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## **INEQUALITIES FOR THE WEIGHTED MEAN OF** *r***-PREINVEX FUNCTIONS ON AN INVEX SET**

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*Abstract.* In this paper, the inequalities for the weighted mean of weakly r-preinvex functions on an invex set are established. As applications, inequalities between the two-parameter mean of weakly r-preinvex functions and extended mean values are given.

### 1. Introduction

The concepts of means are very important notions in mathematics. For example, some definitions of norms are often special means and have explicit geometric meanings [17], and have been applied in fields of heat conduction, chemistry [20], electrostatics [14] and medicine [4].

Recall the power mean  $M_r(x,y;\lambda)$  of order r of positive numbers x, y which is defined by

$$M_r(x,y;\lambda) = \begin{cases} (\lambda x^r + (1-\lambda)y^r)^{\frac{1}{r}}, & \text{if } r \neq 0, \\ x^{\lambda}y^{1-\lambda}, & \text{if } r = 0, \end{cases}$$

see [7].

 $M_{w,f}(p, q; x, y)$ 

In [15, 16], Qi gave the following weighted mean values of a positive function f defined on the interval between x and y with two parameters  $p, q \in R$  and nonnegative weight w, which is not equivalent 0, by

$$= \begin{cases} \left( \int_{x}^{y} w(t) f^{p}(t) dt \middle/ \int_{x}^{y} w(t) f^{q}(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{(p-q)}}, & \text{if } (p-q)(x-y) \neq 0\\ \exp\left( \int_{x}^{y} w(t) f^{q}(t) \ln f(t) dt \middle/ \int_{x}^{y} w(t) f^{q}(t) dt \right), & \text{if } p = q, x \neq y. \end{cases}$$

and  $M_{w,f}(p,q;x,x) = f(x)$ . Let  $x, y, s \in R$ , and w and f be positive and integrable functions on the closed interval [x,y]. The weighted mean of order s of the function f on [x,y] with the weight w is defined in [8] as

$$M^{[s]}(f,w;x,y) = \begin{cases} \left( \int_x^y w(t) f^s(t) dt \middle/ \int_x^y w(t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}, & \text{if } s \neq 0, \\ \exp\left( \int_x^y w(t) \ln f(t) dt \middle/ \int_x^y w(t) dt \right), & \text{if } s = 0. \end{cases}$$

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In addition,  $M^{[s]}(f, w; x, x) = f(x)$ . By taking  $s = p - q, p, q \in R$ , and replacing w(t) by  $w(t)f^q(t)$  in  $M^{[s]}(f, w; x, y)$ , we have that  $M^{[p-q]}(f, wf^q; x, y) = M_{w,f}(p, q; x, y)$ . It is obvious that the weighted mean  $M^{[s]}(f, w; x, y)$  is equivalent to the generalized weighted mean values  $M_{w,f}(p,q; x, y)$ . Taking  $w(t) \equiv 1$ , the mean  $M_{w,f}(p,q; x, y)$  reduces to the two-parameter mean  $M_{p,q}(f; a, b)$  of a positive function f on [a, b] which is given in [18].

The classical Hermite-Hadamard inequality for convex functions states that if  $f : [a,b] \rightarrow R$  is convex, then

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leqslant \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt \leqslant \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}.$$

In [19], Sun and Yang extend the following right hand side of Hermite-Hadamard inequality to the weighted mean of order *s* of a positive *r*-convex function on an interval [a,b]. They obtain more extensive results than the main results in [5, 12, 13, 18].

THEOREM 1. Let f(t) be a positive and continuous function on the interval [x,y] with continuous derivative f'(t) on [x,y], let w(t) be a positive and continuous function on the range J of the function f(t), and let h(t) = t. Then if f is r-convex,

$$M^{[s]}(f, w \circ f; x, y) \leq M^{[s]}(h, wh^{r-1}; f(x), f(y))$$
(1.1)

for any real number s, and if f is r-concave, the inequality is reversed.

