

## AN ANALOGUE OF THE OSTROWSKI INEQUALITY AND APPLICATIONS

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**Abstract.** A new analogue of the Ostrowski inequality is introduced in three different cases for functions in  $L^1[a, b]$  and  $L^\infty[a, b]$  spaces and its application is given for deriving error bounds of some quadrature rules.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $L^p[a, b]$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) denote the space of  $p$ -power integrable functions on the interval  $[a, b]$  with the standard norm

$$\|f\|_p = \left( \int_a^b \|f(t)\|^p dt \right)^{1/p},$$

and  $L^\infty[a, b]$  the space of all essentially bounded functions on  $[a, b]$  with the norm

$$\|f\|_\infty = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x \in [a, b]} |f(x)|.$$

If  $h \in L^1[a, b]$  and  $g \in L^\infty[a, b]$ , then the following inequality holds

$$\left| \int_a^b h(x) g(x) dx \right| \leq \|h\|_1 \|g\|_\infty.$$

For two absolutely continuous functions  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that  $f, g, fg \in L^1[a, b]$ , the Chebyshev functional is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{T}(f, g) &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left( f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \right) \left( g(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(x) dx \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) g(x) dx - \frac{1}{(b-a)^2} \left( \int_a^b f(x) dx \right) \left( \int_a^b g(x) dx \right). \end{aligned}$$

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A well-known inequality in the literature, which is related to the Chebyshev functional, is the Ostrowski inequality [15]. If  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is a differentiable function with bounded derivative, then

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \left( \frac{(x-a)^2 + (b-x)^2}{2(b-a)} \right) \|f'\|_\infty, \tag{1}$$

for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . The above result has been extended for absolutely continuous functions and Lebesgue  $p$ -norms of the derivative  $f'$  in [3,4] as follows: Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be absolutely continuous on  $[a, b]$ . Then for all  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  ( $p > 1$ ) we have

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{(p+1)^{\frac{1}{p}}} \left( \left( \frac{x-a}{b-a} \right)^{p+1} + \left( \frac{b-x}{b-a} \right)^{p+1} \right) (b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_q, \\ \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{b-a} \left| x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| \right) \|f'\|_1. \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

The constants  $1/(p+1)^{1/p}$  and  $1/2$  in (2) are respectively sharp in the sense that they cannot be replaced by a smaller constant.

The inequalities (1), (2) can also be obtained, in a slightly different form, as particular cases of some results established by Fink in [10] for  $n$ -time differentiable functions. For other Ostrowski type inequalities concerning Lipschitzian type functions, see [5]. The cases of bounded variation functions and monotonic functions have been studied in [6]. For various generalizations, refinements and related Ostrowski type inequalities for functions of one or several variables one may refer to the monograph [7] and the references therein. See also [1,8,11,15] and [13,14,16,19] in this regard. Moreover, the Ostrowski inequality has an important role in numerical quadrature rules [9,12].

In this paper, we introduce a new analogue of the Ostrowski inequality in three different cases and apply them for some quadrature rules. First of all, let us consider the following well-known kernel on  $[a, b]$

$$K(x; t) = \begin{cases} t - a & t \in [a, x], \\ t - b & t \in (x, b]. \end{cases} \tag{3}$$

After some computations, it can directly be concluded that

$$\int_a^b |K(x; t)| dt = \int_a^x (t - a) dt - \int_x^b (t - b) dt = \frac{1}{2} ((x - a)^2 + (b - x)^2),$$

and

$$\int_a^b f'(t) K(x; t) dt = (b - a)f(x) - \int_a^b f(x) dx. \tag{4}$$

## 2. Main Results

**Theorem 1.** Let  $f : \mathbf{I} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , where  $\mathbf{I}$  is an interval, be a function differentiable in the interior  $\mathbf{I}^0$  of  $\mathbf{I}$ , and let  $[a, b] \subset \mathbf{I}^0$ . If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  and  $x \in [a, b]$  then the following inequality holds

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^x (t - a) \alpha(t) dt + \int_x^b (t - b) \beta(t) dt \right) &\leq f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^x (t - a) \beta(t) dt + \int_x^b (t - b) \alpha(t) dt \right). \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

