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Sharp trapezoid and mid-point type inequalities on closed balls in \mathbb{R}^3

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Abstract

This paper deals with some trapezoid and mid-point type inequalities on closed balls in \mathbb{R}^3 . Three kinds of functions are considered: convex, Lipschitz, and bounded functions. The spherical coordinates are used to obtain sharp inequalities. Also a reverse result is given for the right-hand side of Hermite–Hadamard’s inequality obtained on closed balls in \mathbb{R}^3 .

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1 Introduction and preliminaries

Consider the closed ball $\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)$ in the space \mathbb{R}^3 with center $\mathcal{C} = (a, b, c) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and radius $R > 0$ defined as

$$\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 + (z - c)^2 \leq R^2\}.$$

Also consider $\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)$ as the boundary (the surface) of $\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)$, i.e.,

$$\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid (x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 + (z - c)^2 = R^2\}.$$

The following result has been proved in [1], which is the Hermite–Hadamard’s inequality for convex functions defined on closed ball $\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)$.

Theorem 1.1 *Let $f : \bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex mapping on the ball $\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)$. Then we have the inequality*

$$f(\mathcal{C}) \leq \frac{1}{v(\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R))} \iiint_{\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, dx \, dy \, dz \leq \frac{1}{\sigma(\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R))} \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma, \quad (1)$$

where $v(\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)) = \frac{4\pi R^3}{3}$ and $\sigma(\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)) = \frac{1}{4\pi R^2}$.

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The main purpose of this paper is estimating two bounds \mathcal{B}_1 and \mathcal{B}_2 such that

$$\left| \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x,y,z) dV - f(C) \right| \leq \mathcal{B}_1, \tag{2}$$

and

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x,y,z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x,y,z) dV \right| \leq \mathcal{B}_2. \tag{3}$$

Depending on the properties of the function f and the radius R , different values will be obtained for \mathcal{B}_1 and \mathcal{B}_2 .

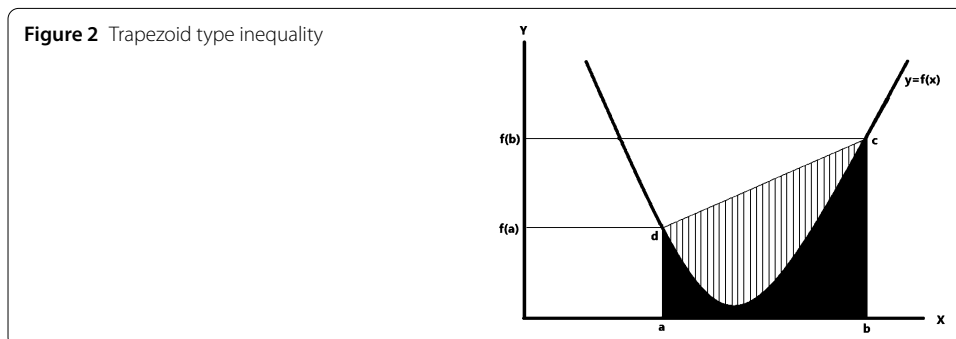
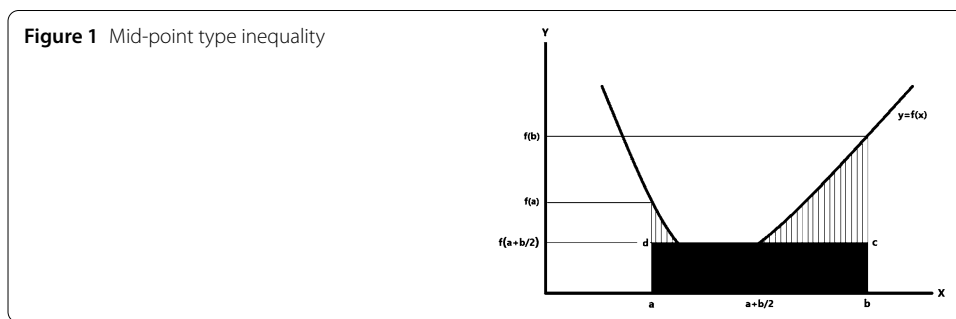
We call (2) a *mid-point type inequality* due to the following result obtained in [2] and interpretation of Fig. 1.

