

GENERALIZATION OF THE FEJÉR–HADAMARD'S INEQUALITY FOR CONVEX FUNCTION ON COORDINATES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we give generalization of the Fejér–Hadamard inequality by using definition of convex functions on n -coordinates. Results given in [8, 12] are particular cases of results given here.

1. Introduction

Convex functions are important and provide a base to build literature of mathematical inequalities. A function $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, where I is an interval in \mathbb{R} is called convex if

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

where $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, $x, y \in I$.

A bundle of inequalities in literature, are due to convex functions or functions related to convex functions see [4, 9, 15]. A classical inequality for convex functions is Hadamard inequality, this is given as follows:

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

where $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex function $a, b \in I$, $a < b$ (see [17, p. 137]).

In many areas of analysis, application of the Hadamard inequality appear for different classes of functions (see [1, 3, 6, 10, 18] for convex functions). Some useful mappings connected to this inequality are also defined by many authors, for example, see [2, 5, 10, 14]. In recent years, the concept of convexity has been extended and generalized in various directions. In this regards, very novel and innovative techniques are used by different authors (see, [11, 16]).

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In 1906, Fejér (see [13] and [17, p. 138]) established the following weighted generalization of the Hadamard inequality. The inequalities

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

hold for every convex function $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $a, b \in I$, and $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is symmetric about $(a+b)/2$.

In [8] S. S. Dragomir gave Hadamard inequality for rectangle in plane by defining convex functions on coordinates.

Definition 1.1. Let $\Delta^2 := [a, b] \times [c, d] \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ with $a < b$ and $c < d$. A function $f : \Delta^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ will be called convex on coordinates if the partial mapping $f_y : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f_y(u) := f(u, y)$ and $f_x : [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f_x(v) := f(x, v)$ are convex, where defined for all $y \in [c, d]$ and $x \in [a, b]$.

Theorem 1.2. Let $f : \Delta^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex mapping on coordinates in Δ^2 . Also let $g_1 : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ and $g_2 : [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be two integrable and symmetric functions about $(a+b)/2$ and $(c+d)/2$ respectively. Then one has the following inequalities

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} & f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{G_1} \int_a^b f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) g_1(x)dx + \frac{1}{G_2} \int_c^d f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, y\right) g_2(y)dy \right] \\ & \leq \frac{1}{G_1 G_2} \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) g_1(x) g_2(y) dy dx \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{G_1} \int_a^b g_1(x) f(x, c) dx + \frac{1}{G_1} \int_a^b g_1(x) f(x, d) dx \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{G_2} \int_c^d g_2(y) f(a, y) dy + \frac{1}{G_2} \int_c^d g_2(y) f(b, y) dy \right] \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4} [f(a, c) + f(a, d) + f(b, c) + f(b, d)], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$G_1 = \int_a^b g_1(x)dx \text{ and } G_2 = \int_c^d g_2(y)dy.$$

There in [12] some mappings connected to above inequality are also considered and their properties are discussed.

In [12] authors extended the definition of convex functions on coordinates to n -coordinates and gave the Hadamard's inequality for n -coordinates and related results. In this paper we give Fejér–Hadamard's inequality for convex functions on coordinates and show that results proved in [8, 12] are particular case of results in this paper.

2. Main results

For $n \geq 2$, let a_i, b_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) be real numbers such that $a_i < b_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. We consider an n -dimensional interval Δ^n defined as $\Delta^n = \prod_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i]$. In [12] the definition of a convex function on n -coordinates is given as follows:

Definition 2.1. Let $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \Delta^n$. A mapping $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called convex on n -coordinates if the functions $f_{x_n}^i$, where $f_{x_n}^i(t) := f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, t, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$, are convex on $[a_i, b_i]$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Recall that a mapping $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex in Δ^n if for $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \Delta^n$ and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, the following inequality holds:

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{x} + (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{y}) \leq \alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + (1 - \alpha) f(\mathbf{y}).$$

It can be seen that every convex mapping $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex on the n -coordinates but converse is not true.

