# One review of McShane-type inequalities

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*Abstract*—In this paper Diaz-Metcalf inequality is refined upon the conversion of McShane-type inequality. Extension of generalized Hadamard inequality on functions of two variable is reviewed. The inverse of Hölder's inequality is proven using the property of two-variable function. One estimation of Jensen's functional is rewritten.

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# I. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper  $\Omega$  will denote a nonempty set and Lwill denote a linear class of real-valued functions  $f : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ and a linear mean  $A : L \to \mathbb{R}$  will be considered as linear, positive and normalized functional (see [1, p. 47] and [5]). Mathematical expectation E[X] is a linear mean for random variable X as a function on a probability space  $(\Omega, \Sigma, P)$ .

McShane's generalization of the Jensen's inequality is presented in [1, p. 49].

Theorem 1 (McShane): Let  $\varphi$  be a continuous convex function on a closed convex set K in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and A be a linear mean on L. Let  $g_i$  be a function in L, i = 1, ..., n, such that  $\mathbf{g}(x) = (g_1(x), ..., g_n(x))$  is in K for all  $x \in \Omega$  and the components of  $\varphi(\mathbf{g})$  are in the class L. Then  $A(\mathbf{g}) = (A(g_1), ..., A(g_2))$  is in K and  $\varphi(A(\mathbf{g})) \leq A(\varphi(\mathbf{g}))$ .

Following the tag of the relationship between Jensen's functionals of the shape

 $J_n(\varphi, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \varphi(x_i) - \varphi(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i)$ , given in [3] for different weights  $p_i, q_i > 0$ ,  $\sum_i p_i = \sum_i q_i = 1$  and for  $x_i$  as vectors from the vector space X, we have obtained relations for Hölder and Minkowski type inequalities.

## II. CONVERSIONS ON A RECTANGULAR

In this section we consider Theorem for a concave function  $\varphi$  defined on  $K = D \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  to obtain a conversion of inequality  $A(\varphi(\mathbf{g})) \leq \varphi(A(\mathbf{g}))$  for two variables.

For the statement of the next Theorem that has been proved in [5] we now consider continuous functions  $M_{ij}, m_{ij} : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$M_{ij}(t,s) = \frac{(\lambda_{i} + \lambda_{j})t + (\mu_{i} + \mu_{j})s + \nu_{i} + \nu_{j}}{2} + \frac{|(\lambda_{i} - \lambda_{j})t + (\mu_{i} - \mu_{j})s + \nu_{i} - \nu_{j}|}{2},$$
  
$$m_{ij}(t,s) = \frac{(\lambda_{i} + \lambda_{j})t + (\mu_{i} + \mu_{j})s + \nu_{i} + \nu_{j}}{2} - \frac{|(\lambda_{i} - \lambda_{j})t + (\mu_{i} - \mu_{j})s + \nu_{i} - \nu_{j}|}{2}, (1)$$

with the coefficients:

$$\lambda_{1,4} = \frac{\varphi(A,b) - \varphi(a,b)}{A-a}; \quad \mu_{1,3} = \frac{\varphi(a,B) - \varphi(a,b)}{B-b};$$
  

$$\lambda_{2,3} = \frac{\varphi(A,B) - \varphi(a,B)}{A-a}; \quad \mu_{2,4} = \frac{\varphi(A,B) - \varphi(A,b)}{B-b};$$
  

$$\nu_1 = \varphi(a,b) - \lambda_1 a - \mu_1 b; \quad \nu_2 = \varphi(A,B) - \lambda_2 A - \mu_2 B$$
  

$$\nu_3 = \varphi(a,B) - \lambda_3 a - \mu_3 B; \quad \nu_4 = \varphi(A,b) - \lambda_4 A - \mu_4 b.$$
  
(2)

Theorem 2.1: Let  $A: L \to \mathbb{R}$  be a linear mean and  $g_1, g_2 \in L$  are functions with  $g_1(t) \in [a, A], g_2(t) \in [b, B]$  for all  $t \in \Omega$ . Functions  $M_{12}, M_{34}, m_{12}$  and  $m_{34}$  are defined by (1). Suppose that  $\varphi : D \to \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous and concave function.