Theorem 1.2 *Let $f : I^\circ \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then we have*

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx - (b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{8}(b-a)^2(|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|). \tag{4}$$

According to (4), we have an estimate for the difference between the area under the graph of f , i.e., $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, and the area of rectangle $abcd$, i.e., $(b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)$ (see Fig. 1).

Also we call (3) a *trapezoid type inequality* due to the following result and Fig. 2.



Theorem 1.3 ([3]) *Let $f : I^\circ \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° , $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $|f'|$ is convex on $[a, b]$, then the following inequality holds:*

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx - (b-a) \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{8} (b-a)^2 (|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|). \tag{5}$$

According to (5), we can estimate the difference between the area of trapezoid $abcd$, i.e., $(b-a) \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}$, and the area under the graph of f (see Fig. 2).

Note that to obtain (4) and (5), the absolute values of the derivative of f at boundary points of interval $[a, b]$ play a fundamental role. For more results about Hermite–Hadamard’s inequality, we refer an interested reader to [4–18] and the references therein.

Before presenting our main results, here we obtain a new representation of (1) and also give a reverse type theorem.

If we consider a convex function $f : \bar{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and the change of coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T} : \bar{D}((a, b), R) \times [0, 1] &\rightarrow \bar{B}(C, R), \\ \mathcal{T}(x, y, \lambda) &= (x, y, (2\lambda - 1)\sqrt{R^2 - x^2 - y^2}), \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

where $\bar{D}((a, b), R)$ is a closed disk centered at the point (a, b) having radius $R > 0$, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\iiint_{\bar{B}(C, R)} f(x, y, z) dV \\ &= 2 \int_{-R}^R \int_{-\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2-x^2}} \int_0^1 f((1-\lambda)(x, y, -\sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2}) + \lambda(x, y, \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2})) \\ &\quad \times \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2} d\lambda dy dx \\ &\leq 2 \int_{-R}^R \int_{-\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2-x^2}} \int_0^1 (1-\lambda) f(x, y, -\sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2}) \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2} d\lambda dy dx \\ &\quad + 2 \int_{-R}^R \int_{-\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2-x^2}} \int_0^1 \lambda f(x, y, \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2}) \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2} d\lambda dy dx \\ &= \int_{-R}^R \int_{-\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2-x^2}} f(x, y, -\sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2}) \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2} dy dx \\ &\quad + \int_{-R}^R \int_{-\sqrt{R^2-x^2}}^{\sqrt{R^2-x^2}} f(x, y, \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2}) \sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2} dy dx. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Choosing $z = \sqrt{R^2 - x^2 - y^2}$ in the latter integrals, the fact that $\sqrt{1 + (\frac{\partial z}{\partial x})^2 + (\frac{\partial z}{\partial y})^2} = \frac{R}{\sqrt{R^2-x^2-y^2}} = \frac{R}{z}$, and using the surface integral formula for $\sigma(C, R)$ imply that

$$\iiint_{\bar{B}(C, R)} f(x, y, z) dV \leq \frac{1}{R} \iint_{\sigma(C, R)} f(x, y, z) z^2 d\sigma. \tag{8}$$

Inequality (8) gives another representation for (1).

In a special case for a convex function $f : \bar{D}((a, b), R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we get

$$\iint_{\bar{D}((a, b), R)} f(x, y) dA \leq \frac{1}{R} \int_{\sigma((a, b), R)} f(x, y) y^2 d\sigma.$$

Now for a reverse type result, consider a continuous function f defined on a convex subset $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ such that (8) holds for all closed balls included in \mathcal{V} . Then f is convex on \mathcal{V} because otherwise there would exist $\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y} \in \mathcal{V}$ and $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$f(\lambda\mathcal{X} + (1 - \lambda)\mathcal{Y}) > \lambda f(\mathcal{X}) + (1 - \lambda)f(\mathcal{Y}). \tag{9}$$

Since f is continuous on \mathcal{V} , we can find $R > 0$ and a point $\mathcal{Z} = (\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c})$ in a convex combination of \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} such that (9) holds on the whole of $\bar{\mathcal{B}}((\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}), R) \subset \mathcal{V}$. So by the change of coordinates (6) and structure presented in (7) for $\bar{D}((\bar{a}, \bar{b}), R)$ and $\bar{\mathcal{B}}((\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}), R)$, we obtain that

$$\iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}((\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}), R)} f(x, y, z) dV > \frac{1}{R} \iint_{\sigma((\bar{a}, \bar{b}, \bar{c}), R)} f(x, y, z) z^2 d\sigma,$$

which is a contradiction and this proves the convexity of f on \mathcal{V} .