Let $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be convex in Δ^n . Consider $f_{x_n}^i : [a_i, b_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, defined by

$$f_{x_n}^i(t) = f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, t, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n), \quad t \in [a_i, b_i].$$

Now for $x, y \in [a_i, b_i]$ and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$,

$$\begin{aligned} & f_{x_n}^i(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \\ &= f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, \alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) \\ &= f(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_1, \dots, \alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y, \dots, \alpha x_n + (1 - \alpha)x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) + (1 - \alpha) f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, y, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) \\ &= \alpha f_{x_n}^i(x) + (1 - \alpha) f_{x_n}^i(y), \end{aligned}$$

which implies $f_{x_n}^i$ is convex on $[a_i, b_i]$, that is, f is convex on n -coordinates. For converse we give the following counter example:

Example 2.2. Let us consider a mapping $f : [0, 1]^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdots x_n.$$

It is convex on n -coordinates as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & f_{x_n}^i(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \\ &= x_1 \cdots x_{i-1} \cdot (\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y) \cdot x_{i+1} \cdots x_n \\ &= \alpha(x_1 \cdots x_{i-1} \cdot x \cdot x_{i+1} \cdots x_n) + (1 - \alpha)(x_1 \cdots x_{i-1} \cdot y \cdot x_{i+1} \cdots x_n) \\ &= \alpha f_{x_n}^i(x) + (1 - \alpha) f_{x_n}^i(y). \end{aligned}$$

But for $\mathbf{x} = (1, 1, \dots, 1, 0)$, $\mathbf{y} = (0, 1, 1, \dots, 1) \in [0, 1]^n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha \mathbf{x} + (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{y}) &= f(\alpha, 1, 1, \dots, 1 - \alpha) \\ &= \alpha(1 - \alpha) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + (1 - \alpha) f(\mathbf{y}) = \alpha \cdot 0 + (1 - \alpha) \cdot 0 = 0.$$

This gives

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{x} + (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{y}) > \alpha f(\mathbf{x}) + (1 - \alpha)f(\mathbf{y}) \quad \text{for all } \alpha \in (0, 1),$$

that is, f is not convex on $[0, 1]^n$.

It is interesting to note that if $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex mapping on n -coordinates, then $f_{x_n}^i : [a_i, b_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex function on $[a_i, b_i]$ for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Also if $g_i : [a_i, b_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a symmetric function about $\frac{a_i+b_i}{2}$, then from Fejér–Hadamard's inequality, we have

$$f_{x_n}^i \left(\frac{a_i + b_i}{2} \right) \leq \frac{1}{G_i} \int_{a_i}^{b_i} f_{x_n}^i(x_i) g(x_i) dx_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

where

$$G_i = \int_{a_i}^{b_i} g_i(x_i) dx_i.$$

This gives us

$$(4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n f_{x_n}^k \left(\frac{a_k + b_k}{2} \right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} f_{x_n}^k(x_k) g_k(x_k) dx_k.$$

Theorem 2.3. *Let $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \Delta^n$ and $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex mapping on n -coordinates. Also, let $g_i : [a_i, b_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable and symmetric function about $\frac{a_i+b_i}{2}$ for each $i = 1, \dots, n$. Then we have*

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} f_{x_n}^{k+1} \left(\frac{a_{k+1} + b_{k+1}}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) dx_k \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(\mathbf{x}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} (f_{x_n}^{k+1}(a_{k+1}) + f_{x_n}^{k+1}(b_{k+1})) g_k(x_k) dx_k \right], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$G_k = \int_{a_k}^{b_k} g_k(x_k) dx_k,$$

and with $n + 1 \mapsto 1$. These inequalities are sharp.

