



## TWO NEW MAPPINGS ASSOCIATED WITH INEQUALITIES OF HADAMARD-TYPE FOR CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we define two mappings associated with the Hadamard inequality, investigate their main properties and give some refinements.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $f, -g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  both be continuous functions. If  $f$  is a convex function, then we have

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

The inequality (1.1) is well known as the Hadamard inequality (see [1] – [6]). For some recent results which generalize, improve, and extend this classical inequality, see the references of [3].

When  $f, -g$  both are convex functions satisfying  $\int_a^b g(x) dx > 0$  and  $f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \geq 0$ , S.-J. Yang in [7] generalized (1.1) as

$$(1.2) \quad \frac{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(t) dt}{\int_a^b g(t) dt}.$$

To go further in exploring (1.2), we define two mappings  $L$  and  $F$  by  $L : [a, b] \times [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$L(x, y; f, g) = \left[ \int_x^y f(t) dt - (y-x)f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \right] \left[ (y-x)g\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) - \int_x^y g(t) dt \right]$$

and  $F : [a, b] \times [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$F(x, y; f, g) = g\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \int_x^y f(t) dt - f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \int_x^y g(t) dt.$$

The aim of this paper is to study the properties of  $L$  and  $F$  and obtain some new refinements of (1.2).

To prove the theorems of this paper we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.1.** *Let  $f$  be a convex function on  $[a, b]$ . The mapping  $H$  is defined as*

$$H(x, y; f) = \int_x^y f(t)dt - (y - x)f\left(\frac{x + y}{2}\right).$$

*Then  $H(a, y; f)$  is nonnegative and monotonically increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$  (see [8]),  $H(x, b; f)$  is nonnegative and monotonically decreasing with  $x$  on  $[a, b]$  (see [9]).*

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

The properties of  $L$  are embodied in the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $f$  and  $-g$  both be convex functions on  $[a, b]$ . Then we have:*

- (1)  $L(a, y; f, g)$  is nonnegative increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ ,  $L(x, b; f, g)$  is nonnegative decreasing with  $x$  on  $[a, b]$ .
- (2) When  $\int_a^b g(x)dx > 0$  and  $f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \geq 0$ , for any  $x, y \in (a, b)$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $\beta \geq 0$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ , we have the following refinement of (1.2)

$$\begin{aligned} (2.1) \quad \frac{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} &\leq \frac{(b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{2\int_a^b g(t)dt} + \frac{\int_a^b f(t)dt}{2(b-a)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{2\int_a^b g(t)dt} + \frac{\int_a^b f(t)dt}{2(b-a)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} + \frac{\alpha L(a, y; f, g) + \beta L(x, b; f, g)}{2(b-a)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt} \\ &\leq \frac{\int_a^b f(t)dt}{2\int_a^b g(t)dt} + \frac{2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{2g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(t)dt}{\int_a^b g(t)dt}. \end{aligned}$$

The main properties of  $F$  are given in the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $f$  and  $-g$  both be nonnegative convex functions on  $[a, b]$  satisfying  $\int_a^b g(x)dx > 0$ . Then we have the following two results:*

- (1) *If  $f$  and  $-g$  both are increasing, then  $F(a, y; f, g)$  is nonnegative increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ , and we have the following refinement of (1.2)*

$$(2.2) \quad \frac{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} \leq \frac{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} + \frac{F(a, y; f, g)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt} \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(t)dt}{\int_a^b g(t)dt},$$

where  $y \in (a, b)$ .

- (2) *If  $f$  and  $-g$  both are decreasing, then  $F(x, b; f, g)$  is nonnegative decreasing with  $x$  on  $[a, b]$ , and we have the following refinement of (1.2)*

$$(2.3) \quad \frac{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} \leq \frac{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)} + \frac{F(x, b; f, g)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt} \leq \frac{\int_a^b f(t)dt}{\int_a^b g(t)dt},$$

where  $x \in (a, b)$ .

### 3. PROOF OF THEOREMS

*Proof of Theorem 2.1.*

(1) By Lemma 1.1 and the convexity of  $f$  and  $-g$ , it is obvious that  $H(a, y; f)$  and  $H(a, y; -g)$  both are nonnegative increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ . Then  $L(a, y; f, g) = H(a, y; f)H(a, y; -g)$  is nonnegative increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ . By the same arguments of proof for  $L(a, y; f, g)$ , we can also prove that  $L(x, b; f, g)$  is nonnegative decreasing with  $x$  on  $[a, b]$ .