In the following sections we consider convex, Lipschitz, and bounded functions to obtain some trapezoid and mid-point type inequalities on a closed ball. We use the spherical coordinates in calculating the integrals.

2 Convex functions

In this section we obtain trapezoid and mid-point type inequalities for the case that the partial derivative absolute values of a considered function with respect to the radius in spherical coordinates is convex. We need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1 *For an integrable function $f : \bar{\mathcal{B}}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}(C, R)} f(x, y, z) dV \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \\ & \quad \times \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta, \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_{\sigma(C, R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) R^2 \sin \varphi d\varphi d\theta \\ &= \frac{3}{R} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \\ & \quad \times \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Proof Consider the spherical transformation

$$\begin{cases} x(\rho, \varphi, \theta) = a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, \\ y(\rho, \varphi, \theta) = b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, \\ z(\rho, \varphi, \theta) = c + \rho \cos \varphi, \end{cases} \quad \rho \in [0, R], \varphi \in [0, \pi], \theta \in [0, 2\pi].$$

It is obvious that the Jacobian of this transformation is $J = \rho^2 \sin \varphi$. So we have (10).

For (11), consider the curve $\eta : [0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by

$$\eta(\theta, \varphi) : \begin{cases} x(\varphi, \theta) = a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, \\ y(\varphi, \theta) = b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, \\ z(\varphi, \theta) = c + R \cos \varphi, \end{cases} \quad \varphi \in [0, \pi], \theta \in [0, 2\pi].$$

It is clear that $\eta([0, \pi] \times [0, 2\pi]) = \sigma(C, R)$ and then by integrating with respect to the surface (arc length) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma \\ &= \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(\eta) dl(\eta) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi f(x(\varphi, \theta), y(\varphi, \theta), z(\varphi, \theta)) \\ &\quad \times \left(\left[\frac{\partial x(\varphi, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\partial y(\varphi, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\partial z(\varphi, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right]^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\left[\frac{\partial x(\varphi, \theta)}{\partial \varphi} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\partial y(\varphi, \theta)}{\partial \varphi} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\partial z(\varphi, \theta)}{\partial \varphi} \right]^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} d\varphi d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) R^2 \sin \varphi d\varphi d\theta \\ &= \frac{3}{R} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

This proves (11). □

The following is a sharp trapezoid type inequality related to (1), where we consider a function with convex partial derivative (with respect to the radius ρ) absolute values defined on $\tilde{B}(C, R)$.

Theorem 2.2 For $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, suppose that $\tilde{B}(C, R) \subset \mathcal{V}^\circ$ where \mathcal{V}° is the interior of \mathcal{V} . Consider $f : \tilde{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which has continuous partial derivatives with respect to the variables ρ, φ , and θ on $\tilde{B}(C, R)$ in spherical coordinates. If $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}|$ is convex on $\tilde{B}(C, R)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\tilde{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) dV \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{16\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right|(x, y, z) d\sigma. \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Furthermore, inequality (12) is sharp.

Proof For fixed $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ and arbitrary $\rho \in [0, R]$, since

$$\left(\left[\frac{\partial x(\rho, \varphi, \theta)}{\partial \rho} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\partial y(\rho, \varphi, \theta)}{\partial \rho} \right]^2 + \left[\frac{\partial z(\rho, \varphi, \theta)}{\partial \rho} \right]^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 1,$$

by integration by parts we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^R \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} (a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^3 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \\ &= R^3 f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \\ & \quad - 3 \int_0^R f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi \, d\rho. \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

So integrating with respect to $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ in (13), along with (10) and (11) obtained in Lemma 2.1 and the convexity of $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}|$ on $\bar{B}(C, R)$, implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| R \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - 3 \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) \, dV \right| \\ & \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^3 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| \left(\left(1 - \frac{\rho}{R} \right) (a, b, c) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{\rho}{R} (a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \right) \\ & \quad \times \rho^3 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \rho^3 \left(1 - \frac{\rho}{R} \right) \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (a, b, c) \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & \quad + \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \frac{\rho^4}{R} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \\ & \quad \times \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & = \frac{\pi R^4}{5} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (a, b, c) + \frac{R^2}{5} \int \int_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

By considering the left-hand side of (1) for $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}|$ and applying it in (14), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| R \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - 3 \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) \, dV \right| \\ & \leq \frac{R^2}{20} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma + \frac{R^2}{5} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma \\ & = \frac{R^2}{4} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

By dividing (15) with $4\pi R^3$, we obtain the desired result (12).