**Proof.** By referring to the kernel (3) and identity (4) first we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b K(x; t) \left( f'(t) - \frac{\alpha(t) + \beta(t)}{2} \right) dt \\ &= (b - a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_a^b K(x; t) (\alpha(t) + \beta(t)) dt \right) \\ &= (b - a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_a^x (t - a) (\alpha(t) + \beta(t)) dt + \int_x^b (t - b) (\alpha(t) + \beta(t)) dt \right). \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Also, the given assumption  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  implies that

$$\left| f'(t) - \frac{\alpha(t) + \beta(t)}{2} \right| \leq \frac{\beta(t) - \alpha(t)}{2}. \tag{7}$$

Therefore, from (6) and (7) one can conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (b - a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_a^x (t - a) (\alpha(t) + \beta(t)) dt + \int_x^b (t - b) (\alpha(t) + \beta(t)) dt \right) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_a^b K(x; t) \left( f'(t) - \frac{\alpha(t) + \beta(t)}{2} \right) dt \right| \leq \int_a^b |K(x; t)| \frac{\beta(t) - \alpha(t)}{2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_a^x (t - a) (\beta(t) - \alpha(t)) dt - \int_x^b (t - b) (\beta(t) - \alpha(t)) dt \right). \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

By re-arranging (8), the main inequality (5) will be derived.

Theorem 1 is actually remarkable as it improves all previous results which made use of the Lebesgue norms of  $f'(x)$  in (1) and (2). Moreover, a further advantage of this theorem is that necessary computations in bounds (5) are just in terms of the pre-assigned functions  $\alpha(t), \beta(t)$  (not  $f'$ ).

**Special case 1.** Suppose that  $f'(x)$  is bounded at two arbitrary linear functions, e.g.  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_1 x + \alpha_0 \neq 0$  and  $\beta(x) = \beta_1 x + \beta_0 \neq 0$ . In this case, the main inequality (5) takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left( \frac{\alpha_1}{3} (x - a) + \frac{\alpha_0 + a\alpha_1}{2} \right) - \frac{(x-b)^2}{b-a} \left( \frac{\beta_1}{3} (x - b) + \frac{\beta_0 + b\beta_1}{2} \right) \\ & \leq f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \\ & \frac{(x-a)^2}{b-a} \left( \frac{\beta_1}{3} (x - a) + \frac{\beta_0 + a\beta_1}{2} \right) - \frac{(x-b)^2}{b-a} \left( \frac{\alpha_1}{3} (x - b) + \frac{\alpha_0 + b\alpha_1}{2} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

In [2], Dragomir obtained a special case of (5) for  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_0 \neq 0$  and  $\beta(x) = \beta_0 \neq 0$  as follows

$$\frac{\alpha_0(x - a)^2 - \beta_0(b - x)^2}{2(b - a)} \leq f(x) - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \frac{\beta_0(x - a)^2 - \alpha_0(b - x)^2}{2(b - a)},$$

which is exactly a special case of (9) for  $\alpha_1 = \beta_1 = 0$ .

**Remark 1.** Although  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  is a straightforward condition in theorem 1, sometimes one might not be able to easily obtain both bounds of  $\alpha(x)$  and  $\beta(x)$  for  $f'(x)$ . In this case, we can make use of two analogue theorems. The first one would be helpful when  $f'$  is unbounded from above and the second one would be helpful when  $f'$  is unbounded from below.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , where  $I$  is an interval, be a function differentiable in the interior  $I^0$  of  $I$ , and let  $[a, b] \subset I^0$ .

If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x)$  for any  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  and  $x \in [a, b]$  then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^x (t-a) \alpha(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b) \alpha(t) dt - \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( f(b) - f(a) - \int_a^b \alpha(t) dt \right) \right) \\ & \leq f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \\ & \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^x (t-a) \alpha(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b) \alpha(t) dt + \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( f(b) - f(a) - \int_a^b \alpha(t) dt \right) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

**Proof.** Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b K(x; t) (f'(t) - \alpha(t)) dt \\ & = (b-a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \left( \int_a^b K(x; t) \alpha(t) dt \right) \\ & = (b-a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \left( \int_a^x (t-a) \alpha(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b) \alpha(t) dt \right), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (b-a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \left( \int_a^x (t-a) \alpha(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b) \alpha(t) dt \right) \right| \\ & = \left| \int_a^b K(x; t) (f'(t) - \alpha(t)) dt \right| \leq \int_a^b |K(x; t)| (f'(t) - \alpha(t)) dt \\ & \leq \max_{t \in [a, b]} |K(x; t)| \int_a^b (f'(t) - \alpha(t)) dt = \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( f(b) - f(a) - \int_a^b \alpha(t) dt \right). \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

By re-arranging (11), inequality (10) will be derived.

