

A unified generalization of perturbed trapezoid and mid-point inequalities and applications in numerical integration

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Abstract

A unified generalization of perturbed trapezoid and mid-point inequalities is obtained. Applications in numerical integration are also given.

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1. Introduction

In recent years a number of authors [1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9] have considered the following perturbed trapezoid and mid-point inequalities

$$\left| \int_a^b f(t)dt - \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}(b-a) + \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}[f'(b)-f'(a)] \right| \leq C(\Gamma-\gamma)(b-a)^3, \quad (1)$$

$$\left| \int_a^b f(t)dt - f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)(b-a) - \frac{(b-a)^2}{24}[f'(b)-f'(a)] \right| \leq C(\Gamma-\gamma)(b-a)^3, \quad (2)$$

where $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a twice differentiable function and there exist constants $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{R}$, with $\gamma \leq f''(t) \leq \Gamma$, $t \in [a, b]$ while C is a constant. We can find

$C = \frac{1}{8}$, $C = \frac{1}{6\sqrt{5}}$, $C = \frac{1}{18\sqrt{3}}$, $C = \frac{1}{32}$ and $C = \frac{1}{24\sqrt{5}}$, respectively.

Recently, Cheng and Sun [3], Liu [6] showed that the best constants in (1) and (2) are both $C = \frac{1}{36\sqrt{3}}$ by defining

$$p(t) = -\frac{1}{2}(t-a)(b-t) + \frac{(b-a)^2}{12} \text{ and } q(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(t-a)^2 - \frac{(b-a)^2}{24}, & t \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}], \\ \frac{1}{2}(t-b)^2 - \frac{(b-a)^2}{24}, & t \in (\frac{a+b}{2}, b], \end{cases}$$

respectively.

In this paper, we obtain a generalization of perturbed trapezoid and mid-point inequalities by defining a uniform $r(t)$ as in (3). Our result in special case yield the above existing results. Finally, we give applications in numerical integration.

2. Main Results

Theorem 1. *Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an open interval, $a, b \in I$, $a < b$. If $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a twice differentiable function such that f'' is integrable and there exist constants $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{R}$; with $\gamma \leq f''(t) \leq \Gamma$, $t \in [a, b]$, $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$. Then we have*

$$\left| \int_a^b f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[(1-\lambda)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \lambda \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} \right] - \frac{1-3\lambda}{24}(b-a)^2[f'(b)-f'(a)] \right| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{2(\lambda^2 - \lambda + \frac{1}{3})^{\frac{3}{2}} + \lambda(1-\lambda)(1-2\lambda)}{24}(\Gamma - \gamma)(b-a)^3, & \lambda \in [0, \frac{1}{3}], \\ \frac{(\lambda^2 - \lambda + \frac{1}{3})^{\frac{3}{2}}}{6}(\Gamma - \gamma)(b-a)^3, & \lambda \in (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}], \\ \frac{2(\lambda^2 - \lambda + \frac{1}{3})^{\frac{3}{2}} + \lambda(1-\lambda)(2\lambda-1)}{24}(\Gamma - \gamma)(b-a)^3, & \lambda \in (\frac{2}{3}, 1]. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let $r: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by

$$r(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(t-a)[t - (1-\lambda)a - \lambda b] - \frac{1-3\lambda}{24}(b-a)^2, & t \in [a, \frac{a+b}{2}], \\ \frac{1}{2}(b-t)[\lambda a + (1-\lambda)b - t] - \frac{1-3\lambda}{24}(b-a)^2, & t \in (\frac{a+b}{2}, b]. \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Integrating by parts, we have

$$\int_a^b r(t)f''(t)dt = \int_a^b f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[(1-\lambda)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \lambda\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} \right] - \frac{1-3\lambda}{24}(b-a)^2[f'(b)-f'(a)] \quad (4)$$

and

$$\int_a^b r(t)dt = 0. \quad (5)$$

If C is a constant then from (4) and (5) it follows

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b r(t)[f''(t) - C]dt \\ &= \int_a^b f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[(1-\lambda)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \lambda\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} \right] \\ & \quad - \frac{1-3\lambda}{24}(b-a)^2[f'(b)-f'(a)]. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