In [9], Mohan et al. introduced the definitions of invex sets and preinvex functions. In [1, 2], Antczak investigated some interesting concept of r-invex and r-preinvex functions on an invex set and gave a new method to solve nonlinear mathematical programming problems. In [10], Noor gave some Hermite-Hadamard inequality for the preinvex and log-preinvex functions. Moreover, in [21], Wasim Ui-Haq and Javed Iqbal introduced the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for r-preinvex functions. Quite recently, in [6], Hwang and Dragomir investigated weakly r-preinvex functions on an invex set and established some Hermite-Hadamard's inequalities for a relation of two extended means.

Recall the following definitions of  $\eta$ -path on an invex set that were introduced by Antczak in [3]. Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty set,  $\eta : K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $u \in K$ . Then the set K is said to be invex at u with respect to  $\eta$ , if

$$u + \lambda \eta(v, u) \in K$$

for every  $v \in K$  and  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ . *K* is said to be an invex set with respect to  $\eta$ , if *K* is invex at each  $u \in K$  with respect to the same function  $\eta$ . For  $x \in K$ , a closed and an open  $\eta$ -paths joining the points *u* and  $x = u + \eta(v, u)$  are defined by the notation:

$$P_{ux} := \{u + \lambda \eta(v, u) : \lambda \in [0, 1]\}$$

and

$$P_{ux}^0 := \{ u + \lambda \eta(v, u) : \lambda \in (0, 1) \},\$$

respectively. We note that if  $\eta(v, u) = v - u$ , then the set  $P_{uv} = P_{uv} = \{\lambda v + (1 - \lambda)u : \lambda \in [0, 1]\}$  is the line segment with the end points *u* and *v*.

Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty invex set with respect to  $\eta$ . The class of *r*-preinvex functions with respect to  $\eta$  is introduced via power means given by Antczak in [1]. A function  $f: K \to \mathbb{R}^+$  is said to be *r*-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$ , if there is a vector-valued function  $\eta: K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that

$$f(u+\lambda\eta(v,u)) \leqslant \begin{cases} (\lambda f(v)^r + (1-\lambda)f(u)^r)^{\frac{1}{r}}, & \text{if } r \neq 0, \\ f(v)^{\lambda}f(u)^{1-\lambda}, & \text{if } r = 0. \end{cases}$$

for every  $v, u \in K$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . We note that 0-preinvex functions are logarithmic preinvex and 1-preinvex functions are preinvex functions. It is obvious that if f is r-preinvex, then  $f^r$  is a preinvex function for positive r.

A more natural idea of weakly *r*-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  is investigated via power means given by Hwang and Dragomir, see [6]. Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty invex set with respect to  $\eta$ . A function  $f: K \to \mathbb{R}^+$  is said to be weakly *r*-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$ , if there is a vector-valued function  $\eta: K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$  such that

$$f(u+\lambda\eta(v,u)) \leqslant M_r(f(u+\eta(v,u)),f(u);\lambda)$$

for every  $v, u \in K$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . It is clear that if f is weakly r-preinvex, then  $f^r$  is weakly preinvex for positive r, if f is weakly 0-preinvex, then  $log \circ f$  is weakly preinvex, and if f is weakly 1-preinvex, then f is weakly preinvex.

Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty invex set with respect to  $\eta : K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$ . A function  $f : K \to \mathbb{R}$  is invex with respect to the same  $\eta$ . If the inequality

$$f(u+\eta(v,u)) \leqslant f(v)$$

holds for any  $u, v \in K$ , we say that the function f satisfies the Condition D, see [22]. We note that, if f satisfies the Condition D, f is also an r-preinvex function. In [6], applying the definition of weakly r-preinvex function, Hwang and Dragomire extend the Hermite-Hadamard inequality that involves a mean of two-parameters for weakly r-preinvex functions on an invex set.

In this paper, we shall establish the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for the weighted mean of weakly r-preinvex functions on an invex set. As applications, some inequalities between the two-parameter mean of weakly r-preinvex functions and extended mean values are given. The results are not only to generalize the Hermite-Hadamard inequality given in [10, 21], but also to establish the weighted type inequality, given in [15, 19], for weakly r-preinvex functions on an invex set.