Proof. By applying the Fejér–Hadamard's inequality for convex function $f_{x_n}^{k+1}$ on interval $[a_{k+1}, b_{k+1}]$ we have

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} f_{x_n}^{k+1} \left(\frac{a_{k+1} + b_{k+1}}{2} \right) G_{k+1} & \leq \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{x_n}^{k+1}(x_{k+1}) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{f_{x_n}^{k+1}(a_{k+1}) + f_{x_n}^{k+1}(b_{k+1})}{2} \right) G_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying (6) by $g_k(x_k)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_{x_n}^{k+1} \left(\frac{a_{k+1} + b_{k+1}}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) G_{k+1} &\leq \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{x_n}^{k+1}(x_{k+1}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{f_{x_n}^{k+1}(a_{k+1}) + f_{x_n}^{k+1}(b_{k+1})}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) G_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now by integrating on $[a_k, b_k]$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} &G_{k+1} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} f_{x_n}^{k+1} \left(\frac{a_{k+1} + b_{k+1}}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) dx_k \\ &\leq \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{x_n}^{k+1}(x_{k+1}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &\leq G_{k+1} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} \left(\frac{f_{x_n}^{k+1}(a_{k+1}) + f_{x_n}^{k+1}(b_{k+1})}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) dx_k. \end{aligned}$$

As $G_k > 0, G_{k+1} > 0$, then divide by $G_k G_{k+1}$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} f_{x_n}^{k+1} \left(\frac{a_{k+1} + b_{k+1}}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) dx_k \\ &\leq \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{x_n}^{k+1}(x_{k+1}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &\leq \frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} \left(\frac{f_{x_n}^{k+1}(a_{k+1}) + f_{x_n}^{k+1}(b_{k+1})}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) dx_k. \end{aligned}$$

Taking summation from 1 to n we get (5).

If we consider $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1 \cdots x_n$, then inequalities in (5) become equality, which shows these are sharp. \square

Theorem 2.4. Let $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \Delta^n$ and $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex mapping on n -coordinates. Also, let $g_i : [a_i, b_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable and symmetric function about $\frac{a_i + b_i}{2}$ for each $i = 1, \dots, n$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (7) \quad &\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} (f_{a_n}^k(x_k) + f_{b_n}^k(x_k)) dx_k \\ &\leq \frac{n}{2} (f(\mathbf{a}) + f(\mathbf{b})) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n (f_{a_n}^k(b_k) + f_{b_n}^k(a_k)), \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$. The above inequality is sharp.

Proof. As $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex mapping on n -coordinates, therefore $f_{x_n}^i : [a_i, b_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex on $[a_i, b_i]$ for each $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$. From Fejér inequality

for each $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ we have,

$$(8) \quad \frac{1}{G_i} \int_{a_i}^{b_i} f_{a_n}^i(x_i) dx_i g_i(x_i) \leq \frac{f(\mathbf{a}) + f_{a_n}^i(b_i)}{2}$$

and

$$(9) \quad \frac{1}{G_i} \int_{a_i}^{b_i} f_{b_n}^i(x_i) dx_i g_i(x_i) \leq \frac{f_{b_n}^i(a_i) + f(\mathbf{b})}{2}.$$

Adding (8) and (9) we get,

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{G_i} \int_{a_i}^{b_i} (f_{a_n}^i(x_i) + f_{b_n}^i(x_i)) g_i(x_i) dx_i \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} (f(\mathbf{a}) + f(\mathbf{b})) + \frac{1}{2} (f_{a_n}^i(b_i) + f_{b_n}^i(a_i)), \end{aligned}$$

where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Taking sum from 1 to n we get (7).

If we consider $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = x_1 \cdots x_n$, then inequalities in (7) become equality, which shows these are sharp. \square

A special case of inequalities (4), (5), and (7) is stated in the following, which is main result of [12, Theorem 1].

