



# Hermite-Hadamard Type Inequalities for $g$ -GA-Convex Dominated Functions

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**Abstract** In this paper, the author introduces the concept of  $g$ -GA-convex dominated function and gives a version of Hermite-Hadamard-type inequalities for  $g$ -GA-convex dominated functions. Applications are also given involving a functional and some common means.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let real function  $f$  be defined on some nonempty interval  $I$  of real line  $\mathbb{R}$ . The function  $f$  is said to be convex on  $I$  if inequality

$$f(tx + (1-t)y) \leq tf(x) + (1-t)f(y) \quad (1.1)$$

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

It is general knowledge that if  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a convex function and  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ , then

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

This inequality is well known in the literature as Hermite-Hadamard's inequality for convex functions. For various some results in recent years based on integral inequalities, you may see the papers [1–3].

The following definitions and results are well known in the literature.

**Definition 1.1** ([4, 5]). A function  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is said to be GA-convex (geometric-arithmetically convex) if

$$f(x^t y^{1-t}) \leq tf(x) + (1-t)f(y)$$

for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

The following proposition is obvious from definition.

**Proposition 1.2.** *The function  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is GA-convex if and only if  $f \circ \exp$  is convex on the interval  $\ln I = \{\ln x : x \in I\}$ .*

As a result of Proposition 1.2, we can give an analogous of Hermite-Hadamard's inequality for GA-convex functions as follows:

If  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a GA-convex function and  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ , then

$$f(\sqrt{ab}) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}. \quad (1.2)$$

For GA-convex (concave) function, R.A. Satnoianu [6] obtained the following result.

**Lemma 1.3.** *If  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is a twice differentiable function, then  $f$  is a GA-convex (concave) function in  $I$  if and only if  $xf'(x) + x^2f''(x) \geq (\leq) 0$  for all  $x \in I$ .*

**Definition 1.4** ([1]). Let  $g : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a given convex function. The function  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called  $g$ -convex dominated on  $I$  if

$$\begin{aligned} & |tf(x) + (1-t)f(y) - f(tx + (1-t)y)| \\ & \leq tg(x) + (1-t)g(y) - g(tx + (1-t)y) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

For a mapping  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $f \in L[a, b]$ , we can define the mapping  $H_f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$H_f(t) := \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f\left(tx + (1-t)\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right) dx.$$

The following theorem contains some results of this type for convex-dominated functions:

**Theorem 1.5** ([7]). *Let  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a  $g$ -convex dominated on  $[a, b]$ . Then*

(i)  $H_f$  is  $H_g$ -convex dominated on  $[0, 1]$ .

(ii) One has the inequalities

$$0 \leq |H_f(t_2) - H_f(t_1)| \leq H_g(t_2) - H_g(t_1)$$

for all  $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq 1$ .

(iii) One has the inequalities

$$0 \leq \left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - H_f(t) \right| \leq H_g(t) - g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$$

and

$$0 \leq \left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx - H_f(t) \right| \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(x) dx - H_g(t)$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

## 2. $g$ -GA-CONVEX DOMINATED FUNCTIONS

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $g : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a given GA-convex function. The function  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $I$  if

$$\begin{aligned} & |tf(x) + (1 - t)f(y) - f(x^t y^{1-t})| \\ & \leq tg(x) + (1 - t)g(y) - g(x^t y^{1-t}) \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

The class of  $g$ -GA-convex dominated functions on an interval  $I$  is manifestly nonempty. If  $g$  is GA-convex function on  $I \subseteq (0, \infty)$  and  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $f(x) := x$ , then  $f$  and  $g$  are both  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $I$ . Indeed there are GA-concave functions which are  $g$ -GA-convex dominated (for example  $-g$ ).

The following proposition is obvious from definition.

**Proposition 2.2.** Let  $g : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a given GA-convex function. The function  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $I$  if and only if  $f \circ \exp$  is  $g \circ \exp$ -convex dominated on the interval  $\ln I = \{\ln x : x \in I\}$ .

The next simple characterization of  $g$ -GA-convex dominated functions holds.

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $g : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a GA-convex function and  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a real function. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (1)  $f$  is  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $I$ .
- (2) The mappings  $g - f$  and  $g + f$  are GA-convex on  $I$ .
- (3) There exist two GA-convex dominated  $\varphi, \psi$  defined on  $I$  such that

$$f = \frac{1}{2}(\varphi - \psi) \text{ and } g = \frac{1}{2}(\varphi + \psi).$$

*Proof.*  $1 \iff 2$  : The condition (2.1) is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & g(x^t y^{1-t}) - tg(x) - (1 - t)g(y) \\ & \leq tf(x) + (1 - t)f(y) - f(x^t y^{1-t}) \\ & \leq tg(x) + (1 - t)g(y) - g(x^t y^{1-t}) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in I$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . The two inequalities may be rearranged as

$$(g + f)(x^t y^{1-t}) \leq t(g + f)(x) + (1 - t)(g + f)(y)$$

and

$$(g - f)(x^t y^{1-t}) \leq t(g - f)(x) + (1 - t)(g - f)(y)$$

which are equivalent to the GA-convexity of  $g + f$  and  $g - f$ , respectively.