#### 2. Preliminary definition and lemma

In order to obtain our results, we shall introduce the following new definition related to a weighted mean for two-parameters on an invex set.

DEFINITION 1. Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty invex set with respect to a vectorvalued function  $\eta : K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $f, w : K \to \mathbb{R}^+$  be integrable on the  $\eta$ -path  $P_{ux}$ for  $x = u + \eta(v, u)$  where  $v, u \in K$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . Set  $y(\lambda) = u + \lambda \eta(v, u)$ . We define the weighted mean of the function  $f(u + \lambda \eta(v, u))$  on [0, 1] with respect to  $\lambda$  by

$$M_{p,q}(f,w;u,u+\eta(v,u)) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{\int_0^1 w(y(\lambda))f^p(y(\lambda))d\lambda}{\int_0^1 w(y(\lambda))f^q(y(\lambda))d\lambda}\right)^{\frac{1}{(p-q)}}, & \text{if } p \neq q, \\\\ \exp\left(\frac{\int_0^1 w(y(\lambda))f^q(y(\lambda))\ln f(y(\lambda))d\lambda}{\int_0^1 w(y(\lambda))f^q(y(\lambda))d\lambda}\right), & \text{if } p = q. \end{cases}$$

In the special case, q = 0,  $M_{p,0}(f, w; u, u + \eta(v, u)) = M^{[p]}(f, w; u, u + \eta(v, u))$  is the weighted mean of order p of the function f on  $[u, u + \eta(v, u)]$  with the weight w.

Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty invex set with respect to  $\eta : K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $v, u \in K$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . We say that the function  $\eta$  satisfies the Condition C, see [9, 11], if the following two identities

(i) 
$$\eta(u, u + \lambda \eta(v, u)) = -\lambda \eta(v, u)$$

and

(ii) 
$$\eta(v, u + \lambda \eta(v, u)) = (1 - \lambda)\eta(v, u)$$

hold.

In [6], Hwang and Dragomir have given the following lemma for weakly *r*-preinvex functions.

LEMMA 1. Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty invex set with respect to  $\eta : K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$ and suppose that  $\eta$  satisfies Condition C. Let  $u \in K$  and let  $f : P_{ux} \to \mathbb{R}$  for every  $v \in K$ ,  $\lambda \in [0,1]$  and  $x = u + \eta(v,u) \in K$ . Suppose that f is continuous on  $P_{ux}$  and is twice-differentiable on  $P_{ux}^0$  and  $r \ge 0$ . Then f is a weakly r-preinvex function with respect to  $\eta$  if and only if

$$rf^{r-2}(u)\{(r-1)[\eta(v,u)^T\nabla f(u)]^2 + f(u)\eta(v,u)^T\nabla^2 f(u)\eta(v,u)\} \ge 0$$

for r > 0,

$$\{\boldsymbol{\eta}(v,u)^T \nabla^2 f(u) \boldsymbol{\eta}(v,u) f(u) - [\boldsymbol{\eta}(v,u)^T \nabla f(u)]^2\} / f^2(u) \ge 0$$

for r = 0.

#### 3. Main results

In this section, we assume that  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty invex set with respect to a vector-valued function  $\eta : K \times K \to \mathbb{R}^n$ . Applying the definition and lemma in section 2, we have the following theorem which is our main result.