(i) If 
$$\Delta \varphi \ge 0$$
, then

$$M_{12}(A(g_1), A(g_2)) \le A(m_{34}(g_1, g_2)) \le A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

(*ii*) If  $\Delta \varphi \leq 0$ , then

$$M_{34}(A(g_1), A(g_2)) \le A(m_{12}(g_1, g_2)) \le A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

The well-known inequality of Hadamard is given in [9, p.11] and [8] An extension of the weighted Hadamard's inequality proved by Fejér is given in [1, p.138] and [8].

As application of Theorem 2.1 for a linear mean defined as weighted integral over the rectangle D, we obtain in [5] a refinement of Feyér's inequalities calculated by  $O(|\Delta \varphi|)$ .

Theorem 2: Let  $w: D = [a, A] \times [b, B] \to \mathbb{R}$  be a nonnegative integrable function such that w(s, t) = u(s)v(t), where  $u: [a, A] \to \mathbb{R}$  is an integrable function,  $\int_a^A u(s)ds = 1$ , u(s) = u(a + A - s), for all  $s \in [a, A]$  and  $v: [b, B] \to \mathbb{R}$  is an integrable function,  $\int_b^B v(t)dt = 1$ , v(t) = v(b+B-t), for all  $t \in [b, B]$ . If  $\varphi: D \to \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous concave function, then

$$\begin{aligned} \max\{\frac{\varphi(a,b) + \varphi(A,B)}{2}, \frac{\varphi(A,b) + \varphi(a,B)}{2}\} - O(|\Delta\varphi|) \\ &\leq \int_D w(\mathbf{x})\varphi(\mathbf{x})d\mathbf{x} \leq \varphi(\frac{a+A}{2}, \frac{b+B}{2}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $O(|\Delta \varphi|) =$ 

$$\begin{array}{ll} = & \displaystyle \frac{|\Delta \varphi|}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{A-a} \int_{a}^{A} su(s) (\int_{b+\frac{B-b}{A-a}(s-a)}^{B-\frac{B-b}{A-a}(s-a)} v(t) dt) ds \\ & \displaystyle + \frac{1}{B-b} \int_{b}^{B} tv(t) (\int_{a+\frac{A-a}{B-b}(t-b)}^{A-\frac{A-a}{B-b}(t-b)} u(s) ds) dt \right]. \end{array}$$

Similar enlargements on two-variables functions and their refinements are given in [8] and [5], for the inequalities given by Lupaş and Petrović for functions of one variable.

Well-known inequality of Schwarz-Cauchy- Buniakowsky for mathematical expectation of random variables  $\xi, \eta$  defined on a probability space  $(\Omega, \Sigma, P)$  is given with  $(E[\xi\eta])^2 \leq E[\xi^2]E[\eta^2]$ . If  $X = \xi^2$  and  $Y = \eta^2$ , then it turns into  $E[\sqrt{XY}] \leq \sqrt{E[X]E[Y]}$ .

For  $P(m_1 \le \xi \le M_1) = P(m_2 \le \eta \le M_2) = 1$ ,

 $m_1, m_2 > 0$ , Diaz and Metcalf have proved a conversion in [7]:

$$m_2 M_2 E[\xi^2] + m_1 M_1 E[\eta^2] \le (m_1 m_2 + M_1 M_2) E[\xi\eta].$$

Csiszár and Móri in [2] obtained

 $\lambda E[\xi^2] + \mu E[\eta^2] + \nu \leq E[\xi\eta]$  with coefficients  $\lambda_{(1)}, \mu_{(1)}, \nu_{(1)}$  and respectively  $\lambda_{(2)}, \mu_{(2)}, \nu_{(2)}$ , calculated from (2). Theorem 2.1 refined the result of Csiszár and Móri.