**Special case 2.** If  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_0 \neq 0$  then (10) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \alpha_0 \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} - \alpha_0 \right) \leq f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \\ & \leq \alpha_0 \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) + \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} - \alpha_0 \right). \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , where  $I$  is an interval, be a function differentiable in the interior  $I^0$  of  $I$ , and let  $[a, b] \subset I^0$ . If  $f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  and  $x \in [a, b]$  then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^x (t-a) \beta(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b) \beta(t) dt - \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( \int_a^b \beta(t) dt - f(b) + f(a) \right) \right) \\ & \leq f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \\ & \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^x (t-a) \beta(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b) \beta(t) dt + \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( \int_a^b \beta(t) dt - f(b) + f(a) \right) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

**Proof.** Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b K(x; t) (f'(t) - \beta(t)) dt \\ & = (b-a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \left( \int_a^b K(x; t) \beta(t) dt \right) \\ & = (b-a) f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \left( \int_a^x (t-a) \beta(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b) \beta(t) dt \right), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (b-a)f(x) - \int_a^b f(t) dt - \left( \int_a^x (t-a)\beta(t) dt + \int_x^b (t-b)\beta(t) dt \right) \right| \\ &= \left| \int_a^b K(x;t) (f'(t) - \beta(t)) dt \right| \leq \int_a^b |K(x;t)| (\beta(t) - f'(t)) dt \\ &\leq \max_{t \in [a,b]} |K(x;t)| \int_a^b (\beta(t) - f'(t)) dt = \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( \int_a^b \beta(t) dt - f(b) + f(a) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

By re-arranging (13), inequality (12) will be derived.

**Special case 3.** If  $\beta(x) = \beta_0 \neq 0$  then (12) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_0 \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) - \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( \beta_0 - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right) &\leq f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \\ &\leq \beta_0 \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) + \max\{x-a, b-x\} \left( \beta_0 - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right). \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Applications in numerical quadrature rules

A general  $(n + 1)$ -point weighted quadrature formula is denoted by

$$\int_a^b w(x) f(x) dx = \sum_{k=0}^n w_k f(x_k) + R_{n+1}(f), \tag{14}$$

where  $w(x)$  is a positive function on  $[a, b]$ ,  $\{x_k\}_{k=0}^n$  and  $\{w_k\}_{k=0}^n$  are respectively nodes and weight coefficients and  $R_{n+1}(f)$  is the corresponding error [18].

Let  $\Pi_d$  be the set of algebraic polynomials of degree at most  $d$ . The quadrature formula (14) has degree of exactness  $d$  if for every  $p \in \Pi_d$  we have  $R_{n+1}(p) = 0$ . In addition, if  $R_{n+1}(p) \neq 0$  for some  $\Pi_{d+1}$ , formula (14) has precise degree of exactness  $d$ . The convergence order of quadrature formula (14) depends on the smoothness of the function  $f$  as well as on its degree of exactness. It is well known that for given  $n + 1$  mutually different nodes  $\{x_k\}_{k=0}^n$  we can always achieve a degree of exactness  $d = n$  by interpolating at these nodes and integrating the interpolated polynomial instead of  $f$ . Namely, taking the node polynomial

$$\Psi_{n+1}(x) = \prod_{k=0}^n (x - x_k),$$

by integrating the Lagrange interpolation formula

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n f(x_k) L(x; x_k) + r_{n+1}(f; x),$$

where

$$L(x; x_k) = \frac{\Psi_{n+1}(x)}{\Psi'_{n+1}(x_k)(x - x_k)} \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, n),$$

we obtain (14), with

$$w_k = \frac{1}{\Psi'_{n+1}(x_k)} \int_a^b \frac{\Psi_{n+1}(x) w(x)}{x - x_k} dx \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, n),$$

and

$$R_{n+1}(f) = \int_a^b r_{n+1}(f; x) w(x) dx.$$

Note that for each  $f \in \Pi_n$  we have  $r_{n+1}(f; x) = 0$  and therefore  $R_{n+1}(f) = 0$ .