THEOREM 2. Let f be a weakly r-preinvex function on an invex set K with  $r \ge 0$ . Assume that f be a positive and continuous function on  $P_{ax}$  and twice-differentiable on  $P_{ax}^0$  for every  $a, b \in K$ ,  $\lambda \in [0,1]$  and  $a < x = a + \eta(b,a)$ , and let  $\eta$  satisfy Condition C. Let m and M be the minimum and maximum of f on  $P_{ax}$ , respectively. Further, let w, h be positive and continuous on [m, M] with h(x) = x, and let  $g_1, g_2 : (0, \infty) \to R$  and suppose that  $g_2$  is positive and integrable on [m, M] and the ratio  $g_1/g_2$  is integrable on [m, M], then

$$\frac{\int_{0}^{1} w(f(a+\lambda\eta(b,a)))g_{1}(f(a+\lambda\eta(b,a)))d\lambda}{\int_{0}^{1} w(f(a+\lambda\eta(b,a)))g_{2}(f(a+\lambda\eta(b,a)))d\lambda}$$

$$\leq \frac{\int_{f(a)}^{f(a+\eta(b,a))} w(x)h^{r-1}(x)g_{1}(h(x))dx}{\int_{f(a)}^{f(a+\eta(b,a))} w(x)h^{r-1}(x)g_{2}(h(x))dx}$$
(3.1)

for  $f(a) \neq f(a+\eta(b,a))$ ; the right-hand side of (3.1) is defined by  $g_1(f(a))/g_2(f(a))$ for  $f(a) = f(a+\eta(b,a))$ . If  $g_1/g_2$  is decreasing, then the inequality (3.1) is reversed.

*Proof.* Let  $\phi(\lambda) = f^r(a + \lambda \eta(b, a))$  for  $r \neq 0$  and  $\phi(\lambda) = \ln f(a + \lambda \eta(b, a))$  for r = 0. We give only the proof in the case of r > 0 and  $g_1/g_2$  increasing. The proof in the other case is analogous. For convenience, let  $\psi(\lambda) = f(a + \lambda \eta(b, a))$ . Since f is weakly r-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$ , Lemma 1 gives that

$$\phi''(\lambda) = rf^{(r-2)}(a)\{(r-1)[\eta(b,a)^T \nabla f(a)]^2 + f(a)\eta(b,a)^T \nabla^2 f(a)\eta(b,a)\}$$

is positive.

When  $f(a) \neq f(a + \eta(b, a))$ , it is easy to see that inequality (3.1) is equivalent to

$$\frac{\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) g_{1}(\psi(\lambda)) d\lambda}{\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) g_{2}(\psi(\lambda)) d\lambda} \leqslant \frac{\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) \psi^{r-1}(\lambda) g_{1}(\psi(\lambda)) \psi'(\lambda) d\lambda}{\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) \psi^{r-1}(\lambda) g_{2}(\psi(\lambda)) \psi'(\lambda) d\lambda}.$$
(3.2)

Consider

$$I = \int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda))g_{1}(\psi(\lambda))d\lambda \int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\mu))\psi^{r-1}(\mu)g_{2}(\psi(\mu))\psi'(\mu)d\mu \qquad (3.3)$$
$$-\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda))g_{2}(\psi(\lambda))d\lambda \int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\mu))\psi^{r-1}(\mu)g_{1}(\psi(\mu))\psi'(\mu)d\mu \\= \int_{0}^{1}\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda))w(\psi(\mu))g_{2}(\psi(\lambda))g_{2}(\psi(\mu))\psi^{r-1}(\mu)\psi'(\mu) \\\times \Big[\frac{g_{1}(\psi(\lambda))}{g_{2}(\psi(\lambda))} - \frac{g_{1}(\psi(\mu))}{g_{2}(\psi(\mu))}\Big]d\lambda d\mu.$$

Replacing  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  by each other in (3.3) and adding the resulting equations we get

$$I = \frac{1}{2r} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 w(\psi(\lambda)) w(\psi(\mu)) g_2(\psi(\lambda)) g_2(\psi(\mu)) \left[ (\psi^r(\mu))' - (\psi^r(\lambda))' \right]$$
(3.4)  
 
$$\times \left[ \frac{g_1(\psi(\lambda))}{g_2(\psi(\lambda))} - \frac{g_1(\psi(\mu))}{g_2(\psi(\mu))} \right] d\lambda d\mu.$$