Corollary 2.1: Suppose  $(\Omega, \Sigma, P)$  is a probability space and  $g_1 = \xi^2$  and  $g_2 = \eta^2$  to be random variables with  $P(m_1 \le \xi \le M_1) = 1$  and  $P(m_2 \le \eta \le M_2) = 1$ , for  $m_1, m_2 > 0$ . Taking  $\varphi(x, y) = \sqrt{xy}$  and taking mathematical expectation E as linear mean, we obtain  $\lambda E[\xi^2] + \mu E[\eta^2] + \nu \le E[\xi\eta]$  calculating (2). If  $(M_2^2 - m_2^2)E[\xi^2] - (M_1^2 - m_1^2)E[\eta^2] \le m_1^2M_2^2 - M_1^2m_2^2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{(3)} &= \frac{M_2}{m_1 + M_1}, \ \mu_{(3)} &= \frac{m_1}{m_2 + M_2} \text{ and } \\ \nu_{(3)} &= (M_1 m_2 - m_1 M_2) \lambda_{(3)} \mu_{(3)}. \\ \text{In opposite,} \\ (M^2 - m^2) E[\xi^2] &= (M^2 - m^2) E[n^2] \ge m^2 M^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$(M_2^2 - m_2^2)E[\xi^2] - (M_1^2 - m_1^2)E[\eta^2] \ge m_1^2 M_2^2 - M_1^2 m_2^2$$
  
gives the coefficients

$$\lambda_{(4)} = \frac{m_2}{m_1 + M_1}, \ \mu_{(4)} = \frac{m_1}{m_2 + M_2} \text{ and } \\ \nu_{(4)} = (m_1 M_2 - M_1 m_2) \lambda_{(4)} \mu_{(4)}.$$

Simple algebra ensures that

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{(i)} E[\xi^2] + \mu_{(i)} E[\eta^2] + \nu_{(i)} &\leq \lambda_{(j)} E[\xi^2] + \mu_{(j)} E[\eta^2] + \nu_{(j)}, \\ i &= 1, 2; \ j = 3, 4. \end{split}$$

## III. ADVANCED CONVERSIONS ON RECTANGULAR

Conversions of the McShane inequality are obtained applying the functions of two variables according to the idea for conversions of Jensen's inequality given in [1, p.101].

Theorem 2.1, proved in [4], has inspired the following result.

Theorem 3.1: Let  $\varphi, f: D \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\varphi$  is continuous and concave and assume that for  $g_1, g_2 \in L$ , compositions  $\varphi(g_1, g_2), f(g_1, g_2) \in L$ . A is a linear mean on L. After Theorem 1,  $A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)) \leq \varphi(A(g_1), A(g_2))$ .

Suppose  $\mathcal{F}: U \times V \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  increases in the first variable and  $\varphi(D) \subset U, f(D) \subset V.$ 

(i) If 
$$\Delta \varphi \ge 0$$
, then

$$\min_{\substack{(t,s)\in D}} \mathcal{F}\left(M_{12}(t,s), f(t,s)\right)$$
$$\leq \mathcal{F}\left(A(\varphi(g_1,g_2)), g(A(g_1), A(g_2))\right).$$

(*ii*) In the case  $\Delta \varphi \leq 0$ , we have

$$\min_{\substack{(t,s)\in D}} \mathcal{F}\left(M_{34}(t,s),g(t,s)\right)$$
$$\leq \mathcal{F}\left(A(\varphi(g_1,g_2)),g(A(g_1),A(g_2))\right).$$

*Proof:* (*i*) Condition  $\Delta \varphi \ge 0$ , after Theorem 2.1 entails

$$M_{12}(A(g_1), A(g_2)) \le E[\varphi(g_1, g_2)].$$

From increasing  $\mathcal{F}(\cdot, v)$  it follows that

$$\mathcal{F} (A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)), g(A(g_1), A(g_2))) \\ \ge \mathcal{F} (M_{12}(A(g_1), A(g_2)), g(A(g_1), A(g_2)))$$

Now  $(A(g_1), A(g_2)) \in D$  ensures

$$\mathcal{F}(M_{12}(A(g_1), A(g_2)), g(A(g_1), A(g_2))) \\ \geq \min_{(t,s) \in D} \mathcal{F}(M_{12}(t, s), g(A(g_1), A(g_2)))$$

and the Theorem is proved.