If we choose $C = \frac{\gamma+\Gamma}{2}$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_a^b f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[(1-\lambda)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \lambda\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2} \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{1-3\lambda}{24}(b-a)^2[f'(b)-f'(a)] \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\Gamma-\gamma}{2} \int_a^b |r(t)|dt, \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

and it is easy to calculate by substitution $t = a + \frac{b-a}{2}(\lambda + t)$ that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b |r(t)|dt \\ &= 2 \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left| \frac{1}{2} \left[(x-a) - \frac{\lambda}{2}(b-a) \right]^2 - \frac{3\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1}{24}(b-a)^2 \right| dx \\ &= \frac{(b-a)^3}{24} \int_{-\lambda}^{1-\lambda} |3t^2 - (3\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 1)| dt \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

From (7) and (8) we get the result.

Remark 2. We note that in the special cases, if we take $\lambda = 1$ and $\lambda = 0$ in Theorem 1 respectively, we get Theorem 1.2 in [3] and Theorem 1 in [6].

Corollary 3. Under the assumptions of Theorem 1 and with $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}$, we have the inequality

$$\left| \int_a^b f(t)dt - \frac{1}{2}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)(b-a) - \frac{1}{2}\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}(b-a) + \frac{1}{48}(b-a)^2[f'(b)-f'(a)] \right| \leq \frac{1}{144\sqrt{3}}(\Gamma-\gamma)(b-a)^3. \quad (9)$$

Corollary 4. Under the assumptions of Theorem 1 and with $\lambda = \frac{1}{3}$, we have the Simpson inequality

$$\left| \int_a^b f(t)dt - \frac{b-a}{6} \left[f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] \right| \leq \frac{1}{162}(\Gamma-\gamma)(b-a)^3. \quad (10)$$

Corollary 5. Under the assumptions of Theorem 1 and with $\lambda = \frac{2}{3}$, we have the inequality

$$\left| \int_a^b f(t)dt - \frac{1}{3}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)(b-a) - \frac{2}{3}\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}(b-a) + \frac{1}{24}(b-a)^2[f'(b)-f'(a)] \right| \leq \frac{1}{162}(\Gamma-\gamma)(b-a)^3. \quad (11)$$

3. Applications in numerical integration

Theorem 6. Let the assumptions of Theorem 1 hold. If $D = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b\}$ is a given division of the interval $[a; b]$ then we have

$$\int_a^b f(t)dt = A_{MT}(f, D) + R_{MT}(f, D),$$

where

$$A_{MT}(f, D) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i \left[(1-\lambda)f\left(\frac{x_i+x_{i+1}}{2}\right) + \lambda\frac{f(x_i)+f(x_{i+1})}{2} \right] + \frac{1-3\lambda}{24} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i^3 [f'(x_{i+1}) - f'(x_i)]$$

$$|R_{MT}(f, D)| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{2(\lambda^2 - \lambda + \frac{1}{3})^{\frac{3}{2}} + \lambda(1-\lambda)(1-2\lambda)}{24} (\Gamma - \gamma) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i^3, & \lambda \in [0, \frac{1}{3}], \\ \frac{(\lambda^2 - \lambda + \frac{1}{3})^{\frac{3}{2}}}{6} (\Gamma - \gamma) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i^3, & \lambda \in (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}], \\ \frac{2(\lambda^2 - \lambda + \frac{1}{3})^{\frac{3}{2}} + \lambda(1-\lambda)(2\lambda-1)}{24} (\Gamma - \gamma) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i^3, & \lambda \in (\frac{2}{3}, 1], \end{cases}$$

and $h_i = x_{i+1} - x_i$, $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$.

Proof. Apply Theorem 1 to the interval $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$, $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and sum. Then use the triangle inequality to obtain the desired result.

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