If the derivative  $\phi'(\lambda) = (\psi^r(\lambda))' \ge 0$  for all  $\lambda \in (0,1)$ , from  $\phi''(\lambda) = (\psi^r(\lambda))'' \ge 0$ , we always have

$$\frac{1}{r} \big[ (\psi^r(\mu))' - (\psi^r(\lambda))') \big] \Big[ \frac{g_1(\psi(\lambda))}{g_2(\psi(\lambda))} - \frac{g_1(\psi(\mu))}{g_2(\psi(\mu))} \Big] \leqslant 0.$$

From (3.4), we get  $I \leq 0$ . This implies that the inequality (3.2) holds and then (3.1) holds. If the derivative  $\phi'(\lambda) = (\psi^r(\lambda))' \leq 0$  for all  $\lambda \in (0,1)$ , a similar argument gives  $I \geq 0$  and again the inequality (3.1) holds.

Now suppose that  $\phi'(\lambda) = (\psi^r(\lambda))'$  changes sign and  $\phi(0) < \phi(1)$ . Then  $\psi^r(0) \le \psi^r(1)$  and there exists a point  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  such that  $\phi'(\alpha) = (\psi^r(\alpha))' = 0$  and  $(\psi^r(\lambda))' \le 0$  for all  $\lambda \in [0,\alpha]$  and  $(\psi^r(\lambda))' \ge 0$  for all  $\lambda \in [\alpha,1]$ . Therefore, there exists a point  $\beta \in (\alpha,1)$  such that  $\psi(0) = \psi(\beta)$ . Thus

$$\begin{split} &\int_0^\beta w(\psi(\lambda))\psi^{r-1}(\lambda)g_1(\psi(\lambda))\psi'(\lambda)d\lambda\\ &=\int_{\psi(0)}^{\psi(\alpha)} w(\psi(\lambda))x^{r-1}g_1(x)dx + \int_{\psi(\alpha)}^{\psi(\beta)} w(\psi(\lambda))x^{r-1}g_1(x)dx = 0, \end{split}$$

and, similarly,

$$\int_0^\beta w(\psi(\lambda))\psi^{r-1}(\lambda)g_2(\psi(\lambda))\psi'(\lambda)d\lambda=0.$$

Consequently, the inequality (3.1) is equivalent to

$$\frac{\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) g_{1}(\psi(\lambda)) d\lambda}{\int_{0}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) g_{2}(\psi(\lambda)) d\lambda} \leqslant \frac{\int_{\beta}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) \psi^{r-1}(\lambda) g_{1}(\psi(\lambda)) \psi'(\lambda) d\lambda}{\int_{\beta}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) \psi^{r-1}(\lambda) g_{2}(\psi(\lambda)) \psi'(\lambda) d\lambda}.$$
(3.5)

Consider

$$\begin{split} I_2 &= \int_0^1 w(\psi(\lambda)) g_1(\psi(\lambda)) d\lambda \int_{\beta}^1 w(\psi(\mu)) \psi^{r-1}(\mu) g_2(\psi(\mu)) \psi'(\mu) d\mu \\ &- \int_0^1 w(\psi(\lambda)) g_2(\psi(\lambda)) d\lambda \int_{\beta}^1 w(\psi(\mu)) \psi^{r-1}(\mu) g_1(\psi(\mu)) \psi'(\mu) d\mu \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \int_0^1 \int_{\beta}^1 w(\psi(\lambda)) w(\psi(\mu)) g_2(\psi(\lambda)) g_2(\psi(\mu)) \psi^{r-1}(\mu) \psi'(\mu) \\ &\times \Big[ \frac{g_1(\psi(\lambda))}{g_2(\psi(\lambda))} - \frac{g_1(\psi(\mu))}{g_2(\psi(\mu))} \Big] d\lambda d\mu. \end{split}$$