The next statements follow from Theorem 3.1 for specially defined function  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Corollary 3.1: Assume  $g_1, g_2 \in L$  such that for  $\varphi : D \to \mathbb{R}$ we have  $\varphi(g_1, g_2) \in L$  and suppose  $\varphi$  is a continuous concave function.

(i) If 
$$\Delta \varphi \ge 0$$
 then

$$\varphi(A(g_1), A(g_2)) + \min_{(t,s)\in D} \left( M_{12}(s,t) - \varphi(t,s) \right)$$
$$\leq A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

(*ii*) If 
$$\Delta \varphi \leq 0$$
, then

$$\varphi(A(g_1), A(g_2)) + \min_{(t,s) \in D} \left( M_{34}(s, t) - \varphi(t, s) \right)$$
$$\leq A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} (iii) \ \ \mathrm{If} \ \Delta \varphi \geq 0 \ \mathrm{and} \ \varphi(D) > 0, \ \mathrm{then} \\ \\ & \min_{(t,s)\in D} \frac{M_{12}(t,s)}{\varphi(t,s)} \cdot \varphi(A(g_1),A(g_2)) \leq A(\varphi(g_1,g_2)). \end{array}$$

(*iv*) In opposite, if  $\Delta \varphi \leq 0$  together with  $\varphi(D) > 0$ , then

$$\min_{t,s)\in D} \frac{M_{34}(t,s)}{\varphi(t,s)} \cdot \varphi(A(g_1), A(g_2)) \le A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

*Proof:* To prove (*i*) and (*ii*) use  $\mathcal{F}(x, y) = x - y$ . For (*iii*) and (*iv*) take  $\mathcal{F}(x, y) = \frac{x}{y}$ . Then apply Theorem 3.1.

The next Lemma is a consequence of the fact that  $\alpha x + \beta y \le \max\{x, y\}$  for  $\alpha, \beta \ge 0, \alpha + \beta = 1$ .

*Lemma 3.1:* Let  $g_1, g_2 \in L$  such that for continuous concave function  $\varphi: D \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\varphi(g_1, g_2)$  belongs to L. If  $\alpha, \beta \ge 0$ and  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ , then

(i) For  $\Delta \varphi \geq 0$  we have:

$$(\alpha\lambda_1 + \beta\lambda_2)A(g_1) + (\alpha\mu_1 + \beta\mu_2)A(g_2) + \alpha\nu_1 + \beta\nu_2$$
  
$$< A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

(*ii*) In the case  $\Delta \varphi \leq 0$ , there is

$$(\alpha\lambda_3 + \beta\lambda_4)A(g_1) + (\alpha\mu_3 + \beta\mu_4)A(g_2) + \alpha\nu_3 + \beta\nu_4$$
  
$$\leq A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

For the next results we take assumption that  $\nu_1$  and  $\nu_2$  from (2) are of the opposite sign.

Proposition 3.1: Let  $\varphi: D \to \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous concave function, let  $g_1, g_2 \in L$  such that  $\varphi(g_1, g_2) \in L$  and A as a linear mean on L.

