function  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ = (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  is said to be geometrically convex on  $I$  if

$$f(x^\lambda y^{1-\lambda}) \leq [f(x)]^\lambda [f(y)]^{1-\lambda} \quad (7)$$

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

**Definition 1.2.** [[5]] The function  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be GA-convex on  $I$  if

$$f(x^\lambda y^{1-\lambda}) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y) \quad (8)$$

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

Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for geometrically convex functions and GA-convex functions were obtained as follows.

**Theorem 1.4.** [[18]] Let  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be a differentiable function on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I^\circ$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f'(x)|$  is geometrically convex on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$\left| \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx - f(\sqrt{ab}) \right| \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{4} \left\{ L\left([a|f'(a)|]^{1/2}, [b|f'(b)|]^{1/2}\right) \right\}^2, \quad (9)$$

where  $L(a, b)$  is the logarithmic mean defined by

$$L(a, b) = \begin{cases} \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a}, & a \neq b, \\ a, & a = b. \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

**Theorem 1.5.** [[19]] Let  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function on  $I^\circ$ ,  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ , and  $f' \in L([a, b])$ . If  $|f'(x)|^q$  is GA-convex on  $[a, b]$  for  $q \geq 1$ , then

$$\left| [bf(b) - af(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{[(b-a)A(a, b)]^{1-1/q}}{2^{1/q}} \left\{ [L(a^2, b^2) - a^2] |f'(a)|^q + [b^2 - L(a^2, b^2)] |f'(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}, \quad (11)$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

In recent years, some other kinds of Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities were generated. For more systematic information, please refer to papers and

monographs [2], [6], [7], [13], [14], [15], [16], [17] and related references therein.

In what follows, we need some notions of means. For positive numbers  $a > 0$  and  $b > 0$ , the quantities

$$A(a, b) = \frac{a+b}{2} \quad (12)$$

and

$$L_p(a, b) = \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{b^{p+1} - a^{p+1}}{(p+1)(b-a)} \right]^{1/p}, & a \neq b \text{ and } p \neq 0, -1, \\ L(a, b), & p = -1, \\ \frac{1}{e} \left( \frac{b^p}{a^p} \right)^{1/(b-a)}, & a \neq b \text{ and } p = 0 \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

are called the arithmetic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

For more information on means, please refer to [1], [8], [9], [10] and a number of references therein.

In this paper, integral inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type related to GA-convex functions are obtained and applied to means.

## 2 A lemma

In order to obtain our main results, we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $n \geq 1$ , let  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an  $n$ -time differentiable function on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . If  $f^{(n)} \in L([a, b])$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n-1} (\ln b - \ln a)}{n!} \\ & \quad \times \int_0^1 a^{(n+1)t} b^{(n+1)(1-t)} f^{(n)}(a^t b^{1-t}) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

**Proof.** When  $n = 1$ , integrating by part and letting  $x = a^t b^{1-t}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  lead to

$$\begin{aligned} & (\ln b - \ln a) \int_0^1 a^{2t} b^{2(1-t)} f'(a^t b^{1-t}) dt \\ &= \int_a^b x f'(x) dx = x f(x) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b f(x) dx \\ &= bf(b) - af(a) - \int_a^b f(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the identity (14) holds for  $n = 1$ .

When  $n = m - 1$  and  $m \geq 2$ , suppose that the identity (14) is valid.

When  $n = m$ , by the inductive hypothesis, integrating by part and letting  $x = a^t b^{1-t}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  yield

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(-1)^{m-1} (\ln b - \ln a)}{m!} \\ & \times \int_0^1 a^{(m+1)t} b^{(m+1)(1-t)} f^{(m)}(a^t b^{1-t}) dt \\ & = \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m!} \int_a^b x^m f^{(m)}(x) dx \\ & = \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{m!} [b^m f^{(m-1)}(b) - a^m f^{(m-1)}(a)] \\ & \quad - \frac{(-1)^{m-1}}{(m-1)!} \int_a^b x^{m-1} f^{(m-1)}(x) dx \\ & = \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, when  $n = m$ , the identity (14) holds. By induction, the proof of Lemma 2.1. is complete.