Split the double integral  $I_2$  into two parts

$$\begin{split} I_{21} = &\frac{1}{r} \int_0^\beta \int_\beta^1 w(\psi(\lambda)) w(\psi(\mu)) g_2(\psi(\lambda)) g_2(\psi(\mu)) \psi^{r-1}(\mu) \psi'(\mu) \\ & \times \Big[ \frac{g_1(\psi(\lambda))}{g_2(\psi(\lambda))} - \frac{g_1(\psi(\mu))}{g_2(\psi(\mu))} \Big] d\lambda d\mu, \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} I_{22} = &\frac{1}{r} \int_{\beta}^{1} \int_{\beta}^{1} w(\psi(\lambda)) w(\psi(\mu)) g_{2}(\psi(\lambda)) g_{2}(\psi(\mu)) \psi^{r-1}(\mu) \psi'(\mu) \\ & \times \Big[ \frac{g_{1}(\psi(\lambda))}{g_{2}(\psi(\lambda))} - \frac{g_{1}(\psi(\mu))}{g_{2}(\psi(\mu))} \Big] d\lambda d\mu. \end{split}$$

When  $(\lambda, \mu) \in [0, \beta] \times [\beta, 1]$ , we have  $\lambda \leq \mu$  and  $(\psi^r(\mu))' = r\psi^{r-1}(\mu)\psi'(\mu) \ge 0$  for all  $\mu \in (\beta, 1)$ . Thus  $\psi'(\mu) \ge 0$  for all  $\mu \in (\beta, 1)$  and

$$\frac{g_1(\psi(\lambda))}{g_2(\psi(\lambda))} \leqslant \frac{g_1(\psi(\beta))}{g_2(\psi(\beta))} \leqslant \frac{g_1(\psi(\mu))}{g_2(\psi(\mu))}$$

Therefore we have that  $I_{21} \leq 0$ . By the result proved in case of  $\phi'(\lambda) = (\psi^r(\lambda))' \geq 0$ , we can get  $I_{22} \leq 0$ . Therefore,  $I_2 = I_{21} + I_{22} \leq 0$ . It follows that (3.5) and also (3.1) holds. Finally, if the sign of the derivative  $\phi'(\lambda) = (\psi^r(\lambda))'$  changes and  $\psi(0) \geq \psi(1)$  a similar proof again shows that (3.1) holds.

When  $f(a) = f(a + \eta(b, a))$ ,  $\psi(0) = \psi(1)$ , and so  $\phi(0) = \phi(1)$ . Since  $\phi'' = (\psi^r(\lambda))'' \ge 0$ , we see that  $\phi' = (\psi^r(\lambda))'$  is continuous and increasing for  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . There exists a point  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that  $(\psi^r(\alpha))' = 0$  and  $(\psi^r(\lambda))' \le 0$  for all  $\lambda \in (0, \alpha)$ , and  $(\psi^r(\lambda))' \ge 0$  for all  $\lambda \in (\alpha, 1)$ . Hence

$$\frac{g_1(\psi(\lambda))}{g_2(\psi(\lambda))} \leqslant \frac{g_1(\psi(1))}{g_2(\psi(1))},$$

for all  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . It follows that

$$\int_0^1 w(\psi(\lambda))g_1(\psi(\lambda))d\lambda \leqslant \frac{g_1(\psi(1))}{g_2(\psi(1))} \int_0^1 w(\psi(\lambda))g_2(\psi(\lambda))d\lambda.$$

Therefore, the inequality (3.1) is valid. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.  $\Box$ 

If we take  $g_1(x) = x^p$ ,  $g_2(x) = x^q$  for real numbers p,q in Theorem 2, we get the following weighted type of the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for weakly *r*-preinvex functions on an invex set.

COROLLARY 1. Let f be a weakly r-preinvex function on an invex set K with  $r \ge 0$ . Assume that f be a positive and continuous function on  $P_{ax}$  and twice-differentiable on  $P_{ax}^0$  for every  $a, b \in K$ ,  $\lambda \in [0,1]$  and  $a < x = a + \eta(b,a)$ , and let  $\eta$  satisfy Condition C. Let m and M be the minimum and maximum of f on  $P_{ax}$ , respectively. Further,

*let w*,*h be positive and continuous on* [m,M] *with* h(x) = x, *and let* p *and* q *be real number. If*  $p - q \ge 0$ , *then* 

$$M_{p,q}(f, w \circ f; a, a + \eta(b, a)) \leq M_{p,q}(h, wh^{r-1}; f(a), f(a + \eta(b, a)))$$
(3.6)

for  $f(a) \neq f(a+\eta(b,a))$ ; the right-hand side of (3.6) is defined by  $f(a)^{p-q}$  for  $f(a) = f(a+\eta(b,a))$ . If  $p-q \leq 0$ , then the inequality (3.6) is reversed.