Corollary 2.5. *Let $\Delta^2 = [a, b] \times [c, d]$ and $f : \Delta^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex mapping on 2-coordinates. Also, let $g_i : [a_i, b_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable and symmetric function about $\frac{a_i+b_i}{2}$ for each $i = 1, 2$. Then (3) is valid.*

Proof. By putting $n = 2$ in Theorem 2.3 and Theorem 2.4, and taking $a_1 = a$, $b_1 = b$, $a_2 = c$, and $b_2 = d$, we get the required result. \square

Remark 2.6. Further if we put $g_1(x) = 1$ and $g_2(x) = 1$, then we get main result of [8, Theorem 1].

3. Associated mappings

In this section we are interested to associate some mappings with the generalized Fejér–Hadamard inequality for a convex mapping on n -coordinates.

For $n \geq 2$, let $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$, $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ and A_i denotes arithmetic means of numbers a_i and b_i , that is,

$$A_i = A(a_i, b_i) = \frac{a_i + b_i}{2}.$$

Also for $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \Delta^n := \prod_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i]$ and $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n) \in [0, 1]^n$, we consider s_i be a point on a segment between x_i and A_i , that is,

$$s_i = t_i x_i + (1 - t_i) A_i.$$

For the mapping $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined in previous section, we can associate a mapping $\widehat{H} : [0; 1]^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by

$$\widehat{H}(\mathbf{t}) = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(\mathbf{s}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k,$$

where $\mathbf{s} = (s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n)$.

Consider $\widehat{H}_{t_n}^i : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, defined by

$$\widehat{H}_{t_n}^i(t) = \widehat{H}(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, t, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_n).$$

We can rewrite $\widehat{H}_{t_n}^i(t)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{H}_{t_n}^i(t) &= \widehat{H}(t_1, \dots, t_{i-1}, t, t_{i+1}, \dots, t_n) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}, tx_i + (1-t)A_i, s_{i+1}, \dots, s_n) \\ &\quad \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^i(tx_i + (1-t)A_i) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^i(\widehat{t}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k, \end{aligned}$$

where $\widehat{t} = tx_i + (1-t)A_i$. We will use this notation throughout the paper. We also need a following lemma given by Levin and Stečkin in [17, p. 200] to get desired results.

Lemma 3.1. *Let f be convex on $[a, b]$ and g be symmetric about $(a+b)/2$ and nonincreasing function on $[a, (a+b)/2]$. Then*

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \geq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \int_a^b g(x)dx.$$

Theorem 3.2. *Let $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex mapping on n -coordinates on Δ^n . Then the mapping \widehat{H} is convex on n -coordinates on $[0, 1]^n$. We also have*

$$(11) \quad \widehat{H}(\mathbf{t}) \geq \sum_{k=1}^n f(s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}, A_k, A_{k+1}, \dots, s_n)$$

and

$$(12) \quad \begin{aligned} \widehat{H}(\mathbf{t}) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t_k + t_{k+1}(1-t_k)}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, s_{k-1}, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, s_n) \\ &\quad \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^n (1-t_k)(1-t_{k+1})f(s_1, \dots, s_{k-1}, A_k, A_{k+1}, \dots, s_n),$$

with $n+1 \mapsto 1$.

Proof. Let $u, v \in [0, 1]$ and $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$ such that $\alpha + \beta = 1$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \widehat{H}_{t_n}^i(\alpha u + \beta v) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^i(\widehat{\alpha u + \beta v}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\alpha u + \beta v} &= (\alpha u + \beta v)x_i + (1 - \alpha u - \beta v)A_i \\ &= \alpha(ux_i + (1-u)A_i) + \beta(vx_i + (1-v)A_i) \\ &= \alpha \widehat{u} + \beta \widehat{v}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives us

$$\begin{aligned} & \widehat{H}_{t_n}^i(\alpha u + \beta v) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^i(\alpha \widehat{u} + \beta \widehat{v}) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k. \end{aligned}$$

Since given that $f_{s_n}^i$ is convex, therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \widehat{H}_{t_n}^i(\alpha u + \beta v) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} (\alpha f_{s_n}^i(\widehat{u}) + \beta f_{s_n}^i(\widehat{v})) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &= \alpha \widehat{H}_{s_n}^i(\widehat{u}) + \beta \widehat{H}_{s_n}^i(\widehat{v}). \end{aligned}$$

Which implies $\widehat{H}_{t_n}^i$ is convex, that is, \widehat{H} is convex on n -coordinates.

