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## On some new inequalities for differentiable coordinated convex functions

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## **Abstract**

Several new inequalities for differentiable co-ordinated convex and concave functions in two variables which are related to the left side of Hermite- Hadamard type inequality for co-ordinated convex functions in two variables are obtained. **Mathematics Subject Classification (2000)**: 26A51; 26D15

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#### 1. Introduction

The following definition is well known in literature:

A function  $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\emptyset \neq I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , is said to be convex on I if the inequality

$$f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)\gamma) \le \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(\gamma),$$

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

Many important inequalities have been established for the class of convex functions, but the most famous is the Hermite-Hadamard's inequality (see for instance [1]). This double inequality is stated as:

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \le \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \le \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2},\tag{1.1}$$

where  $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $0 \neq I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  a convex function,  $a, b \in I$  with a < b. The inequalities in (1.1) are in reversed order if f is a concave function.

The inequalities (1.1) have become an important cornerstone in mathematical analysis and optimization and many uses of these inequalities have been discovered in a variety of settings. Moreover, many inequalities of special means can be obtained for a particular choice of the function f. Due to the rich geometrical significance of Hermite-Hadamard's inequality (1.1), there is growing literature providing its new proofs, extensions, refinements and generalizations, see for example [2-5] and the references therein.

Let us consider now a bidimensional interval  $\Delta =: [a, b] \times [c, d]$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with a < b and c < d, a mapping  $f: \Delta \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be convex on  $\Delta$  if the inequality

$$f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)z, \lambda y + (1 - \lambda)w) \le \lambda f(x, y) + (1 - \lambda)f(z, w),$$



holds for all (x, y),  $(z, w) \in \Delta$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ .

A modification for convex functions on  $\Delta$ , which are also known as co-ordinated convex functions, was introduced by Dragomir [6,7] as follows:

A function  $f: \Delta \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$  if the partial mappings  $f_y$ :  $[a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f_y(u) = f(u, y)$  and  $f_x$ :  $[c, d] \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f_x(v) = f(x, v)$  are convex where defined for all  $x \in [a, b]$ ,  $y \in [c, d]$ .

A formal definition for co-ordinated convex functions may be stated as follows:

**Definition 1.** [8]A function  $f: \Delta \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$  if the inequality

$$f(tx + (1 - t)y, su + (1 - s)w)$$

$$\leq ts f(x, u) + t(1 - s)f(x, w) + s(1 - t)f(y, u) + (1 - t)(1 - s)f(y, w),$$

holds for all  $t, s \in [0, 1]$  and  $(x, u), (y, w) \in \Delta$ .

Clearly, every convex mapping  $f: \Delta \to \mathbb{R}$  is convex on the co-ordinates. Furthermore, there exists co-ordinated convex function which is not convex, (see for example [6,7]). For recent results on co-ordinated convex functions we refer the interested reader to [6,8-13].

The following Hermite-Hadamrd type inequality for co-ordinated convex functions on the rectangle from the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$  was also proved in [6]:

**Theorem 1.** [6] Suppose that  $f: \Delta \to \mathbb{R}$  is co-ordinated convex on  $\Delta$ . Then one has the inequalities:

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) dx + \frac{1}{d-c} \int_{c}^{d} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \gamma\right) d\gamma\right] \\ \leq \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x, \gamma) dy dx \\ \leq \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x, c) dx + \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x, d) dx + \frac{1}{d-c} \int_{c}^{d} f(a, \gamma) dy + \frac{1}{d-c} \int_{c}^{d} f(b, \gamma) dy\right] \\ \leq \frac{f(a, c) + f(a, d) + f(b, c) + f(b, d)}{4}.$$
(1.2)

The above inequalities are sharp.

In a recent article [13], Sarikaya et al. proved some new inequalities that give estimate of the difference between the middle and the rightmost terms in (1.2) for differentiable co-ordinated convex functions on rectangle from the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Motivated by notion given in [13], in the present article, we prove some new inequalities which give estimate between the middle and the leftmost terms in (1.2) for differentiable co-ordinated convex functions on rectangle from the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

#### 2. Main results

The following lemma is necessary and plays an important role in establishing our main results:

**Lemma 1.** Let  $f: \Delta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  be a partial differentiable mapping on  $\Delta: = [a, b] \times [c, d]$  with a < b, c < d. If  $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \in L(\Delta)$ , then the following identity holds:

$$\frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y)dydx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right)$$

$$-\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right)dx - \frac{1}{d-c} \int_{c}^{d} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, y\right)dy$$

$$= (b-a)(d-c) \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} K(t,s) \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d)dsdt,$$
(2.1)

where

$$K(t,s) = \begin{cases} ts, & (t,s) \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \times \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \\ t(s-1), & (t,s) \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \times \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right] \\ s(t-1), & (t,s) \in \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right] \times \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right] \\ (t-1)(s-1), & (t,s) \in \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right] \times \left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right] \end{cases}$$

Proof. Since

$$(b-a)(d-c)\int_{0}^{\infty}\int_{0}^{\infty}K(t,s)\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s\partial t}f(ta+(1-t)b,sc+(1-s)d)dsdt$$

$$=(b-a)(d-c)\int_{0}^{\infty}\int_{0}^{\infty}ts\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s\partial t}f(ta+(1-t)b,sc+(1-s)d)dsdt$$

$$+(b-a)(d-c)\int_{0}^{\infty}\int_{0}^{\infty}t(s-1)\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s\partial t}f(ta+(1-t)b,sc+(1-s)d)dsdt$$

$$+(b-a)(d-c)\int_{0}^{\infty}\int_{0}^{\infty}s(t-1)\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s\partial t}f(ta+(1-t)b,sc+(1-s)d)dsdt$$

$$+(b-a)(d-c)\int_{0}^{\infty}\int_{0}^{\infty}t(t-1)(s-1)\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s\partial t}f(ta+(1-t)b,sc+(1-s)d)dsdt$$

$$=I_{1}+I_{2}+I_{3}+I_{4}.$$
(2.2)

Now by integration by parts, we have

$$I_{1} = (b-a)(d-c)\int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} t \left[ \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} s \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) ds \right] dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} f\left(ta+(1-t)b, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) dt$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, sc+(1-s)d\right) ds + \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) ds dt.$$
(2.3)

If we make use of the substitutions x = ta + (1 - t)b and y = sc + (1 - s)d,  $(t, s) \in [0, 1]^2$ , in (2.3), we observe that

$$I_{1} = \frac{1}{4} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^{b} f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) dx$$
$$- \frac{1}{2(d-c)} \int_{\frac{c+d}{2}}^{d} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \gamma\right) d\gamma + \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^{b} \int_{\frac{c+d}{2}}^{d} f(x, \gamma) d\gamma dx.$$

Similarly, by integration by parts, we also have that

$$I_{2} = \frac{1}{4}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^{b} f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) dx$$

$$- \frac{1}{2(d-c)} \int_{c}^{\frac{c+d}{2}} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, y\right) dy + \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^{b} \int_{c}^{\frac{c+d}{2}} f(x, y) dy dx,$$

$$I_{3} = \frac{1}{4}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \int_{a}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) dx$$

$$- \frac{1}{2(d-c)} \int_{\frac{c+d}{2}}^{d} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, y\right) dy + \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_{\frac{c+d}{2}}^{d} f(x, y) dy dx$$

and

$$I_{4} = \frac{1}{4}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \int_{a}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) dx$$
$$-\frac{1}{2(d-c)} \int_{a}^{\frac{c+d}{2}} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, y\right) dy + \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \int_{a}^{\frac{c+d}{2}} f(x, y) dy dx.$$

Substitution of the  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$ ,  $I_3$ , and  $I_4$  in (2.2) gives the desired identity (2.1).

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f: \Delta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  be a partial differentiable mapping on  $\Delta:=[a, b] \times [c, d]$  with a < b, c < d. If  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \right|$  is convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$ , then the following inequality holds:

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{16} \left[ \frac{\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right| + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} t(a,d) \right| + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right| + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right|}{4} \right],$$
(2.4)

where

$$A = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f\left(x, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) dx + \frac{1}{d-c} \int_{c}^{d} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \gamma\right) d\gamma.$$

Proof. From Lemma 1, we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq (b-a)(d-c) \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$(2.5)$$

Since  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \right|$  is convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$ , we have

$$\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1 - t)b, sc + (1 - s)d) \right| \le ts \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, c) \right| + t(1 - s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, d) \right| + s(1 - t) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, c) \right| + (1 - t)(1 - s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, d) \right|.$$
(2.6)

Substitution of (2.6) in (2.5) gives the following inequality:

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq (b-a)(d-c) \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right| \left[ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right| ts + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right| t(1-s)$$

$$+ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} (b,c) \right| s(1-t) + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} (b,d) \right| (1-t)(1-s) \right] ds dt = (b-a)(d-c)$$

$$\times \left\{ \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} ts \left[ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} (a,c) \right| ts + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} (a,d) \right| t(1-s) + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right| s(1-t) \right.$$

$$+ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right| (1-t)(1-s) \right] ds dt + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{1}^{1} t(1-s) \left[ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right| ts$$

$$+ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right| t(1-s) + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right| s(1-t) + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right| (1-t)(1-s) \right] ds dt$$

$$+ \int_{1}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} s(1-t) \left[ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right| ts + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right| t(1-s) + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right| s(1-t)$$

$$+ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right| (1-t)(1-s) \right] ds dt + \int_{1}^{1} \int_{1}^{1} (1-t)(1-s) \left[ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right| ts + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right| (1-t)(1-s) \right] ds dt$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right| t(1-s) + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right| s(1-t) + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right| (1-t)(1-s) \right] ds dt \right\}$$

Evaluating each integral in (2.7) and simplifying, we get (2.4). Hence the proof of the theorem is complete.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f: \Delta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  be a partial differentiable mapping on  $\Delta: = [a, b] \times [c, d]$  with a < b, c < d. If  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \right|^q$  is convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$  and p, q > 1,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ , then the following inequality holds:

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{a}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{4(b+1)^{\frac{2}{p}}} \left[ \frac{\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(a,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(a,d) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(b,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(b,d) \right|^{q}}{4} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \qquad (2.8)$$

where A is as given in Theorem 2.

Proof. From Lemma 1, we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq (b-a)(d-c) \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt.$$
(2.9)

Now using the well-known Hölder inequality for double integrals, we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right| dsdt$$

$$\leq \left( \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right|^{p} dsdt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right|^{q} dsdt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \tag{2.10}$$

Since  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \right|^q$  is convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$ , we have

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1 - t)b, sc + (1 - s)d) \right|^{q} ds dt$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left[ ts \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, c) \right|^{q} + t(1 - s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, d) \right|^{q} + s(1 - t) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, c) \right|^{q} + (1 - t)(1 - s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, d) \right|^{q} \right] ds dt$$

$$= \frac{\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, d) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, d) \right|^{q}}{4}}{4}.$$
(2.11)

Also, we notice that

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)|^{p} ds dt = \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} t^{p} s^{p} ds dt + \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1} t^{p} (1-s)^{p} ds dt + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1} (1-t)^{p} (1-s)^{p} ds dt + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} (1-t)^{p} (1-s)^{p} ds dt + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} (1-t)^{p} (1-s)^{p} ds dt = \frac{4}{(p+1)^{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2(p+1)}.$$

$$(2.12)$$

Using (2.11) and (2.12) in (2.10), we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4(p+1)^{\frac{2}{p}}} \left[ \frac{\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right|^{q}}{4} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Utilizing the last inequality in (2.9) gives us (2.8). This completes the proof of the theorem.

Now we state our next result in:

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f: \Delta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  be a partial differentiable mapping on  $\Delta: = [a, b] \times [c, d]$  with a < b, c < d. If  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \right|^q$  is convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$  and  $q \ge 1$ , then the following inequality holds:

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{16} \left[ \frac{\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(a,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(a,d) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(b,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t}(b,d) \right|^{q}}{4} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \qquad (2.13)$$

where A is as given in Theorem 2.

*Proof.* By using Lemma 1, we have that the following inequality:

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{a}^{d} f(x,\gamma) d\gamma dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq (b-a)(d-c) \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt.$$

$$(2.14)$$

By the power mean inequality, we have

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right| dsdt$$

$$\leq \left( \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)| dsdt \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$\times \left( \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right|^{q} dsdt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{16} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right|^{q} dsdt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$
(2.15)

Using the fact that  $\left|\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t}\right|^q$  is convex on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$ , we get

$$\left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1 - t)b, sc + (1 - s)d) \right|^q$$

$$= ts \left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, c) \right|^q + t(1 - s) \left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(a, d) \right|^q + s(1 - t) \left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, c) \right|^q$$

$$+ (1 - t)(1 - s) \left| \frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(b, d) \right|^q$$

and hence, we obtain

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right|^{q} ds dt$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)| \left[ ts \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right|^{q} + t(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right|^{q}$$

$$+s(1-t) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right|^{q} + (1-t)(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right|^{q} \right] ds dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{64} \left[ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right|^{q} \right].$$

Therefore (2.15) becomes

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left| K(t,s) \right| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(a,d) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,c) \right|^{q} + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(b,d) \right|^{q}}{4} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} (2.16)$$

Substitution of (2.16) in (2.14), we obtain (2.13). Hence the proof is complete.

