

Inequalities of Type Hermite-Hadamard for Fractional Integrals via Differentiable Convex Functions

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Abstract In this paper, we established some new Hermite-Hadamard-type inequalities for differentiable convex functions via Reimann-Liouville fractional integrals. Moreover, our results improve and extend the corresponding ones in the literature.

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1. Introduction

The following definition is well known in the literature.

Definition 1.1. [7,8] A function: $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to beconvex on the interval I , if for all $x, y \in I$ and $t \in (0,1)$ satisfies the following inequality:

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

Many significant inequalities have been studied for the class of convex functions, but the most important is the following inequality

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

that is known as Hermite-Hadamard inequality [1]. For more systematic information, please refer to the monographs [3-8] and closely related references therein.

In what follows we recall the following definition [9].

Definition 1.2. Let $f \in L_1[a, b]$. The left Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals $J_{a^+}^\alpha f$ and $J_{b^-}^\alpha f$ of order $\alpha > 0$ are defined by

$$J_{a^+}^\alpha f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_a^x (x-t)^{\alpha-1} f(t)dt, x > a,$$

and

$$J_{b^-}^\alpha f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_x^b (t-x)^{\alpha-1} f(t)dt, x < b,$$

respectively. Here, Γ is the gamma function $\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{\alpha-1} dt$ and $J_{a^+}^0 f(x) = J_{b^-}^0 f(x) = f(x)$.

Tomar et. al. [2] established the following Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities via Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals:

Lemma 1.1. Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be twice differentiable mapping on the interior I° of an interval I such that $f'' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Then for each $h \in (0,1)$ and $\alpha > 0$ the following equality holds:

$$I_f(f; \alpha, a, b) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} \left[\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''\left(\frac{t}{2}a + \frac{2-t}{2}b\right) dt + \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''\left(\frac{2-t}{2}a + \frac{t}{2}b\right) dt \right], \quad (2)$$

where

$$I_f(f; \alpha, a, b) = \frac{2^{\alpha-1} \Gamma(\alpha+2)}{(b-a)^\alpha} \left[J_{\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^+}^\alpha f(b) + J_{\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)^-}^\alpha f(a) \right] - (\alpha+1) f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right).$$

Theorem 1.1. The assumptions of Lemma 1.1 are satisfied. If $|f''|$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then for each $h \in (0,1)$ the following inequality holds:

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{8(\alpha+2)} (|f''(a)| + |f''(b)|). \quad (3)$$

Theorem 1.2. The assumptions of Lemma 1.1 are satisfied. If $|f''|^q$ is convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{8(\alpha+2)} \left(\frac{2}{(\alpha+1)p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} (|f''(a)| + |f''(b)|) \tag{4}$$

where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

Theorem 1.3. Let the assumptions of Lemma 1.1 be satisfied. If $|f''|^q$ is convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \times \left[\left(\frac{1}{2(\alpha+3)} |f''(a)|^q + \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+2} - \frac{1}{2(\alpha+3)} \right) |f''(b)|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + \left(\left(\frac{1}{\alpha+2} - \frac{1}{2(\alpha+3)} \right) |f''(a)|^q + \frac{1}{2(\alpha+3)} |f''(b)|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \tag{5}$$

The main objective of this article is to establish some Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for convex functions via Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals. Our results improve and generalize some types of Hermite-Hadamard inequalities in [2].

2. Main Results

We start with the following lemma:

Lemma 2.1. Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be twice differentiable mapping on the interior I° of an interval I such that $f'' \in L[a, b]$, where $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Then for each $h \in (0, 1)$ and $\alpha > 0$ the following equality holds:

$$I_f(f; \alpha, a, b) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left[\frac{(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''(tw+(1-t)a) dt}{+h^{\alpha+1} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''(tw+(1-t)b) dt} \right] \tag{6}$$

where

$$I_f(f; \alpha, a, b) = \frac{2^{\alpha-1} \Gamma(\alpha+2)}{(b-a)^\alpha} \left[J_{w^+}^\alpha f(b) + J_{w^-}^\alpha f(a) \right] + 2^{\alpha-1} (b-a) \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+1} - h^{\alpha+1} \right] f'(w) - 2^{\alpha-1} (\alpha+1) f(w),$$

and $w = ha + (1-h)b$.