(i) Condition  $\Delta \varphi \ge 0$  together with presumption  $\nu_1 \cdot \nu_2 < 0$  ensures

$$U_{12}A(g_1) + V_{12}A(g_2) \le A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)),$$

whereby:

$$U_{12} = \frac{\nu_2 \lambda_1 - \nu_1 \lambda_2}{\nu_2 - \nu_1}, \ V_{12} = \frac{\nu_2 \mu_1 - \nu_1 \mu_2}{\nu_2 - \nu_1}.$$

(*ii*) Condition  $\Delta \varphi \leq 0$  with  $\nu_3 \cdot \nu_4 < 0$  gives

$$U_{34}Ag_1 + V_{34}Ag_2 \le A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)),$$

whereby

$$U_{34} = \frac{\nu_4 \lambda_3 - \nu_3 \lambda_4}{\nu_4 - \nu_3}, \ V_{34} = \frac{\nu_4 \mu_3 - \nu_3 \mu_4}{\nu_4 - \nu_3}$$

*Proof:* For (*i*) it is enough to solve the system

$$\begin{cases} \alpha + \beta &= 1\\ \alpha \nu_1 + \beta \nu_2 &= 0. \end{cases}$$
 and apply Lemma 3.1

Specially defined function  $\mathcal{F}$  appears in the next corollaries: Corollary 3.2: Let  $\varphi : D \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous concave

Corollary 3.2: Let  $\varphi : D \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous concave positive function. Let  $g_1, g_2 \in L$  such that  $\varphi(g_1, g_2) \in L$ and A is a linear mean on L.

(i) Case  $\Delta \varphi \ge 0$  under the condition  $\nu_1 \cdot \nu_2 < 0$  gives

$$\min_{(t,s)\in D} \frac{U_{12}t+V_{12}s}{\varphi(t,s)} \cdot \varphi(A(g_1), A(g_2)) \le A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

(*ii*) Case  $\Delta \varphi \leq 0$  under the condition  $\nu_3 \cdot \nu_4 < 0$  gives

$$\min_{(t,s)\in D} \frac{U_{34}t+V_{34}s}{\varphi(t,s)} \cdot \varphi(A(g_1), A(g_2)) \le A(\varphi(g_1, g_2)).$$

# IV. AN EXAMPLE

Using results given in the previous section, as an example, a conversion of Hölder inequality is proved.

Theorem 4.1 (General Gheorghiu inequality): Let

 $g_1(\Omega) \subset [a, A]$  and  $g_2(\Omega) \subset [b, B]$  for positive real numbers a, b and take positive real numbers p, q such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  holds. Under these presumptions the following is valid:

$$\frac{p^{\frac{1}{p}}q^{\frac{1}{q}}(abAB)^{\frac{1}{pq}}\left((AB)^{\frac{1}{p}}-(ab)^{\frac{1}{p}}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}\left((AB)^{\frac{1}{q}}-(ab)^{\frac{1}{q}}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}}{AB-ab}\cdot(A(g_1))^{\frac{1}{p}}(A(g_2))^{\frac{1}{q}} \le A\left(g_1^{\frac{1}{p}}g_2^{\frac{1}{q}}\right).$$

*Proof:* Function  $\varphi(x, y) = x^{\frac{1}{p}} y^{\frac{1}{q}}$  is continuous, concave and  $\varphi(x, y) > 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in D = [a, A] \times [b, B]$ . Furthermore,  $\left(A^{\frac{1}{p}} - a^{\frac{1}{p}}\right) \left(B^{\frac{1}{q}} - b^{\frac{1}{q}}\right) > 0$ .

Presumption  $\nu_1 \cdot \nu_2 \leq 0$  from Theorem 2.1 is a consequence of Lagrange mean-value theorem for differentiable function, ensuring

 $\frac{1}{a}b^{\frac{1}{q}-1} \ge \frac{B^{\frac{1}{q}} - b^{\frac{1}{q}}}{B-b} \ge \frac{1}{n}A^{\frac{1}{p}-1}.$ 

$$\frac{1}{p}a^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \ge \frac{A^{\frac{1}{p}} - a^{\frac{1}{p}}}{A-a} \ge \frac{1}{p}A^{\frac{1}{p}-1}$$
(3)

and

The inequalities in (3) give:

$$\nu_2 \le A^{\frac{1}{p}} B^{\frac{1}{q}} - \frac{A^{\frac{1}{p}} B^{\frac{1}{q}}}{p} - \frac{A^{\frac{1}{p}} B^{\frac{1}{q}}}{q} = A^{\frac{1}{p}} B^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}\right) = 0.$$

and

$$\nu_1 \ge a^{\frac{1}{p}} b^{\frac{1}{q}} - \frac{a^{\frac{1}{p}} b^{\frac{1}{q}}}{p} - \frac{a^{\frac{1}{p}} b^{\frac{1}{q}}}{q} = a^{\frac{1}{p}} b^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q}\right) = 0.$$

