

# A Generalization of Some Integral Inequalities Similar to Hardy's Inequality

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## Abstract

In 2012, Sulaiman gave some integral inequalities similar to Hardy's inequality. In this paper, we present a generalization of the inequalities.

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## 1 Introduction

In 1920, Hardy [1] posed the inequality as follows.

$$\int_0^\infty \left(\frac{F(x)}{x}\right)^p dx \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^p \int_0^\infty f^p(x) dx$$

where  $f \geq 0$ ,  $p > 1$ , and  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$ .

In 2012, Sulaiman [2] presented the inequalities similar to above inequality as follows.

$$p \int_a^b \left(\frac{F(x)}{x}\right)^p dx \leq (b-a)^p \int_a^b \left(\frac{f(x)}{x}\right)^p dx - \int_a^b \left(1 - \frac{a}{x}\right)^p f^p(x) dx \quad (1)$$

where  $f > 0$  on  $[a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty)$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , and  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$ .

$$p \int_a^b \left(\frac{F(x)}{x}\right)^p dx \geq \left(1 - \frac{a}{b}\right)^p \int_a^b f^p(x) dx - \frac{1}{b^p} \int_a^b (x-a)^p f^p(x) dx \quad (2)$$

where  $f > 0$  on  $[a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty)$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ , and  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt$ .

In this paper, we present a generalization of both inequality (1) and inequality (2).

## 2 Main Results

**Theorem 2.1.** *Assume that  $f > 0$  on  $[a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty)$ , and  $p \geq 1$ ,  $q > 0$ . Define*

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt.$$

Then

$$p \int_a^b \frac{F^p(x)}{x^q} dx \leq (b-a)^p \int_a^b \frac{f^p(x)}{x^q} dx - \int_a^b \frac{(x-a)^p}{x^q} f^p(x) dx.$$

*Proof.* Note that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{p-1}{p} = 1$ . By the assumption and the Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{F^p(x)}{x^q} dx &= \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \int_a^x f(t)dt \right)^p dx \\ &\leq \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \left( \int_a^x f^p(t)dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_a^x dt \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \right)^p dx \\ &= \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \left( \int_a^x f^p(t)dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} (x-a)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \right)^p dx \\ &= \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \int_a^x f^p(t)dt \right) (x-a)^{p-1} dx \\ &= \int_a^b \int_a^x x^{-q} (x-a)^{p-1} f^p(t) dt dx \\ &= \int_a^b \int_t^b x^{-q} (x-a)^{p-1} f^p(t) dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

And then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{F^p(x)}{x^q} dx &\leq \int_a^b \int_t^b t^{-q} (x-a)^{p-1} f^p(t) dx dt \\ &= \int_a^b t^{-q} f^p(t) \left( \int_t^b (x-a)^{p-1} dx \right) dt \\ &= \int_a^b t^{-q} f^p(t) \left( \frac{(b-a)^p - (t-a)^p}{p} \right) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{p} \left( (b-a)^p \int_a^b \frac{f^p(t)}{t^q} dt - \int_a^b \frac{(t-a)^p}{t^q} f^p(t) dt \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.2.** Assume that  $f > 0$  on  $[a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty)$ , and  $0 < p < 1, q > 0$ . Define

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt.$$

Then

$$p \int_a^b \frac{F^p(x)}{x^q} dx \geq \frac{(b-a)^p}{b^q} \int_a^b f^p(x) dx - \frac{1}{b^q} \int_a^b (x-a)^p f^p(x) dx.$$

*Proof.* Note that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{p-1}{p} = 1$ . By the assumption and the reverse Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{F^p(x)}{x^q} dx &= \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \int_a^x f(t) dt \right)^p dx \\ &\geq \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \left( \int_a^x f^p(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_a^x dt \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \right)^p dx \\ &= \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \left( \int_a^x f^p(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} (x-a)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \right)^p dx \\ &= \int_a^b x^{-q} \left( \int_a^x f^p(t) dt \right) (x-a)^{p-1} dx \\ &= \int_a^b \int_a^x x^{-q} (x-a)^{p-1} f^p(t) dt dx \\ &= \int_a^b \int_t^b x^{-q} (x-a)^{p-1} f^p(t) dx dt. \end{aligned}$$

And then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_a^b \frac{F^p(x)}{x^q} dx &\geq \int_a^b \int_t^b b^{-q} (x-a)^{p-1} f^p(t) dx dt \\
 &= b^{-q} \int_a^b f^p(t) \left( \int_t^b (x-a)^{p-1} dx \right) dt \\
 &= b^{-q} \int_a^b f^p(t) \left( \frac{(b-a)^p - (t-a)^p}{p} \right) dt \\
 &= \frac{b^{-q}}{p} \left( (b-a)^p \int_a^b f^p(t) dt - \int_a^b (t-a)^p f^p(t) dt \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 2.3.** [2] Assume that  $f > 0$  on  $[a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty)$ . Define

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt.$$

It follows that

(i) if  $p \geq 1$  then

$$p \int_a^b \left( \frac{F(x)}{x} \right)^p dx \leq (b-a)^p \int_a^b \left( \frac{f(x)}{x} \right)^p dx - \int_a^b \left( 1 - \frac{a}{x} \right)^p f^p(x) dx,$$

and

(ii) if  $0 < p < 1$ , then

$$p \int_a^b \left( \frac{F(x)}{x} \right)^p dx \geq \left( 1 - \frac{a}{b} \right)^p \int_a^b f^p(x) dx - \frac{1}{b^p} \int_a^b (x-a)^p f^p(x) dx.$$

*Proof.* This follows from Theorem 2.1 and 2.2 where  $q = p$ . □

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