Proof. Denoting

$$(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''(tw+(1-t)a) dt + h^{\alpha+2} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''(tw+(1-t)b) dt = (1-h)^{\alpha+2} I_1 + h^{\alpha+2} I_2 \tag{7}$$

Integrating by parts twice and changing variable of definite integral, we have

$$I_1 = \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''(tw+(1-t)a) dt = \frac{1}{w-a} f'(w) - \frac{\alpha+1}{(w-a)^2} f(w) + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{(w-a)^2} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f(tw+(1-t)a) dt = \frac{1}{w-a} f'(w) - \frac{\alpha+1}{(w-a)^2} f(w) + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{(w-a)^{\alpha+2}} \int_a^w (u-a)^{\alpha-1} f(u) du = \frac{1}{(1-h)(b-a)} f'(w) - \frac{\alpha+1}{(1-h)^2 (b-a)^2} f(w) + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+2)}{(1-h)^{\alpha+2} (b-a)^{\alpha+2}} J_{w^-}^\alpha f(a), \tag{8}$$

and similarly

$$I_2 = \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f''(tw+(1-t)b) dt = \frac{1}{w-b} f'(w) - \frac{\alpha+1}{(w-b)^2} f(w) + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{(w-b)^2} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} f(tw+(1-t)b) dt = \frac{1}{w-b} f'(w) - \frac{\alpha+1}{(w-b)^2} f(w) + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{(w-b)^{\alpha+2}} \int_w^b (b-u)^{\alpha-1} f(u) du = -\frac{1}{h(b-a)} f'(w) - \frac{\alpha+1}{h^2 (b-a)^2} f(w) + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+2)}{h^{\alpha+2} (b-a)^{\alpha+2}} J_{w^+}^\alpha f(b). \tag{9}$$

Using equations (8)-(9) in (7) and by the simple calculations, we obtain the desired result.

Remark 2.1. If we take $h = \frac{1}{2}$ in Lemma 2.1, then the identity (6) reduces to the identity (2) which was proved by Tomar et. al. [2].

Theorem 2.1. The assumptions of Lemma 1.1 are satisfied. If $|f''|$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then for each $h \in (0, 1)$ the following inequality holds:

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} \times \left[(\alpha+2) \left\{ (1-h)^{\alpha+2} + h^{\alpha+2} \right\} |f''(w)| + (1-h)^{\alpha+2} |f''(a)| + h^{\alpha+2} |f''(b)| \right] \tag{10}$$

Proof. From Lemma 2.1, we have

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} |f''(tw+(1-t)a)| dt + h^{\alpha+2} \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} |f''(tw+(1-t)b)| dt \right]$$

Now, since $|f''|$ is convex, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| &\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left\{ |f''(w)| \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+2} dt + |f''(a)| \int_0^1 (1-t)t^{\alpha+1} dt \right\} + h^{\alpha+2} \left\{ |f''(w)| \int_0^1 t^{\alpha+2} dt + |f''(a)| \int_0^1 (1-t)t^{\alpha+1} dt \right\} \right] \\ &= \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left\{ \frac{|f''(w)|}{\alpha+3} + \frac{|f''(a)|}{(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} \right\} + h^{\alpha+2} \left\{ \frac{|f''(w)|}{\alpha+3} + \frac{|f''(b)|}{(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} \right\} \right] \\ &= \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} \left[(\alpha+2) \left\{ \frac{(1-h)^{\alpha+2}}{h^{\alpha+2}} |f''(w)| + |f''(a)| \right\} + (1-h)^{\alpha+2} |f''(a)| + h^{\alpha+2} |f''(b)| \right] \end{aligned}$$

and this ends the proof.

Remark 2.2. If we take $h = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 2.1, then inequality (10) reduces to (3).

Theorem 2.2. The assumptions of Lemma 1.1 are satisfied.