It remains to minimize the function  $\frac{U_{12}t + V_{12}s}{\varphi(t,s)}$ :

$$\min_{(t,s)\in D} \frac{U_{12}t + V_{12}s}{t^{\frac{1}{p}}s^{\frac{1}{q}}} = \min_{(t,s)\in D} \left( U \cdot \left(\frac{t}{s}\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} + V \cdot \left(\frac{s}{t}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right).$$

Differential calculus renders the minimum in  $\left(\frac{t}{s}\right)_{min} = \frac{V \cdot q}{U \cdot p}$ , the points on the straight-line  $\frac{t}{s} = \frac{Vq}{Up}$  inside rectangular D.

The minimum value is  $U^{\frac{1}{p}}V^{\frac{1}{q}}p^{\frac{1}{p}}q^{\frac{1}{q}}$ . Substituting  $U_{12}$  and  $V_{12}$  from Remark 3.1 gives as follows:

$$U_{12} = \frac{B^{\frac{1}{q}}b^{\frac{1}{q}}\left((AB)^{\frac{1}{p}} - (ab)^{\frac{1}{p}}\right)}{AB - ab}$$
$$V_{12} = \frac{A^{\frac{1}{p}}a^{\frac{1}{p}}\left((AB)^{\frac{1}{q}} - (ab)^{\frac{1}{q}}\right)}{AB - ab}$$

and proof is finished.

Direct consequence of Theorem 4.1 is presented in [6] and [8] as Gheorghiu inequality for specially boarded values of random variables.

# V. ESTIMATIONS OF JENSEN'S FUNCTIONALS

In [4] we have considered Jensen's functional:

 $J(\varphi, \mathbf{f}, \gamma; A) := A(\gamma\varphi(\mathbf{f})) - A(\gamma)\varphi\left(\frac{A(\gamma\mathbf{f})}{A(\gamma)}\right)$ , where  $\varphi$  is continuous, convex function on a convex set  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . For a linear mean A and  $f_1, \ldots, f_n \in L$  in [1, p. 48] is defined:  $A(\mathbf{f}) = A(f_1, \ldots, f_n) = (A(f_1), \ldots, A(f_n))$ .  $\gamma \in L$  is a non-negative weight function. Real constants m and M are such that for non-negative  $p, q \in L$  and for all  $t \in \Omega$  the next inequalities hold

$$p(t) - mq(t) \ge 0, \quad Mq(t) - p(t) \ge 0,$$
  

$$A(p) - mA(q) > 0, \quad MA(q) - A(p) > 0.$$
(4)

Next we rewrite the main Theorem from [4] as Theorem 5.1. Theorem 5.1: Besides the mentioned above, assume that for all functions  $f_i \in L, i = 1, ..., n$ , mapping  $\mathbf{f}(x) = (f_1(x), ..., f_n(x))$  is in K for all  $x \in \Omega$ . If the components of  $p\mathbf{f}, q\mathbf{f}, \varphi(\mathbf{f}), q\varphi(\mathbf{f}), p\varphi(\mathbf{f})$  are in the class L, then  $\varphi\left(\frac{A(q\mathbf{f})}{A(q)}\right)$ and  $\varphi\left(\frac{A(p\mathbf{f})}{A(p)}\right)$  are well defined if  $A(p) \neq 0$ , and  $A(q) \neq 0$ . And the next inequalities hold:

$$M \ J(\varphi, \mathbf{f}, q; A) \geq J(\varphi, \mathbf{f}, p; A) \geq m \ J(\varphi, \mathbf{f}, q; A).$$

The inequalities are reversed if the function  $\varphi$  is concave.