**Remark 1**. Since  $2^p > p + 1$  if p > 1 and accordingly

$$\frac{1}{4}<\frac{1}{2(p+1)\frac{1}{p}}$$

and hence we have that the following inequality:

$$\frac{1}{16} < \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} < \frac{1}{2(p+1)\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \frac{1}{2(p+1)\frac{1}{p}} = \frac{1}{4(p+1)\frac{2}{p}},$$

and as a consequence we get an improvement of the constant in Theorem 3. Following theorem is about concave functions on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$ :

**Theorem 5.** Let  $f: \Delta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$  be a partial differentiable mapping on  $\Delta: = [a, b] \times [c, d]$  with a < b, c < d. If  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \right|^q$  is concave on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$  and  $q \ge 1$ , then we have the inequality:

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{64} \left[ \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}, \frac{c+2d}{3}\right) \right| + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}, \frac{2c+d}{3}\right) \right| \right]$$

$$\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, \frac{c+2d}{3}\right) \right| + \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, \frac{2c+d}{3}\right) \right| \right], \tag{2.17}$$

where A is as defined in Theorem 2.

*Proof.* By the concavity of  $\left|\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t}\right|^q$  on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$  and power mean inequality, we note that the following inequality holds:

$$\left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda(y, v)) \right|^{q} \ge \lambda \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(x, v) \right|^{q} + (1 - \lambda) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(y, v) \right|^{q}$$

$$\ge \left( \lambda \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(x, v) \right| + (1 - \lambda) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(y, v) \right| \right)^{q},$$

for all  $x, y \in [a, b]$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and for fixed  $v \in [c, d]$ . Hence,

$$\left|\frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)\gamma, \nu)\right| \geq \lambda \left|\frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(x, \nu)\right| + (1-\lambda) \left|\frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(\gamma, \nu)\right|,$$

for all  $x, y \in [a, b]$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and for fixed  $\nu \in [c, d]$ . Similarly, we can show that

$$\left|\frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(u, \lambda z + (1 - \lambda)w)\right| \ge \lambda \left|\frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(u, z)\right| + (1 - \lambda) \left|\frac{\partial^2}{\partial s \partial t} f(u, w)\right|,$$

for all  $z, w \in [c, d]$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and for fixed  $u \in [a, d]$ , thus  $\left| \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t} \right|$  is concave on the co-ordinates on  $\Delta$ .

It is clear from Lemma 1 that

$$\left| \frac{1}{(b-a)(d-c)} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x,y) dy dx + f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) - A \right|$$

$$\leq (b-a)(d-c) \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} |K(t,s)| \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$= (b-a)(d-c) \left[ \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} st \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{1}^{1} t(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} s(1-t) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-t)(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} (1-t)(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} (1-t)(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| ds dt$$

Since  $\left|\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial s \partial t}\right|$  is concave on the co-ordinates, we have, by Jensen's inequality for integrals, that:

$$\frac{1}{\int_{0}^{2} \int_{0}^{2} st \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1 - t)b, sc + (1 - s)d) \right| ds dt}$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} t \left[ \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} s \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1 - t)b, sc + (1 - s)d) \right| ds \right] dt$$

$$\leq \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} r \left( \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} s ds \right) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f \left( ta + (1 - t)b, \frac{1}{2} \frac{\int_{0}^{2} s(sc + (1 - s)d)ds}{\int_{0}^{2} s ds} \right) \right| dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} t \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f \left( ta + (1 - t)b, \frac{c + 2d}{3} \right) \right| dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{8} \left( \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} t dt \right) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f \left( \frac{\int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} t(ta + (1 - t)b)dt}{\int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} tdt}, \frac{c + 2d}{3} \right) \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{64} \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f \left( \frac{a + 2b}{3}, \frac{c + 2d}{3} \right) \right|.$$

In a similar way, we also have that

$$\int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{0}^{1} t(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta + (1-t)b, sc + (1-s)d) \right| dsdt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{64} \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}, \frac{2c+d}{3}\right) \right|, \tag{2.20}$$

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{\frac{1}{2}} s(1-t) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| dsdt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{64} \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, \frac{c+2d}{3}\right) \right|$$
(2.21)

and

$$\int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} (1-t)(1-s) \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f(ta+(1-t)b, sc+(1-s)d) \right| dsdt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{64} \left| \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial s \partial t} f\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, \frac{c+2d}{3}\right) \right|.$$
(2.22)

By making use of (2.19)-(2.22) in (2.18), we get the desired result. This completes the proof.

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