**Remark 2.1.** Under the conditions of Lemma 2.1, taking  $n = 1$ , we get

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

which may be found in [19].

### 3 Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for $n$ -time differentiable and GA-convex functions

Now we start out to establish some new Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for  $n$ -time differentiable and GA-convex functions.

**Theorem 3.1.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , suppose that  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an  $n$ -time differentiable function on  $I^\circ$  and  $f^{(n)} \in L([a, b])$  for  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f^{(n)}|^q$  is a GA-convex function on  $[a, b]$  for  $q \geq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(\ln b - \ln a)^{1-1/q}}{n!(n+1)^{1/q}} \left[ L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ [L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) - a^{n+1}] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + [b^{n+1} - L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1})] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

**Proof.** By GA-convexity of  $|f^{(n)}|^q$ , Lemma 2.1, and Hölder's inequality, one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \int_0^1 a^{(n+1)t} b^{(n+1)(1-t)} |f^{(n)}(a^t b^{1-t})| dt \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \left[ \int_0^1 a^{(n+1)t} b^{(n+1)(1-t)} dt \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \int_0^1 a^{(n+1)t} b^{(n+1)(1-t)} [t |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + (1-t) |f^{(n)}(b)|^q] dt \right\}^{1/q} \\ & = \frac{(\ln b - \ln a)^{1-1/q}}{n!(n+1)^{1/q}} \left[ L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ [L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) - a^{n+1}] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + [b^{n+1} - L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1})] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.1 is thus proved.

**Corollary 3.1.1.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 3.1, if  $q = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left\{ [L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) - a^{n+1}] |f^{(n)}(a)| \right. \\ & \quad \left. + [b^{n+1} - L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1})] |f^{(n)}(b)| \right\}, \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

**Theorem 3.2.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , suppose that  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an  $n$ -time differentiable function on  $I^\circ$  and  $f^{(n)} \in L([a, b])$  for  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f^{(n)}|^q$  is a GA-convex function on  $[a, b]$  for  $q > 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \left[ L\left(a^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left[ \frac{|f^{(n)}(a)|^q + |f^{(n)}(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

**Proof.** Since  $|f^{(n)}|^q$  is a GA-convex function on  $[a, b]$ , from Lemma 2.1 and Hölder's inequality, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \int_0^1 a^{(n+1)t} b^{(n+1)(1-t)} |f^{(n)}(a^t b^{1-t})| dt \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \left[ \int_0^1 a^{q(n+1)t/(q-1)} b^{q(n+1)(1-t)/(q-1)} dt \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \int_0^1 [t |f^{(n)}(a)|^q + (1-t) |f^{(n)}(b)|^q] dt \right\}^{1/q} \\ & = \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \left[ L \left( a^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}} \right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left[ \frac{|f^{(n)}(a)|^q + |f^{(n)}(b)|^q}{2} \right]^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.2 is thus proved.

**Theorem 3.3.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , suppose that  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an  $n$ -time differentiable function on  $I^\circ$  and  $f^{(n)} \in L([a, b])$  for  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f^{(n)}|^q$  is a GA-convex function on  $[a, b]$  for  $q \geq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \\ & \frac{(\ln b - \ln a)^{1-1/q}}{n! [q(n+1)]^{1/q}} \left\{ \left[ L(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{q(n+1)}) - a^{q(n+1)} \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \left. + \left[ b^{q(n+1)} - L(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{q(n+1)}) \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}, \quad (18) \end{aligned}$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

**Proof.** Using GA-convexity of  $|f^{(n)}|^q$ , Lemma 2.1, and Hölder's inequality turns out that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \int_0^1 a^{(n+1)t} b^{(n+1)(1-t)} |f^{(n)}(a^t b^{1-t})| dt \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \left( \int_0^1 1 dt \right)^{1-1/q} \left\{ \int_0^1 a^{q(n+1)t} b^{q(n+1)(1-t)} \right. \\ & \quad \times \left. [t |f^{(n)}(a)|^q + (1-t) |f^{(n)}(b)|^q] dt \right\}^{1/q} \\ & = \frac{(\ln b - \ln a)^{1-1/q}}{n! [q(n+1)]^{1/q}} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left[ L(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{q(n+1)}) - a^{q(n+1)} \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ b^{q(n+1)} - L(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{q(n+1)}) \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of Theorem 3.3.