In [4] we consider generalized means  $M_{\chi}(\varphi(\mathbf{f}), w; A)$  for a function  $\mathbf{f} = (f_1, f_2, ..., f_n) : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^n$ , function  $\varphi$  of nvariables, with respect to the isotonic positive linear functional A and a continuous and strictly monotonic function  $\chi: I \to \mathbb{R}$ .

$$M_{\chi}(\varphi(\mathbf{f}), w; A) = \chi^{-1} \left( \frac{A(w\chi(\varphi(\mathbf{f})))}{A(w)} \right), \quad \chi(\varphi(\mathbf{f}(x))) \in L$$

The next Theorem is also proved in [4].

Theorem 5.2: Let  $A : L \to \mathbb{R}$  be a linear mean. Let  $\chi, \psi_i : I \to \mathbb{R}, i = 1, ..., n$  be continuous and strictly monotonic functions, and let  $\varphi$  be a function of n variables. Moreover, let m and M be real constants such that the (4) hold for  $p, q \in L$ . If we suppose that the function  $H(a, a, \dots, a) = \chi \circ (a|a^{-1}(a)) = a|a^{-1}(a))$  is convex

 $H(s_1, s_2, ..., s_n) = \chi \circ \varphi(\psi_1^{-1}(s_1), ..., \psi_n^{-1}(s_n)) \text{ is convex}$ then for every  $\mathbf{g} = (g_1, g_2, ..., g_n) : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^n$ , such that the functions  $\psi_i(g_i), p\psi_i(g_i), q\psi_i(g_i), \chi(\varphi(\mathbf{g}))$  are in *L*, we have

that 
$$H\left(\frac{A(p\psi_1(g_1))}{A(p)}, \dots, \frac{A(p\psi_n(g_n))}{A(p)}\right)$$
 and  
 $H\left(\frac{A(q\psi_1(g_1))}{A(q)}, \dots, \frac{A(q\psi_n(g_n))}{A(q)}\right)$  are well defined.

And the next inequalities hold:

$$MA(q) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(\varphi(\mathbf{g}), q; A)) - \chi(\varphi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{1}, q; A), ..., M_{\psi_{n}}(g_{n}, q; A)))] \\ \geq A(p) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(\varphi(\mathbf{g}), p; A)) - \chi(\varphi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{1}, p; A), ..., M_{\psi_{n}}(g_{n}, p; A)))] \\ \geq mA(q) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(\varphi(\mathbf{g}), q; A)) - \chi(\varphi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{1}, q; A), ..., M_{\psi_{n}}(g_{n}, q; A)))]$$

The inequalities are reversed if the function H is concave. In the following two corollaries of Theorem 5.2 we give extensions of the multiplicative type inequality and the additive type inequality investigating in [10] and [4].

Corollary 5.1: Assume that  $\varphi(x, y, z) = x + y + z$ . Let  $M, m, p, q, \chi, g_i, \psi_i$  be as in Theorem 5.2 for n = 3 and  $H(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \chi(\psi_1^{-1}(s_1) + \psi_2^{-1}(s_2) + \psi_3^{-1}(s_3))$ . Moreover, let

$$F_1 = \frac{\psi_1'}{\psi_1''}, \quad F_2 = \frac{\psi_2'}{\psi_2''}, \quad F_3 = \frac{\psi_3'}{\psi_3''}, \quad \text{and} \quad G = \frac{\chi'}{\chi''}.$$