To show the sharpness of (12), consider the function $f : \bar{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as

$$f(x, y, z) = R - \sqrt{(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 + (z - c)^2}.$$

Using spherical coordinates, we have $f(\rho, \varphi, \theta) = R - \rho$, for $\rho \in [0, R]$, $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$. With some calculations we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) dV \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R (R - \rho)\rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta = \frac{R}{4}, \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

and

$$\iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma = 0. \tag{17}$$

On the other hand, since $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}| = 1$,

$$\frac{1}{16\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) d\sigma = \frac{R}{4}.$$

From (16) and (17) we have the sharpness of (12). □

Now we obtain the midpoint type inequality related to (1), where the partial derivative absolute value of considered function defined on $\bar{B}(C, R)$ is convex.

Theorem 2.3 *Suppose that $\bar{B}(C, R) \subset \mathcal{V}^\circ$, where $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. Consider $f : \bar{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which has continuous partial derivatives with respect to the variables ρ, φ , and θ on $\bar{B}(C, R)$ in spherical coordinates. If $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}|$ is convex on $\bar{B}(C, R)$, then*

$$\left| \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) dV - f(C) \right| \leq \frac{5}{16\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) d\sigma. \tag{18}$$

Proof Similar to the proof of Theorem 2.2, for fixed $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^R \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} (a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \sin \varphi d\rho \\ &= f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \sin \varphi - f(C) \sin \varphi. \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Integration with respect to the variables $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ in (19) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} (a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma - 4\pi f(C). \end{aligned}$$

So from the convexity of $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}|$ we get

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma - f(C) \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left(1 - \frac{\rho}{R}\right) \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (C) \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \frac{\rho}{R} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \\
 &\quad \times \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\
 &= \frac{R}{2} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (C) + \frac{1}{8\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma. \tag{20}
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows from triangle inequality, (20), (12) and (1)(for $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}|$) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) \, dV - f(C) \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{16\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma + \frac{R}{2} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (C) + \frac{1}{8\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma \\
 &\leq \frac{3}{16\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma + \frac{1}{8\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma \\
 &= \frac{5}{16\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma,
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies the desired result. □

Corollary 2.4 ([17]) *Consider a set $I \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ with $D(C, R) \subset I^\circ$. Suppose that the mapping $f : D(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has continuous partial derivatives in the disk $D(C, R)$ with respect to the variables r and θ in polar coordinates. If for any constant $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$, the function $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial r}|$ is convex with respect to the variable r on $[0, R]$ then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{1}{2\pi R} \int_{\partial(C,R)} f(\gamma) \, dl(\gamma) - \frac{1}{\pi R^2} \iint_{D(C,R)} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy \right| \leq \frac{1}{6\pi} \int_{\partial(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right| (\gamma) \, dl(\gamma), \\
 &\left| \frac{1}{\pi R^2} \iint_{D(C,R)} f(x, y) \, dx \, dy - f(C) \right| \leq \frac{2}{3\pi} \int_{\partial(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right| (\gamma) \, dl(\gamma).
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.5 In the proof of Theorem 2.3, we can find the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - f(C) \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{R}{2} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (C) + \frac{1}{8\pi R} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right| (x, y, z) \, d\sigma. \tag{21}
 \end{aligned}$$

Although (18) is not sharp, if we consider $f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ for $x, y, z \in \bar{B}(C, R)$, we will find that inequality (21) is sharp.

Remark 2.6 If we drop out the convexity condition of $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}|$ in Theorems 2.2, 2.3, and consider the condition

$$\left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right\|_{\infty \bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)} = \sup_{w \in \bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)} |f(w)| < \infty,$$

instead of that, then we get the following Ostrowski type inequalities (see [19, 20]) on a closed ball:

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) dV \right| \leq \frac{R \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right\|_{\infty \bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)}}{4},$$

and

$$\left| \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) dV - f(\mathcal{C}) \right| \leq R \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right\|_{\infty \bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)}.$$

3 Lipschitz functions

In this section we consider Lipschitz functions with respect to the Euclidian norm to obtain some trapezoid and mid-point type inequalities on $\bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)$.