$2 \iff 3$  : Let we define the mappings  $f, g$  as  $f = \frac{1}{2}(\varphi - \psi)$  and  $g = \frac{1}{2}(\varphi + \psi)$ . Then if we sum and subtract  $f$  and  $g$ , respectively, we have  $g + f = \varphi$  and  $g - f = \psi$ . By the condition 2 in Lemma 2.3, the mappings  $g + f$  and  $g - f$  are GA-convex on  $I$ , so,  $\varphi, \psi$  are GA-convex on  $I$ , also. ■

**Proposition 2.4.** Suppose  $f'', g''$  exist and satisfy

$$|xf'(x) + x^2 f''(x)| \leq xg'(x) + x^2 g''(x)$$

on an interval  $I$ . Then  $f$  is  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $I$ .

*Proof.* By the given condition

$$xg'(x) + x^2g''(x), x(g-f)'(x) + x^2(g-f)''(x), x(g+f)'(x) + x^2(g+f)''(x)$$

are all nonnegative on  $I$ , so  $g, g-f, g+f$  are all GA-convex on  $I$  by Lemma 1.3, whence the stated result follows by Lemma 2.3. ■

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $g : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a GA-convex function and the function  $f : I \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $I$ . Then for all  $a, b \in I$  with  $a < b$ ,*

$$\left| f(\sqrt{xy}) - \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \right| \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{g(x)}{x} dx - g(\sqrt{xy})$$

and

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

*Proof.* Since  $f$  is a  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $I$ , we have by Lemma 2.3 that  $g+f$  and  $g-f$  are GA-convex on  $I$ , and so by the Hermite-Hadamard inequality (1.2)

$$(f+g)(\sqrt{xy}) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{(f+g)(x)}{x} dx \leq \frac{(f+g)(a) + (f+g)(b)}{2}$$

and

$$(g-f)(\sqrt{xy}) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{(g-f)(x)}{x} dx \leq \frac{(g-f)(a) + (g-f)(b)}{2},$$

which are equivalent to desired inequalities. ■

### 3. MEANS

For a pair  $x, y$  of positive numbers, we define the the arithmetic, geometric and logarithmic means by

$$A(x, y) := \frac{x+y}{2}, G(x, y) := \sqrt{xy} \text{ and } L(x, y) := \frac{y-x}{\ln y - \ln x}$$

respectively. We now give several corollaries that provide examples of GA-convex dominated functions.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Suppose  $[a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty)$  and  $p \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a twice differentiable mapping such that  $|xf'(x) + x^2f''(x)| \leq Mx^p$  ( $M > 0$ ) for  $x \in [a, b]$ . Then*

$$\left| f(\sqrt{xy}) - \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \right| \leq \frac{M}{p^2} [L(a^p, b^p) - G^p(a, b)]$$

and

$$\left| \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \right| \leq \frac{M}{p^2} [A(a^p, b^p) - L(a^p, b^p)].$$

*Proof.* Define the mapping  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$g(x) = \frac{Mx^p}{p^2}.$$

Then

$$|xf'(x) + x^2 f''(x)| \leq Mx^p$$

on  $[a, b]$ . The stated results follow from Proposition 2.4 and Theorem 2.5. ■

In particular we derive the following in the case  $p = 0$ .

#### 4. FUNCTIONALS

If  $f : [a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $f \in L[a, b]$ , we define the induced mapping  $I_f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$I_f(t) := \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x^t(\sqrt{ab})^{1-t})}{x} dx.$$

The following theorem holds.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a GA-convex function and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $[a, b]$ . Then*

(i)  $I_f$  is  $I_g$ -convex dominated on  $[0, 1]$ .

(ii) One has the inequalities

$$0 \leq |I_f(t_2) - I_f(t_1)| \leq I_g(t_2) - I_g(t_1)$$

for all  $0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq 1$ .

(iii) One has the inequalities

$$0 \leq \left| f(\sqrt{ab}) - I_f(t) \right| \leq I_g(t) - g(\sqrt{ab})$$

and

$$0 \leq \left| \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx - I_f(t) \right| \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{g(x)}{x} dx - I_g(t)$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

*Proof.* Since  $g$  is GA-convex on  $[a, b]$  and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a  $g$ -GA-convex dominated on  $[a, b]$ , by Proposition 2.2  $f \circ \exp$  is  $g \circ \exp$ -convex dominated on the interval  $\ln I$ . Then the function  $H_f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} H_{f \circ \exp}(t) & : = \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b (f \circ \exp) \left( t \ln x + (1-t) \left( \frac{\ln a + \ln b}{2} \right) \right) d \ln x \\ & = I_f(t) \end{aligned}$$

holds Theorem 1.5. Thus desired results are obtained from Theorem 1.5. We shall omit the details. ■

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