**Corollary 3.3.1.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 3.3, if  $q = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left\{ \left[ L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) - a^{n+1} \right] |f^{(n)}(a)| \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ b^{n+1} - L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) \right] |f^{(n)}(b)| \right\}, \quad (19) \end{aligned}$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

**Theorem 3.4.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , suppose that  $f : I \subset \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an  $n$ -time differentiable function on  $I^\circ$  and  $f^{(n)} \in L([a, b])$  for  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ . If  $|f^{(n)}|^q$  is a GA-convex function on  $[a, b]$  for  $q > 1$ , then for  $0 \leq m, r \leq (n+1)q$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n! (m \ln a - r \ln b)^{1/q}} \left[ L \left( a^{\frac{q(n+1)-m}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{q(n+1)-r}{q-1}} \right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left[ a^m - L(a^m, b^r) \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ L(a^m, b^r) - b^r \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}, \quad (20) \end{aligned}$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

**Proof.** From the GA-convexity of  $|f^{(n)}|^q$ , Lemma 2.1, and Hölder's inequality, we write

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \int_0^1 a^{(n+1)t} b^{(n+1)(1-t)} |f^{(n)}(a^t b^{1-t})| dt \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!} \left[ \int_0^1 a^{[q(n+1)-m]t/(q-1)} \right. \\ & \quad \times \left. b^{[q(n+1)-r](1-t)/(q-1)} dt \right]^{1-1/q} \left\{ \int_0^1 a^m b^r (1-t) \right. \\ & \quad \times \left. [t |f^{(n)}(a)|^q + (1-t) |f^{(n)}(b)|^q] dt \right\}^{1/q} \\ & = \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n! (m \ln a - r \ln b)^{1/q}} \left[ L \left( a^{\frac{q(n+1)-m}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{q(n+1)-r}{q-1}} \right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left[ a^m - L(a^m, b^r) \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ L(a^m, b^r) - b^r \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

The proof of Theorem 3.4 is established.

**Corollary 3.4.1.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 3.4,

1. if  $m = 0$  and  $r = q(n + 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n! [q(n+1) \ln b]^{1/q}} \left[ L\left(a^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}, 1\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left[ L(1, b^{q(n+1)}) - 1 \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ b^{q(n+1)} - L(1, b^{q(n+1)}) \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}; \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

2. if  $m = n + 1$  and  $r = q(n + 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n! [(n+1)(\ln a - q \ln b)]^{1/q}} \left[ L(a^{n+1}, 1) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left[ a^{n+1} - L(a^{n+1}, b^{q(n+1)}) \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ L(a^{n+1}, b^{q(n+1)}) - b^{q(n+1)} \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}; \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

3. if  $m = q(n + 1)$  and  $r = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n! [q(n+1) \ln a]^{1/q}} \left[ L\left(1, b^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left[ a^{q(n+1)} - L(a^{q(n+1)}, 1) \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ L(a^{q(n+1)}, 1) - 1 \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}; \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

4. if  $m = q(n + 1)$  and  $r = n + 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!} [b^k f^{(k-1)}(b) - a^k f^{(k-1)}(a)] - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n! [(n+1)(q \ln a - \ln b)]^{1/q}} \left[ L(1, b^{n+1}) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left[ a^{q(n+1)} - L(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{n+1}) \right] |f^{(n)}(a)|^q \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left[ L(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{n+1}) - b^{n+1} \right] |f^{(n)}(b)|^q \right\}^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

where  $L(u, v)$  is the logarithmic mean.

## 4 Applications in special means

Now using the results of Section 3, we get some inequalities for special means of real numbers.