Definition 3.1 ([21]) A function $f : \mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to satisfy a Lipschitz condition (briefly, f is \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz) on \mathcal{V} with respect to a norm $\| \cdot \|$, if there exists a constant $\mathcal{L} > 0$ such that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \mathcal{L} \|x - y\|,$$

for any $x, y \in \mathcal{V}$.

If $f : \bar{B}(\mathcal{C}, R)$ is Lipschitz with respect to the Euclidian norm with the constant $\mathcal{L} > 0$, then for any $x = (a + \rho_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, b + \rho_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, c + \rho_1 \cos \varphi_1)$ and $y = (a + \rho_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2, b + \rho_2 \sin \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2, c + \rho_2 \cos \varphi_2)$, with some calculations we obtain that

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \mathcal{L} \sqrt{\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2 - 2\rho_1\rho_2 \mathcal{M}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2)},$$

where $M(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2) = [\sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \cos \varphi_1 \cos \varphi_2]$, $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in [0, R]$, $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$ and $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in [0, \pi]$. Also it is obvious that if $f : \mathcal{V} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lipschitz with a constant $\mathcal{L} > 0$ on \mathcal{V} , then it is continuous and so integrable on \mathcal{V} . We need the following result.

Lemma 3.2 For any $\varphi_i \in [0, \pi]$ and $\theta_i \in [0, 2\pi]$ ($i \in \{1, 2\}$) we have

$$-1 \leq \cos(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2) \leq \mathcal{M}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2) \leq \cos(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2) \leq 1.$$

Proof For any $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$ it is obvious that $\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \leq 1$. On the other hand, since for any $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in [0, \pi]$, $\sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2$ is nonnegative,

$$\sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \leq \sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_1.$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2) &= \sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \cos \varphi_1 \cos \varphi_2 \\ &\leq \sin \varphi_1 \sin \varphi_2 + \cos \varphi_1 \cos \varphi_2 = \cos(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2) \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can prove that $\mathcal{M}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2) \geq \cos(\varphi_1 + \varphi_2) \geq -1$. □

The following trapezoid type inequality related to (1) for \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz functions on $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)$ holds.

Theorem 3.3 *Let $f : \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz function. Then*

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, dV \right| \leq \frac{\mathcal{L}R}{4}. \tag{22}$$

Inequality (22) is sharp.

Proof Since f is Lipschitz with constant $\mathcal{L} > 0$ on $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \right| \\ &\leq \mathcal{L} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \|((\rho - R) \cos \theta \sin \varphi, (\rho - R) \sin \theta \sin \varphi, (\rho - R) \cos \varphi)\| \\ &\quad \times \rho^2 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ &= \mathcal{L} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R (R - \rho) \rho^2 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta = \frac{\mathcal{L}\pi R^4}{3}. \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Now by replacing (10) and (11) in (23) and then dividing the result by $\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3$, we deduce the desired result.

To prove the sharpness of (22), consider the function $f : \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) = \mathcal{L}(R - \rho),$$

for $\mathcal{L} > 0$, $\rho \in [0, R]$, $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$, and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$. The function f is Lipschitz with constant \mathcal{L} . Consider $x = (a + \rho_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, b + \rho_1 \sin \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, c + \rho_1 \cos \varphi_1)$ and $y = (a + \rho_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2, b + \rho_2 \sin \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2, c + \rho_2 \cos \varphi_2)$, for $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in [0, R]$, $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in [0, \pi]$, $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in [0, 2\pi]$. Then by Lemma 3.2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} &|f(x) - f(y)| \\ &= |f(a + \rho_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, b + \rho_1 \sin \theta_1 \cos \varphi_1, c + \rho_1 \cos \varphi_1) \\ &\quad - f(a + \rho_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2, b + \rho_2 \sin \theta_2 \cos \varphi_2, c + \rho_2 \cos \varphi_2)| \\ &= \mathcal{L}|\rho_2 - \rho_1| = \mathcal{L}\sqrt{\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2 - 2\rho_1\rho_2} \leq \mathcal{L}\sqrt{\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2 - 2\rho_1\rho_2\mathcal{M}(\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \theta_1, \theta_2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \mathcal{L} \left\| (a + \rho_1 \cos \theta_1 \sin \varphi_1, b + \rho_1 \sin \theta_1 \cos \varphi_1, c + \rho_1 \cos \varphi_1) - (a + \rho_2 \cos \theta_2 \sin \varphi_2, b + \rho_2 \sin \theta_2 \cos \varphi_2, c + \rho_2 \cos \varphi_2) \right\| = \mathcal{L} \|x - y\|.$$