If $|f''|^q$ is convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{(\alpha+1)p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\frac{|f''(w)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + h^{\alpha+2} \left(\frac{|f''(w)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \tag{11}$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{2}{(\alpha+1)p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\frac{|f''(w)|}{|f''(a)|} \right) + h^{\alpha+2} (|f''(w)| + |f''(b)|) \right]$$

where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

Proof. From Lemma 2.1 and using the well known Hölder integral inequality, we have

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{(\alpha+1)p} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + h^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{(\alpha+1)p} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] = \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{(\alpha+1)p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + h^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right] \tag{12}$$

Since $|f''|$ is convex, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)a)|^q dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 [t |f''(w)|^q + (1-t) |f''(a)|^q] dt \\ &= \frac{|f''(w)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

and

$$\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)b)|^q dt = \frac{|f''(w)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \tag{14}$$

Thus, if we use (13) and (14) in (12), we obtain

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{(\alpha+1)p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left[(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\frac{|f''(w)|^q + |f''(a)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + h^{\alpha+2} \left(\frac{|f''(w)|^q + |f''(b)|^q}{2} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \right]$$

this completes the proof of first part of the Theorem.

Let $a_1 = a_2 = |f''(w)|^q$, $b_1 = |f''(a)|^q$ and $b_2 = |f''(b)|^q$ for $q > 1$. Using the fact that

$\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i)^j \leq \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^j + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^j$ for $j \in (0,1]$ and $a_k, b_k > 0, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we find

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{(\alpha+1)p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \frac{1}{2^q} \times \left[\begin{aligned} &(1-h)^{\alpha+2} (|f''(w)| + |f''(a)|)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &+ h^{\alpha+2} (|f''(w)| + |f''(b)|)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned} \right] \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{2-\alpha}} \left(\frac{2}{(\alpha+1)p+1} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left[\begin{aligned} &(1-h)^{\alpha+2} (|f''(w)| + |f''(a)|) \\ &+ h^{\alpha+2} (|f''(w)| + |f''(b)|) \end{aligned} \right],$$

which completes the proof of last part of the Theorem. This completes the proof.

Remark 2.3. If we choose $h = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 2.2, then inequality (11) reduces to (4).

Theorem 2.3. Let the assumptions of Lemma 1.1 be satisfied. If $|f''|^q$ is convex on $[a, b]$ for $q > 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \times \left[\begin{aligned} &(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\frac{|f''(w)|^q}{\alpha+3} + \frac{|f''(a)|^q}{(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &+ h^{\alpha+2} \left(\frac{|f''(w)|^q}{(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} + \frac{|f''(b)|^q}{\alpha+3} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned} \right]. \tag{15}$$

Proof. From Lemma 2.1 and using the well known power mean inequality, we have

$$|I_f(f; \alpha, a, b)| \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \times \left[\begin{aligned} &(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\times \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &+ h^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\times \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \times \left[\begin{aligned} &(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\times \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &+ h^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} dt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\times \left(\int_0^1 |f''(tw+(1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned} \right] = \frac{(b-a)^2}{2^{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{\alpha+2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \times \left[\begin{aligned} &(1-h)^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} |f''(tw+(1-t)a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &+ h^{\alpha+2} \left(\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} |f''(tw+(1-t)b)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \end{aligned} \right]. \tag{16}$$

Since $|f''|^q$ is convex, then we have

$$\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} |f''(tw+(1-t)a)|^q dt \leq \int_0^1 [t^{\alpha+2} |f''(w)|^q + (1-t)t^{\alpha+1} |f''(a)|^q] dt = \frac{|f''(w)|^q}{\alpha+3} + \frac{|f''(a)|^q}{(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} \tag{17}$$

and

$$\int_0^1 t^{\alpha+1} |f''(tw+(1-t)b)|^q dt = \frac{|f''(w)|^q}{(\alpha+2)(\alpha+3)} + \frac{|f''(b)|^q}{\alpha+3}. \tag{18}$$

Combining equations (16), (17) and (18), we obtain inequality (15) as required.

Remark 2.4. If we choose $h = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 2.3, then inequality (15) reduces to (5).

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