If  $\psi'_1, \psi'_2, \psi'_3, \chi'$  are positive and  $\psi''_1, \psi''_2, \psi''_3, \chi''$  are negative, then  $H(s_1, s_2, s_3)$  is convex and

$$MA(q) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(g_{1} + g_{2} + g_{3}, q; A)) - \chi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{1}, q; A) + M_{\psi_{2}}(g_{2}, q; A) + M_{\psi_{3}}(g_{3}, q; A))] \ge A(p) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(g_{1} + g_{2} + g_{3}, p; A)) - \chi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{2}, q; A) + M_{\psi_{2}}(g_{2}, q; A) + M_{\psi_{3}}(g_{3}, q; A))]$$

$$-\chi(M_{\psi_1}(g_1, p; A) + M_{\psi_2}(g_2, p; A) + M_{\psi_3}(g_3, p; A)))$$
  

$$\geq mA(q) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(g_1 + g_2 + g_3, q; A))]$$

$$-\chi(M_{\psi_1}(g_1,q;A) + M_{\psi_2}(g_2,q;A) + M_{\psi_3}(g_3,q;A))]$$

hold iff  $G(g_1 + g_2 + g_3) \le F_1(g_1) + F_2(g_2) + F_3(g_3)$ .

If all of  $\psi'_1, \psi'_2, \psi'_3, \chi', \psi''_1, \psi''_2, \psi''_3, \chi''$  are positive, then  $H(s_1, s_2, s_3)$  is concave and the inequalities are reversed iff  $G(g_1 + g_2 + g_3) \ge F_1(g_1) + F_2(g_2) + F_3(g_3)$ .

Corollary 5.2: Assume the function  $\varphi(x,y) = x \cdot y \cdot z$ . Let  $M, m, p, q, \chi, g_i, \psi_i$  be as in Theorem 5.2 for n = 3 and  $H(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \chi(\psi_1^{-1}(s_1) \cdot \psi_2^{-1}(s_2) \cdot \psi_3^{-1}(s_3))$ . Moreover, let

$$B_1(x) = \frac{\psi_1'(x)}{\psi_1'(x) + x\psi_1''(x)}, B_2(x) = \frac{\psi_2'(x)}{\psi_1'(x) + x\psi_2''(x)},$$
  

$$B_3(x) = \frac{\psi_3'(x)}{\psi_1'(x) + x\psi_3''(x)} \text{ and } C(x) = \frac{\chi_1'(x)}{\chi_1'(x) + x\chi_1''(x)}.$$

If  $g_1, g_2, g_3, \chi'$  are positive and  $B_1(g_1), B_2(g_2), B_3(g_3)$  and  $C(g_1g_2g_3)$  are negative, then the function  $H(s_1, s_2, s_3)$  is convex and

$$\begin{aligned} &MA(q) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(g_{1} \cdot g_{2} \cdot g_{3}, q; A)) \\ &-\chi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{1}, q; A) \cdot M_{\psi_{2}}(g_{2}, q; A) \cdot M_{\psi_{3}}(g_{3}, q; A))] \\ \geq & A(p) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(g_{1} \cdot g_{2} \cdot g_{3}, p; A)) \\ &-\chi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{1}, p; A) \cdot M_{\psi_{2}}(g_{2}, p; A) \cdot M_{\psi_{3}}(g_{3}, p; A))] \\ \geq & mA(q) \cdot [\chi(M_{\chi}(g_{1} \cdot g_{2} \cdot g_{3}, q; A)) \\ &-\chi(M_{\psi_{1}}(g_{1}, q; A) \cdot M_{\psi_{2}}(g_{2}, q; A) \cdot M_{\psi_{3}}(g_{3}, q; A))] \end{aligned}$$

hold iff  $C(g_1 \cdot g_2 \cdot g_3) \le B_1(g_1) + B_2(g_2) + B_3(g_3)$ .

If  $g_1, g_2, g_3, \chi', B_1(g_1), B_2(g_2), B_3(g_3), C(g_1g_2g_3)$  are positive then the function  $H(s_1, s_2, s_3)$  is concave and the inequalities are reversed iff  $C(g_1 \cdot g_2 \cdot g_3) \ge B_1(g_1) + B_2(g_2) + B_3(g_3)$ .

Applications of two-variables cases are presented in [4] for some elementary functions. Further studies can be taken in the direction of expanding the function  $\varphi$  on more than variables.

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