It is not hard to see that $f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \geq 0$ for all $0 \leq \rho \leq R$, $0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi$, and $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$. Also for the case $\rho = R$, we have $f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) = 0$. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) dV \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) dV \\ &= \frac{\mathcal{L}}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R (R - \rho) \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta = \frac{\mathcal{L}R}{4}. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

For \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz functions we can obtain a mid-point type inequality as follows:

Theorem 3.4 *Let $f : \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz function. Then*

$$\left| \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) dV - f(\mathcal{C}) \right| \leq \frac{3\mathcal{L}R}{4}. \tag{24}$$

Inequality (24) is sharp.

Proof Since the function f is \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz on $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) - f(\mathcal{C})| \\ & \leq \mathcal{L} \|(\rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, \rho \cos \varphi)\| = \mathcal{L}\rho, \end{aligned}$$

for all $\rho \in [0, R]$, $\varphi \in [0, \pi]$, and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a, b, c) \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \right| \\ & \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R |f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) - f(\mathcal{C})| \\ & \quad \times \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \\ & \leq \mathcal{L} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \rho^3 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta = \mathcal{L}\pi R^4. \end{aligned}$$

So we obtain that

$$\left| \iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) dV - \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3 f(\mathcal{C}) \right| \leq \mathcal{L}\pi R^4,$$

which implies the desired result.

Now consider the function $f : \bar{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) = \mathcal{L}\rho,$$

for $\mathcal{L} > 0, 0 \leq \rho \leq R, 0 \leq \varphi \leq \pi,$ and $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$. It is obvious that $f(C) = 0$. By a similar method used in the proof of Theorem 3.3, the function f is \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz. So we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) dV - f(C) \right| = \frac{\mathcal{L}}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \rho^3 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta = \frac{3\mathcal{L}R}{4},$$

showing that inequality (24) is sharp. □

Remark 3.5 Consider an open set $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$ including $\bar{B}(C, R)$. For convex function f defined on \mathcal{V} , from Theorem D of Sect. 41 in [21] we have that f is \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz on $\bar{B}(C, R)$ and so from inequalities (22) and (24), along with inequality (1), we get the following results:

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) dV \leq \frac{\mathcal{L}R}{3},$$

and

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x, y, z) dV - f(C) \leq \frac{2\mathcal{L}R}{3}.$$

In the following, as an example we obtain a Lipschitz constant \mathcal{L} for a real-valued function defined on a closed ball in \mathbb{R}^3 .

Example 3.6 Consider $W = f(x, y, z) = (x - a)^n + (y - b)^n + (z - c)^n, n \in \mathbb{N}, (x, y, z) \in \bar{B}(C, R)$. To find a Lipschitz constant for f , we will do some calculations as follows. For $A, B \in \bar{B}(C, R)$, consider the path $\psi : [0, 1] \rightarrow \bar{B}(C, R)$ from B to A in $\bar{B}(C, R)$ as

$$\psi(t) = tA + (1 - t)B,$$

for $t \in [0, 1]$. Now using the fundamental theorem of calculus, we obtain that

$$|f(A) - f(B)| = |f(\psi(1)) - f(\psi(0))| = \left| \int_0^1 \frac{df(\psi(t))}{dt} dt \right|.$$