Quadrature formulae obtained in this way are known as interpolatory. If a quadrature is not of the interpolatory type, i.e. if it does not follow the concept of the degree of exactness, then it would be a nonstandard quadrature rule.

Usually the simplest interpolatory quadrature formula of type (14) with predetermined nodes  $\{x_k\}_{k=0}^n \in [a, b]$  is called a weighted Newton-Cotes formula. For  $w(x) = 1$  and the equidistant nodes  $\{x_k\}_{k=0}^n = \{a + kh\}_{k=0}^n$  with  $h = (b - a)/n$ , the classical Newton-Cotes formula including the midpoint rule for  $n = 0$  and  $w(x) = 1$ , the trapezoidal rule for  $n = 1$  and  $w(x) = 1$  and so on are derived. In this section, we use theorems 1, 2 and 3 to obtain new error bounds for midpoint rule and six further nonstandard quadratures as follows

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(f) : \quad & \int_a^b f(x) dx \cong (b - a) f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right), \\ I_2(f) : \quad & \int_a^b f(x) dx \cong (b - a) f(a), \\ I_3(f) : \quad & \int_a^b f(x) dx \cong (b - a) f(b), \\ I_4(f) : \quad & \int_a^b f(t) dt \cong \frac{b-a}{2} \left(-f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b)\right), \\ I_5(f) : \quad & \int_a^b f(t) dt \cong \frac{b-a}{2} \left(f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - f(b)\right), \\ I_6(f) : \quad & \int_a^b f(x) dx \cong (b - a) (2f(a) - f(b)), \\ I_7(f) : \quad & \int_a^b f(x) dx \cong (b - a) (-f(a) + 2f(b)). \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 1.** If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  then by replacing  $x = \frac{a+b}{2} \in [a, b]$  in (5), the error of midpoint rule  $I_1(f)$  can be bounded as

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t - a) \alpha(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t - b) \beta(t) dt &\leq (b - a) f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \\ &\leq \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t - a) \beta(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t - b) \alpha(t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

For instance, if  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_1 x + \alpha_0 \neq 0$  and  $\beta(x) = \beta_1 x + \beta_0 \neq 0$  in (15) then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(b-a)^2}{4} \left( \frac{b-a}{6} (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) + \frac{\alpha_0 + a\alpha_1 - (\beta_0 + b\beta_1)}{2} \right) &\leq (b - a) f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{4} \left( \frac{b-a}{6} (\alpha_1 + \beta_1) + \frac{\beta_0 + a\beta_1 - (\alpha_0 + b\alpha_1)}{2} \right), \end{aligned}$$

provided that  $\alpha_1 t + \alpha_0 \leq f'(t) \leq \beta_1 t + \beta_0 \quad \forall t \in [a, b]$ .

**Corollary 2.** If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  then by replacing  $x = a \in [a, b]$  in (5), the error of nonstandard quadrature  $I_2(f)$  can be bounded as

$$\int_a^b (t - b) \beta(t) dt \leq (b - a) f(a) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \int_a^b (t - b) \alpha(t) dt. \tag{16}$$

For instance, if  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_1 x + \alpha_0 \neq 0$  and  $\beta(x) = \beta_1 x + \beta_0 \neq 0$  then

$$(b-a)^2 \left( \frac{\beta_1}{3}(b-a) - \frac{\beta_0 + b\beta_1}{2} \right) \leq (b-a)f(a) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq (b-a)^2 \left( \frac{\alpha_1}{3}(b-a) - \frac{\alpha_0 + b\alpha_1}{2} \right).$$

provided that  $\alpha_1 t + \alpha_0 \leq f'(t) \leq \beta_1 t + \beta_0 \quad \forall t \in [a, b]$ .