For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(s+1)x^{s+n}}{\Gamma(s+n+1)}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $s > 0$ , then  $|f^{(n)}(x)|^q = x^{sq}$  is GA-convex function on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  for  $q \geq 1$ . Taking  $f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(s+1)x^{s+n}}{\Gamma(s+n+1)}$  in Theorem 3.1, Theorem 3.2, Theorem 3.3 and Theorem 3.4, respectively, the following results are obtained.

**Theorem 4.1.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $0 < a < b$ ,  $s > 0$  and  $q \geq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k! \Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \right| \\ & \quad \times [L_{s+n}(a, b)]^{s+n} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!(b-a)(n+1)^{1/q}} \left[ L(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1}) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \quad \times \left[ (sq+n+1)L(a^{sq+n+1}, b^{sq+n+1}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - sqL(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1})L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right]^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

where  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

**Corollary 4.1.1.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.1, if  $q = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k! \Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \right| \\ & \quad \times [L_{s+n}(a, b)]^{s+n} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{(n+1)!(b-a)} \left[ (s+n+1)L(a^{s+n+1}, b^{s+n+1}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - sL(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1})L(a^s, b^s) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

If  $q = 1$  and  $n = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} [L_{s+1}(a, b)]^{s+1} & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{2(b-a)} \left[ (s+2)L(a^{s+2}, b^{s+2}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - sL(a^2, b^2)L(a^s, b^s) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

where  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

**Theorem 4.2.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $0 < a < b$ ,  $s > 0$  and  $q > 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \right| \\ & \times [L_{s+n}(a, b)]^{s+n} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!(b-a)} \left[ L\left(a^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \left[ A(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right]^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where  $A(u, v)$ ,  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the arithmetic mean, the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

**Corollary 4.2.1.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.2, if  $n = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} [L_{s+1}(a, b)]^{s+1} & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{b-a} \left[ L\left(a^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \times \left[ A(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right]^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

where  $A(u, v)$ ,  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the arithmetic mean, the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

**Theorem 4.3.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $0 < a < b$ ,  $s > 0$  and  $q \geq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \right| \\ & \times [L_{s+n}(a, b)]^{s+n} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!(b-a)[q(n+1)]^{1/q}} \\ & \times \left[ q(n+1+s)L(a^{q(n+1+s)}, b^{q(n+1+s)}) \right. \\ & \left. - sqL(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{q(n+1)})L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right]^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

where  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

**Corollary 4.3.1.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.3, if  $q = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \right| \\ & \times [L_{s+n}(a, b)]^{s+n} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{(n+1)!(b-a)} \left[ (n+1+s)L(a^{n+1+s}, b^{n+1+s}) \right. \\ & \left. - sL(a^{n+1}, b^{n+1})L(a^s, b^s) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

In particular, when  $n = 1$  and  $q = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} [L_{s+1}(a, b)]^{s+1} & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{2(b-a)} \left[ (2+s)L(a^{2+s}, b^{2+s}) \right. \\ & \left. - sL(a^2, b^2)L(a^s, b^s) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

where  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

**Theorem 4.4.** For  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , if  $0 < a < b$ ,  $s > 0$  and  $q > 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \right| \\ & \times [L_{s+n}(a, b)]^{s+n} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!(b-a)(m \ln a - r \ln b)^{1/q}} \\ & \times \left[ L\left(a^{\frac{q(n+1)-m}{q-1}}, b^{\frac{q(n+1)-r}{q-1}}\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \times \left\{ [(m+sq) \ln a - (r+sq) \ln b] L(a^{m+sq}, b^{r+sq}) \right. \\ & \left. + sq(\ln b - \ln a)L(a^m, b^r)L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right\}^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

where  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

**Corollary 4.4.1.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 4.4, 1. if  $m = 0$  and  $r = q(n+1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \right. \\ & \times \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \left. [L_{s+n}(a, b)]^{s+n} \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!(b-a)[q(n+1) \ln b]^{1/q}} \left[ L\left(a^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}, 1\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \times \left\{ [q(n+1+s) \ln b - sq \ln a] L(a^{sq}, b^{q(n+1+s)}) \right. \\ & \left. + sq(\ln a - \ln b)L(1, b^{q(n+1)})L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