On the other hand, from the chain rule for differentiation, we get

$$\frac{df(\psi(t))}{dt} = \nabla f(\psi(t)) \cdot \frac{d\psi}{dt} = \nabla f(\psi(t))(A - B),$$

where ∇f is the gradient vector of f . So using the Euclidean norm $\| \cdot \|$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_0^1 \frac{df(\psi(t))}{dt} dt \right| &= \left| \int_0^1 \nabla f(\psi(t))(A - B) dt \right| \leq \|A - B\| \int_0^1 \|\nabla f(\psi(t))\| dt \\ &\leq \|A - B\| \sup_{u \in \bar{B}(C,R)} \|\nabla f(u)\|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$|f(A) - f(B)| \leq \|A - B\| \sup_{u \in \bar{B}(C,R)} \|\nabla f(u)\|.$$

This shows that $\mathcal{L} = \sup_{u \in \bar{B}(C,R)} \|\nabla f(u)\|$ (if it exists) is a Lipschitz constant for f . Now for any $w = (x, y, z) \in \bar{B}(C, R)$, we have

$$\nabla f(w) = n((x - a)^{n-1}, (y - b)^{n-1}, (z - c)^{n-1}),$$

and then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\nabla f(u)\| &= n\sqrt{((x - a)^{n-1})^2 + ((y - b)^{n-1})^2 + ((z - c)^{n-1})^2} \\ &\leq n\sqrt{((x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 + (z - c)^2)^{n-1}} = nR^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

So we can choose $\mathcal{L} = \sup_{u \in \bar{B}(C,R)} \|\nabla f(u)\| = nR^{n-1}$ as a Lipschitz constant for f on $\bar{B}(C, R)$.

Using the above example, we have the following result:

Example 3.7 For $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}$, consider the function $f(\rho, \varphi, \theta) = (x_0 - \rho)^n + (y_0 - \rho)^n + (z_0 - \rho)^n$ defined on $\bar{B}((x_0, y_0, z_0), R)$ such that $x_0, y_0, z_0 > 0$, $0 < R \leq \min\{x_0, y_0, z_0\}$ and $0 \leq \rho \leq R$. It follows that

$$\nabla \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \right) (\rho, \varphi, \theta) = n(n - 1)((x_0 - \rho)^{n-2} + (y_0 - \rho)^{n-2} + (z_0 - \rho)^{n-2}, 0, 0),$$

and then

$$\mathcal{L} = n(n - 1)(x_0^{n-2} + y_0^{n-2} + z_0^{n-2}),$$

is a Lipschitz constant for $\nabla(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho})$. On the other hand, it is not hard to prove that

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - f(C) \right| \leq \frac{\mathcal{L}R^2}{2}. \tag{25}$$

So by (25), we have the following numerical inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} &|((x_0 - R)^n + (y_0 - R)^n + (z_0 - R)^n) - (x_0^n + y_0^n + z_0^n)| \\ &\leq \frac{n(n - 1)(x_0^{n-2} + y_0^{n-2} + z_0^{n-2})R^2}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 3.8 For any function $f : \bar{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we can apply the structure mentioned in the above example to obtain a Lipschitz constant $\mathcal{L} = \sup_{z \in \bar{B}(C,R)} \|\nabla f(z)\|$ with respect to the Euclidian norm $\|\cdot\|$, provided that the gradient vector of f exists everywhere in $\bar{B}(C, R)$ and also $\mathcal{L} < \infty$.

Remark 3.9 In Theorems 3.3 and 3.4, if we consider that $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} : \bar{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is \mathcal{L} -Lipschitz and $f : \bar{B}(C, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable, then by (13) and (19) we can obtain (the details are

omitted)

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x,y,z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x,y,z) dV \right| \leq \frac{1}{5} \mathcal{L}R^2,$$

and

$$\left| \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x,y,z) dV - f(C) \right| \leq \frac{7}{10} \mathcal{L}R^2.$$

4 Bounded functions

In the last section we investigate trapezoid and mid-point type inequalities where considered functions are bounded.

Theorem 4.1 *Suppose that $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, $\bar{B}(C,R) \subset \mathcal{V}^\circ$ and $f : \bar{B}(C,R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has continuous partial derivatives with respect to the variables ρ, φ , and θ on $\bar{B}(C,R)$ in spherical coordinates. If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}$ is bounded on $\bar{B}(C,R)$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x,y,z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x,y,z) dV \right| \\ & \leq \left(\frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B + |\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B|}{8} \right) R, \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

where \mathcal{L}_B and \mathcal{U}_B are lower and upper bounds of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}$ on $\bar{B}(C,R)$, respectively.