**Corollary 3.** If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  then by replacing  $x = b \in [a, b]$  in (5), the error of nonstandard quadrature  $I_3(f)$  can be bounded as

$$\int_a^b (t-a)\alpha(t) dt \leq (b-a)f(b) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \int_a^b (t-a)\beta(t) dt. \tag{17}$$

For instance, if  $\alpha(x) = \alpha_1 x + \alpha_0 \neq 0$  and  $\beta(x) = \beta_1 x + \beta_0 \neq 0$  then

$$(b-a)^2 \left( \frac{\alpha_1}{3}(b-a) + \frac{\alpha_0 + a\alpha_1}{2} \right) \leq (b-a)f(b) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq (b-a)^2 \left( \frac{\beta_1}{3}(b-a) + \frac{\beta_0 + a\beta_1}{2} \right).$$

provided that  $\alpha_1 t + \alpha_0 \leq f'(t) \leq \beta_1 t + \beta_0 \quad \forall t \in [a, b]$ .

**Corollary 4.** If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  then by replacing  $x = b \in [a, b]$  in (5), the the error of nonstandard quadrature  $I_4(f)$  can be bounded as

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a)\alpha(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t-b)\alpha(t) dt + \frac{b-a}{2} \int_a^b \alpha(t) dt \\ & \leq \frac{b-a}{2} \left( -f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \\ & \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a)\beta(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t-b)\beta(t) dt + \frac{b-a}{2} \int_a^b \beta(t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

**Proof.** To prove (18) we need to use the results of both theorems 2 and 3 simultaneously such that by replacing  $x = (a+b)/2$  in (10) we first obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a)\alpha(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t-b)\alpha(t) dt + \frac{b-a}{2} \int_a^b \alpha(t) dt \\ & \leq \frac{b-a}{2} \left( -f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right) - \int_a^b f(t) dt, \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

provided that  $\alpha(t) \leq f'(t) \quad \forall t \in [a, b]$ . On the other hand, replacing  $x = (a+b)/2$  in (12) gives

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{b-a}{2} \left( -f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \\ & \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a)\beta(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t-b)\beta(t) dt + \frac{b-a}{2} \int_a^b \beta(t) dt, \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

provided that  $f'(t) \leq \beta(t) \quad \forall t \in [a, b]$ . Now, combining two latter results (19) and (20) leads us to inequality (18).

**Corollary 5.** If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  then by replacing  $x = b \in [a, b]$  in (5), the the error of nonstandard quadrature  $I_5(f)$  can be bounded as

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a)\beta(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t-b)\beta(t) dt - \frac{b-a}{2} \int_a^b \beta(t) dt \\ & \leq \frac{b-a}{2} \left( f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - f(b) \right) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \\ & \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} (t-a)\alpha(t) dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b (t-b)\alpha(t) dt - \frac{b-a}{2} \int_a^b \alpha(t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

**Proof.** The proof of (21) is similar to that of corollary 4 if one replaces  $x = (a + b)/2$  in respectively (10) and (12) and then combines them together.

**Corollary 6.** If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  then by replacing  $x = b \in [a, b]$  in (5), the the error of nonstandard quadrature  $I_6(f)$  can be bounded as

$$\int_a^b (t + a - 2b)\beta(t) dt \leq (b - a)(2f(a) - f(b)) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \int_a^b (t + a - 2b)\alpha(t) dt. \tag{22}$$

**Proof.** Again, to prove (22) we need to use the results of both theorems 2 and 3 simultaneously such that by replacing  $x = a$  in (10) we first obtain

$$(b - a)(2f(a) - f(b)) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \int_a^b (t + a - 2b)\alpha(t) dt, \tag{23}$$

provided that  $\alpha(t) \leq f'(t) \quad \forall t \in [a, b]$ . On the other hand, replacing  $x = a$  in (12) gives

$$\int_a^b (t + a - 2b)\beta(t) dt \leq (b - a)(2f(a) - f(b)) - \int_a^b f(t) dt, \tag{24}$$

provided that  $f'(t) \leq \beta(t) \quad \forall t \in [a, b]$ . Therefore, combining two latter results (23) and (24) yields (22).

**Corollary 7.** If  $\alpha(x) \leq f'(x) \leq \beta(x)$  for any  $x \in [a, b]$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in C[a, b]$  then by replacing  $x = b \in [a, b]$  in (5), the the error of nonstandard quadrature  $I_7(f)$  can be bounded as

$$\int_a^b (t - 2a + b)\alpha(t) dt \leq (b - a)(-f(a) + 2f(b)) - \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \int_a^b (t - 2a + b)\beta(t) dt. \tag{25}$$

**Proof.** The proof of (25) is similar to that of corollary 6 if one replaces  $x = b$  in respectively (10) and (12) and then combines them together.

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