Obviously, the following corollary holds if we take q = 0 in corollary 1.

COROLLARY 2. Suppose that the assumptions in corollary 1 hold. If the real number  $p \ge 0$ , then

$$M^{[p]}(f, w \circ f; a, a + \eta(b, a)) \leq M^{[p]}(h, wh^{r-1}; f(a), f(a + \eta(b, a)))$$
(3.7)

for  $f(a) \neq f(a + \eta(b, a))$ ; the right-hand side of (3.7) is defined by  $f(a)^p$  for  $f(a) = f(a + \eta(b, a))$ . If  $p \leq 0$ , then the inequality (3.7) is reversed.

REMARK 1. Taking p = 1 in (3.7), gives

$$\frac{\int_{a}^{a+\eta(b,a)} w(f(x))f(x)dx}{\int_{a}^{a+\eta(b,a)} w(f(x))dx} \leqslant \frac{\int_{f(a)}^{f(a+\eta(b,a))} w(x)x^{r}dx}{\int_{f(a)}^{f(a+\eta(b,a))} w(x)x^{r-1}dx}.$$
(3.8)

Taking  $w \equiv 1$ , the inequality (3.8) reduces to the inequality given by Ui-Haq and Iqbal in [21]. Further, taking r = 1 or r = 0, the inequality (3.8) reduces to the inequality given by Noor in [10]. So the inequality (3.1) is a greater generalization of the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for weakly *r*-preinvex functions on an invex set.

REMARK 2. When  $\eta(b,a) = b - a$  in Corollary 1, it is clear that the set K is convex, Condition C is satisfied and the function f is r-convex. If  $p - q \ge 0$ , we have

$$M_{p,q}(f, w \circ f; a, b)) \leqslant M_{p,q}(h, wh^{r-1}; f(a), f(b))$$
(3.9)

for  $f(a) \neq f(b)$ ; the right-hand side of (3.9) is defined by  $f(a)^p$  for f(a) = f(b), while if  $p - q \leq 0$  the inequality (3.9) is reversed. We note that the (3.9) is equivalent to the following inequality

$$M_{w \circ f, f}(p, q; a, b)) \leq M_{w h^{r-1}, h}(p, q; f(a), f(b)).$$

Taking q = 0 in (3.9), the inequality (3.9) reduces to (1.1) in Theorem 1. So inequality (3.1) is also more extensive than the results in [5, 12, 13, 18]

The following corollary holds if we take  $w \equiv 1$  in Theorem 2.

COROLLARY 3. Suppose that the assumptions in theorem 2 hold and  $w \equiv 1$ . If  $g_1/g_2$  is increasing on [m,M], then

$$\frac{\int_{0}^{1} g_{1}(f(a+\lambda\eta(b,a)))d\lambda}{\int_{0}^{1} g_{2}(f(a+\lambda\eta(b,a)))d\lambda} \leqslant \frac{\int_{f(a)}^{f(a+\eta(b,a))} x^{r-1}g_{1}(x)dx}{\int_{f(a)}^{f(a+\eta(b,a))} x^{r-1}g_{2}(x)dx}$$
(3.10)

for  $f(a) \neq f(a+\eta(b,a))$ , the right-hand side of (3.10) is defined by  $g_1(f(a))/g_2(f(a))$ for  $f(a) = f(a+\eta(b,a))$ , while if  $g_1/g_2$  is decreasing, the inequality (3.10) is reversed.

REMARK 3. The inequality (3.10) has been given in [6]. It is clear that inequality (3.1) is a weighted type of inequality (3.10).

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