Proof Consider \mathcal{U}_B and \mathcal{L}_B as the upper and lower bounds of an arbitrary function g defined on a set $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, respectively. Then for all $x,y,z \in \mathcal{V}$, we have

$$\mathcal{L}_B - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \leq g(x,y,z) - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \leq \mathcal{U}_B - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2},$$

which implies that

$$\left| g(x,y,z) - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \right| \leq \frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B}{2}, \tag{27}$$

for all $x,y,z \in \mathcal{V}$. On the other hand, from (13) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} (a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^3 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \\ & - \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \rho^3 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \\ & = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi R^3 f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) d\varphi d\theta \\ & - 3 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R f(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) \rho^2 \sin \varphi d\rho d\varphi d\theta \\ & - \pi R^4 \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Now if in (27) we consider $g = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}$, $\mathcal{V} = \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)$, and utilize Lemma 2.1, then we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| R \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - 3 \iiint_{\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, dV - \pi R^4 \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \right| \\ & \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \right| \\ & \quad \times \rho^3 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & \leq \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left| \frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B}{2} \right| \rho^3 \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta = \frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B}{2} \pi R^4. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, by the use of the triangle inequality and dividing the result by $4\pi R^3$, we obtain inequality (26). □

Theorem 4.2 *Suppose that $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R) \subset \mathcal{V}^\circ$ and $f : \bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has continuous partial derivatives with respect to the variables ρ, φ , and θ on $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)$ in spherical coordinates. If $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}$ is bounded on $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)$, then*

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - f(\mathcal{C}) \right| \leq \left(\frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B + |\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B|}{2} \right) R, \tag{28}$$

where \mathcal{L}_B and \mathcal{U}_B are lower and upper bounds of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}$ on $\bar{\mathcal{B}}(\mathcal{C}, R)$, respectively.

Proof Consider \mathcal{L}_B and \mathcal{U}_B as the upper and lower bounds of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}$. By (19), the following relations hold:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \cos \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \right] \\ & \quad \times \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi f(a + R \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + R \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + R \cos \varphi) \sin \varphi \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & \quad - \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi f(\mathcal{C}) \sin \varphi \, d\varphi \, d\theta - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} R \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin \varphi \, d\varphi \, d\theta \\ & = \frac{1}{R^2} \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - 4\pi f(\mathcal{C}) - 2\pi(\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B)R. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(\mathcal{C}, R)} f(x, y, z) \, d\sigma - f(\mathcal{C}) - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} R \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \int_0^R \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}(a + \rho \cos \theta \sin \varphi, b + \rho \sin \theta \sin \varphi, c + \rho \cos \varphi) - \frac{\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B}{2} \right| \\ & \quad \times \sin \varphi \, d\rho \, d\varphi \, d\theta = \frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B}{2} R. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, by using the triangle inequality, we get

$$\left| \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x,y,z) d\sigma - f(C) \right| \leq \left(\frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B + |\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B|}{2} \right) R. \quad \square$$

Remark 4.3 If $f : \bar{B}(C,R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex function and bounded from above on $\bar{B}(C,R)$ (\mathcal{U}_B exists), then f is bounded on $\bar{B}(C,R)$ because for an arbitrary $X \in \bar{B}(0,R)$ and $C = \frac{1}{2}(X + C) + \frac{1}{2}(-X + C)$, from the convexity of f we have $2f(C) - f(-X + C) \leq f(X + C)$. This implies that $2f(C) - \mathcal{U}_B \leq f(X + C)$ where $X + C$ and $-X + C$ belong to $\bar{B}(C,R)$. Now it is enough to set $\mathcal{L}_B = 2f(C) - \mathcal{U}_B$.

So if $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} : \bar{B}(C,R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex and bounded from above, then by (26), (28), and (1), the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{4\pi R^2} \iint_{\sigma(C,R)} f(x,y,z) d\sigma - \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x,y,z) dV \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B + |\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B|}{8} \right) R, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \iiint_{\bar{B}(C,R)} f(x,y,z) dV - f(C) \leq \left(\frac{\mathcal{U}_B - \mathcal{L}_B + |\mathcal{L}_B + \mathcal{U}_B|}{2} \right) R,$$

where \mathcal{L}_B and \mathcal{U}_B are lower and upper bounds of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho}$ on $\bar{B}(C,R)$, respectively.

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