To prove inequality (11), we consider

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{H}(\mathbf{t}) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^i(s_i) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_{k+1}} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} \left[\frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} f_{s_n}^i(s_i) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_k \right] dx_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Since f is convex on the k th coordinate and $\frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} g_k(x_k) dx_k = 1$, we apply Jensen's inequality for integrals on k th coordinate to get

$$\begin{aligned} & H(\mathbf{t}) \\ &\geq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_{k+1}} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} \left[f_{s_n}^k \left(\frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} (s_i) g_k(x_k) dx_k \right) \right] g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now it follows from Lemma 3.1, that

$$\widehat{H}(t) \geq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_{k+1}} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^k \left(\frac{a_k + b_k}{2} \right) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1}.$$

Now using convexity of f on $(k+1)$ th coordinate. Again applying Jensen’s inequality and Lemma 3.1 on $(k+1)$ th coordinate we get inequality in (11).

Now to prove inequality (12), we first use convexity of f on k th coordinate, then on $(k+1)$ th coordinate, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (13) \quad & \widehat{H}(t) \\ & \leq \frac{t_k}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^k(x_k) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ & \quad + \frac{1-t_k}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f_{s_n}^k \left(\frac{a_k + b_k}{2} \right) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ & \leq \frac{t_k t_{k+1}}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}, x_k, x_{k+1}, s_{k+2}, \dots, s_n) \\ & \quad \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ & \quad + \frac{t_k(1-t_{k+1})}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} f(s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}, x_k, \frac{a_{k+1} + b_{k+1}}{2}, s_{k+2}, \dots, s_n) g_k(x_k) dx_k \\ & \quad + \frac{t_{k+1}(1-t_k)}{G_{k+1}} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}, A_k, x_{k+1}, s_{k+2}, \dots, s_n) g_k(x_k) dx_k \\ & \quad + \frac{(1-t_k)(1-t_{k+1})}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, s_{k-1}, A_k, A_{k+1}, s_{k+2}, \dots, s_n) \\ & \quad \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k. \end{aligned}$$

Now by (4), we can have

$$\begin{aligned} (14) \quad & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_{k+1}} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, A_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, s_n) g_k(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, s_n) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \end{aligned}$$

and from the first inequality in Theorem 2.3

$$(15) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} f(s_1, \dots, x_k, A_{k+1}, \dots, s_n) g_k(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1}$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, s_n) g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k.$$

Now using the inequalities (14) and (15) in (13) we get (12). \square

The particular case of above theorem is the following result, which is Theorem 2.4 given in [12].

Corollary 3.3. *Let $f : \Delta^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex function on 2-coordinates. Then the mapping \widehat{H} , defined as*

$$\widehat{H}(t, s) = \frac{1}{G_1 G_2} \int_a^b \int_c^d f\left(tx + (1-t)\frac{a+b}{2}, sy + (1-s)\frac{c+d}{2}\right) g_1(x) g_2(y) dy dx,$$

is convex on the coordinates on $[0, 1]^2$. Further if g_1 is nonincreasing on $[a, (a+b)/2]$ and g_2 is nonincreasing on $[c, (c+d)/2]$, then

$$\inf_{(t,s) \in [0,1]^2} \widehat{H}(t, s) = f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) = \widehat{H}(0, 0)$$

and

$$\sup_{(t,s) \in [0,1]^2} \widehat{H}(t, s) = \frac{1}{G_1 G_2} \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) g_1(x) g_2(y) dy dx = \widehat{H}(1, 1).$$

Proof. By putting $n = 2$ in Theorem 3.2, we get required result. \square

Remark 3.4. Further if we take $g_1(x) = 1$ and $g_2(x) = 1$, then we get Theorem 2 in [8].