(2) Since  $H(a, y; f)$  is monotonically increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ , for any  $y \in (a, b)$  and  $\alpha \geq 0$ , we have

$$(3.1) \quad 0 = \alpha L(a, a; f, g) \leq \alpha L(a, y; f, g) \leq \alpha L(a, b; f, g).$$

As  $H(x, b; f)$  is monotonically decreasing with  $x$  on  $[a, b]$ , for any  $x \in (a, b)$  and  $\beta \geq 0$ , we have

$$(3.2) \quad 0 = \beta L(a, a; f, g) \leq \beta L(x, b; f, g) \leq \beta L(a, b; f, g).$$

When  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ , expression (3.1) plus (3.2) yields

$$(3.3) \quad 0 = L(a, a; f, g) \leq \alpha L(a, y; f, g) + \beta L(x, b; f, g) \leq L(a, b; f, g).$$

Expression (3.3) plus

$$(b - a)^2 f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) g\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) + \int_a^b f(t) dt \int_a^b g(t) dt$$

yields

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} & (b - a)^2 f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) g\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) + \int_a^b f(t) dt \int_a^b g(t) dt \\ & \leq (b - a)^2 f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) g\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) + \int_a^b f(t) dt \int_a^b g(t) dt \\ & \quad + \alpha L(a, y; f, g) + \beta L(x, b; f, g) \\ & \leq (b - a) g\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f(t) dt + (b - a) f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

By the convexity of  $f$  and  $g$ ,  $\int_a^b g(x) dx > 0$ ,  $f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \geq 0$  and (1.1), we get

$$(3.5) \quad (b - a) g\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \geq \int_a^b g(t) dt > 0, \quad \int_a^b f(t) dt \geq (b - a) f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \geq 0.$$

Using (3.5), we obtain

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & (b - a)^2 f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) g\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) + \int_a^b f(t) dt \int_a^b g(t) dt \\ & \geq (b - a) f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(t) dt + (b - a) f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(t) dt \\ & = 2(b - a) f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(t) dt \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(3.7) \quad (b-a)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b f(t)dt + (b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt \\ \leq 2(b-a)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b f(t)dt.$$

Combining (3.4), (3.6) and (3.7), and dividing the combined formula by

$$2(b-a)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt$$

yields (2.1).

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 2.2.*

(1) By Lemma 1.1 and the convexity of  $f$  and  $-g$ , we can see that  $H(a, y; f)$  and  $H(a, y; -g)$  both are nonnegative increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ . From the nonnegative increasing properties of  $f$  and  $g$ , we get that

$$\begin{aligned} F(a, y; f, g) &= g\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right)\int_a^y f(t)dt - f\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right)\int_a^y g(t)dt \\ &= g\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right)\left(\int_a^y f(t)dt - (y-a)f\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right)\right) \\ &\quad + f\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right)\left(\int_a^y g(t)dt - (y-a)g\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right)\right) \\ &= g\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right) \cdot H(a, y; f) + f\left(\frac{a+y}{2}\right) \cdot H(a, y; -g) \end{aligned}$$

is nonnegative increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ .

Since  $F(a, y; f, g)$  is monotonically increasing with  $y$  on  $[a, b]$ , for any  $y \in (a, b)$ , we have

$$(3.8) \quad 0 = F(a, a; f, g) \leq F(a, y; f, g) \leq F(a, b; f, g).$$

Expression (3.8) plus

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt$$

yields

$$(3.9) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt \leq f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt + F(a, y; f, g) \\ \leq f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt + F(a, b; f, g) \\ = g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b f(t)dt.$$

Expression (3.9) divided by

$$g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(t)dt$$

yields (2.2).

(2) By Lemma 1.1 and the convexity of  $f$  and  $-g$ , we can see that  $H(x, b; f)$  and  $H(x, b; -g)$  are both nonnegative decreasing with  $x$  on  $[a, b]$ . Further, from the nonnegative decreasing properties of  $f$  and  $g$ , we obtain that

$$F(x, b; f, g) = g \left( \frac{x+b}{2} \right) \cdot H(x, b; f) + f \left( \frac{x+b}{2} \right) \cdot H(x, b; -g)$$

is nonnegative decreasing with  $x$  on  $[a, b]$ .

For any  $x \in (a, b)$ , then

$$(3.10) \quad 0 = F(a, a; f, g) \leq F(x, b; f, g) \leq F(a, b; f, g).$$

Using (3.10), by the same arguments of proof for (1) of Theorem 2.2, we can also prove that (2.3) is true.

This completes the proof of Theorem 2.2. □

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