When  $n = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & [L_{s+1}(a, b)]^{s+1} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{(b-a)(2q \ln b)^{1/q}} \left[ L\left(a^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}, 1\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \times \left\{ [q(2+s) \ln b - sq \ln a] L(a^{sq}, b^{q(2+s)}) \right. \\ & \left. + sq(\ln a - \ln b)L(1, b^{2q})L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right\}^{1/q}; \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

2. if  $m = n + 1$  and  $r = q(n + 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \right| \\ & \times \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \left| [L_{s+n}(a,b)]^{s+n} \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(\ln b - \ln a) [L(a^{n+1}, 1)]^{1-1/q}}{n!(b-a)[(n+1)(\ln a - q \ln b)]^{1/q}} \\ & \times \left\{ [(n+1+sq) \ln a - q(n+1+s) \ln b] \right. \\ & \times L(a^{n+1+sq}, b^{q(n+1+s)}) + sq(\ln b - \ln a) \\ & \left. \times L(a^{n+1}, b^{q(n+1)}) L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

When  $n = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & [L_{s+1}(a,b)]^{s+1} \\ & \leq \frac{(\ln b - \ln a) [L(a^2, 1)]^{1-1/q}}{(b-a)[2(\ln a - q \ln b)]^{1/q}} \\ & \times \left\{ [(2+sq) \ln a - q(2+s) \ln b] L(a^{2+sq}, b^{q(2+s)}) \right. \\ & \left. + sq(\ln b - \ln a) L(a^2, b^{2q}) L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right\}^{1/q}; \end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

3. if  $m = q(n + 1)$  and  $r = 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \right| \\ & \times \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \left| [L_{s+n}(a,b)]^{s+n} \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{n!(b-a)[q(n+1) \ln a]^{1/q}} \left[ L\left(1, b^{\frac{q(n+1)}{q-1}}\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \times \left\{ sq(\ln b - \ln a) L(a^{q(n+1)}, 1) L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right. \\ & \left. + [q(n+1+s) \ln a - sq \ln b] L(a^{q(n+1+s)}, b^{sq}) \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

If  $n = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & [L_{s+1}(a,b)]^{s+1} \\ & \leq \frac{\ln b - \ln a}{(b-a)(2q \ln a)^{1/q}} \left[ L\left(1, b^{\frac{2q}{q-1}}\right) \right]^{1-1/q} \\ & \times \left\{ sq(\ln b - \ln a) L(a^{2q}, 1) L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right. \\ & \left. + [q(2+s) \ln a - sq \ln b] L(a^{q(2+s)}, b^{sq}) \right\}; \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

4. if  $m = q(n + 1)$  and  $r = n + 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\Gamma(s+n)} + (s+n+1)\Gamma(s+1) \right| \\ & \times \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{k!\Gamma(s+n+2-k)} \left| [L_{s+n}(a,b)]^{s+n} \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(\ln b - \ln a) [L(1, b^{n+1})]^{1-1/q}}{n!(b-a)[(n+1)(q \ln a - \ln b)]^{1/q}} \\ & \times \left\{ sq(\ln b - \ln a) L(a^{q(n+1)}, b^{n+1}) L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) \right. \\ & \left. + [q(n+1+s) \ln a - (n+1+sq) \ln b] \right. \\ & \left. \times L(a^{q(n+1+s)}, b^{n+1+sq}) \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \tag{40}$$

If  $n = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & [L_{s+1}(a,b)]^{s+1} \\ & \leq \frac{(\ln b - \ln a) [L(1, b^2)]^{1-1/q}}{(b-a)[2(q \ln a - \ln b)]^{1/q}} \left\{ sq(\ln b - \ln a) \right. \\ & \times L(a^{2q}, b^2) L(a^{sq}, b^{sq}) + [q(2+s) \ln a \\ & \left. - (2+sq) \ln b] L(a^{q(2+s)}, b^{2+sq}) \right\}^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

where  $L(u, v)$  and  $L_p(u, v)$  are the logarithmic mean and the generalized logarithmic mean of order  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ , respectively.

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