Theorem 3.5. *Let $f : \Delta^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex mapping on Δ^n . Then the mapping \widehat{H} is convex on $[0, 1]^n$. Also the mapping $\widehat{h} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, defined by $\widehat{h}(t) = \widehat{H}(t, \dots, t)$ is convex and one has the bounds*

$$(16) \quad \widehat{h}(t) \geq \sum_{k=1}^n f(s_1, \dots, s_{i-1}, A_k, A_{k+1}, \dots, s_n)$$

and

$$(17) \quad \begin{aligned} \widehat{h}(t) \leq & \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{t(2-t)}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(s_1, \dots, s_{k-1}, x_k, x_{k+1}, \dots, s_n) \\ & \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ & + \sum_{k=1}^n (1-t)^2 f(s_1, \dots, s_{k-1}, A_k, A_{k+1}, \dots, s_n). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in [0, 1]^n$ and $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$ such that $\alpha + \beta = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{H}(\alpha \mathbf{u} + \beta \mathbf{v}) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f\left(\alpha \widehat{u_1} + \beta \widehat{v_1}, \dots, \alpha \widehat{u_n} + \beta \widehat{v_n}\right) \\ & \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k. \end{aligned}$$

For each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\alpha u_i + \beta v_i} &= (\alpha u_i + \beta v_i)x_i + (1 - \alpha u_i - \beta v_i)A_i \\ &= \alpha(u_i x_i + (1 - u_i)A_i) + \beta(v_i x_i + (1 - v_i)A_i) \\ &= \alpha \widehat{u}_i + \beta \widehat{v}_i.\end{aligned}$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned}H(\alpha \mathbf{u} + \beta \mathbf{v}) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} f(\alpha \widehat{u}_1 + \beta \widehat{v}_1, \dots, \alpha \widehat{u}_n + \beta \widehat{v}_n) \\ &\quad \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{G_k G_{k+1}} \int_{a_k}^{b_k} \int_{a_{k+1}}^{b_{k+1}} (\alpha f(\widehat{u}_1, \dots, \widehat{u}_n) + \beta f(\widehat{v}_1, \dots, \widehat{v}_n)) \\ &\quad \times g_k(x_k) g_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) dx_{k+1} dx_k \\ &= \alpha H(\mathbf{u}) + \beta H(\mathbf{v}).\end{aligned}$$

This shows that \widehat{H} is convex on $[0, 1]^n$. Similar to above, we can show that \widehat{h} is convex on $[0, 1]$ and using bounds of mapping \widehat{H} in Theorem 3.2 we can get bounds of mapping \widehat{h} . \square

The particular case of above theorem is the following result, which is Theorem 2.6 in [12].

Corollary 3.6. *Suppose that $f : \Delta^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex mapping on 2-coordinates. Let $\widehat{h} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the mapping defined as $\widehat{h}(t) = \widehat{H}(t, t)$, then \widehat{h} is convex on coordinates on Δ . Also if g_1 is nonincreasing on $[a, (a+b)/2]$ and g_2 is nonincreasing on $[c, (c+d)/2]$, then*

$$\inf_{t \in [0, 1]} \widehat{h}(t) = f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) = \widehat{H}(0, 0)$$

and

$$\sup_{t \in [0, 1]} h_{g_1 g_2}(t) = \frac{1}{G_1 G_2} \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) g_1(x) g_2(y) dy dx = H_{g_1 g_2}(1, 1).$$

Proof. By putting $n = 2$ in Theorem (3.5), we get (3.6). \square

Remark 3.7. Further if we take $g_1(x) = 1$ and $g_2(x) = 1$, then we obtain Theorem 3 in [8].

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