

A NOTE ON INTEGRAL INEQUALITIES OF HADAMARD TYPE FOR LOG-CONVEX AND LOG-CONCAVE FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. In this note, we establish new inequalities of Hadamard type involving several log-convex functions and log-concave functions.

1. INTRODUCTION

The following integral inequality

$$(1.1) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \leq \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}$$

where $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is a convex function with $a < b$ is well known in the literature as the *Hadamard inequality* (see [4]). A function $f : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$, I is an interval in \mathbf{R} , is said to be *log-convex function*, if for all $x, y \in I$ and $t \in [0, 1]$ one has the inequality (see [6, p. 3]):

$$f(tx + (1-t)y) \leq [f(x)]^t [f(y)]^{1-t},$$

f is said to be *log-concave* if

$$f(tx + (1-t)y) \geq [f(x)]^t [f(y)]^{1-t}.$$

Recall that the extended logarithmic mean L_p of two positive numbers a, b is given for $a = b$ by $L_p(a, a) = a$ and for $a \neq b$ by

$$L_p(a, b) = \begin{cases} \left[\frac{b^{p+1} - a^{p+1}}{(p+1)(b-a)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}}, & p \neq -1, 0 \\ \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a}, & p = -1 \\ \frac{1}{e} \left(\frac{b^b}{a^a} \right)^{\frac{1}{(b-a)}}, & p = 0 \end{cases}$$

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where the $L_{-1}(a, b)$ is the logarithmic mean $L(a, b)$. In [2], Dragomir and Mond proved that the following inequalities hold for log-convex function f :

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) &\leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{b-a}\int_a^b \ln[f(x)]dx\right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{b-a}\int_a^b G(f(x), f(a+b-x))dx \\ &\leq \frac{1}{b-a}\int_a^b f(x)dx \leq L(f(a), f(b)) \\ &\leq \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$G(p, q) = \sqrt{pq},$$

is the geometric mean. For the further refinements of (1.1) for log-convex functions and various other results related to (1.1), see [1 – 3] and [5 – 7]. In [6] Pachpatte proved the following inequalities involving two log-convex functions:

Theorem 1.1. *Let $f, g : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be log-convex functions on I and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{2}{b-a}\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \\ (1.2) \quad &\leq \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}L(f(a), f(b)) + \frac{g(a)+g(b)}{2}L(g(a), g(b)). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.2. *Let $f, g : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be differentiable log-convex functions on the interval of real numbers I^0 (the interior of I) and $a, b \in I^0$ with $a < b$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{2}{b-a}\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \\ (1.3) \quad &\geq \frac{1}{b-a}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b g(x)\exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right]dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{b-a}g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\int_a^b f(x)\exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right]dx. \end{aligned}$$

The main purpose of this note is to establish some generalizations of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2 as well as some new inequalities involving several log-convex functions and log-concave functions.

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 2.1. *Let f, g, a, b be as in Theorem 1.1 and $\alpha, \beta > 0$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$. Then the following inequality holds:*

$$(2.1) \quad \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \leq \alpha \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}(f(a), f(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} L(f(a), f(b)) \\ + \beta \left[L_{\frac{1}{\beta}-1}(g(a), g(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\beta}{\beta}} L(g(a), g(b)).$$

Proof. Since f, g are log-convex functions, we have

$$(2.2) \quad f(ta + (1-t)b) \leq [f(a)]^t [f(b)]^{1-t},$$

$$(2.3) \quad g(ta + (1-t)b) \leq [g(a)]^t [g(b)]^{1-t},$$

for all $t \in [0, 1]$. It is easy to observe that

$$(2.4) \quad \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = (b-a) \int_0^1 f(ta + (1-t)b)g(ta + (1-t)b)dt.$$

Using the known inequality $cd \leq \alpha c^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + \beta d^{\frac{1}{\beta}}$ ($\alpha, \beta > 0$ and $\alpha + \beta = 1$), (2.2), (2.3) on the right side of (2.4) and making the change of variable we have

$$(2.5) \quad \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \\ \leq (b-a) \int_0^1 \left\{ \alpha [f(ta + (1-t)b)]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + \beta [g(ta + (1-t)b)]^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right\} dt \\ \leq (b-a) \int_0^1 \left[\alpha \{ [f(a)]^t [f(b)]^{1-t} \}^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + \beta \{ [g(a)]^t [g(b)]^{1-t} \}^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right] dt \\ = (b-a) \left\{ \alpha f^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}(b) \int_0^1 \left[\frac{f(a)}{f(b)} \right]^{\frac{t}{\alpha}} dt + \beta g^{\frac{1}{\beta}}(b) \int_0^1 \left[\frac{g(a)}{g(b)} \right]^{\frac{t}{\beta}} dt \right\} \\ = (b-a) \left\{ \alpha^2 f^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}(b) \int_0^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \left[\frac{f(a)}{f(b)} \right]^{\sigma} d\sigma + \beta^2 g^{\frac{1}{\beta}}(b) \int_0^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \left[\frac{g(a)}{g(b)} \right]^{\phi} d\phi \right\} \\ = (b-a) \left\{ \alpha^2 f^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}(b) \left[\frac{\left[\frac{f(a)}{f(b)} \right]^{\sigma}}{\log \frac{f(a)}{f(b)}} \right]_0^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + \beta^2 g^{\frac{1}{\beta}}(b) \left[\frac{\left[\frac{g(a)}{g(b)} \right]^{\phi}}{\log \frac{g(a)}{g(b)}} \right]_0^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right\} \\ = (b-a) \left[\alpha^2 \left(\frac{f^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}(a) - f^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}(b)}{\log f(a) - \log f(b)} \right) + \beta^2 \left(\frac{g^{\frac{1}{\beta}}(a) - g^{\frac{1}{\beta}}(b)}{\log g(a) - \log g(b)} \right) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (b-a) \left\{ \alpha^2 \left(\frac{f^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}(a) - f^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}(b)}{f(a) - f(b)} \right) L(f(a), f(b)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \beta^2 \left(\frac{g^{\frac{1}{\beta}}(a) - g^{\frac{1}{\beta}}(b)}{g(a) - g(b)} \right) L(g(a), g(b)) \right\} \\
&= (b-a) \left\{ \alpha \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}(f(a), f(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} L(f(a), f(b)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \beta \left[L_{\frac{1}{\beta}-1}(g(a), g(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\beta}{\beta}} L(g(a), g(b)) \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Rewriting (2.5) we get the required inequality in (2.1). The proof is completed.

Remark 2.1. For $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$, the inequality (2.1) reduces to (1.2).

Theorem 2.2. Let $f, g : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be log-concave functions on I and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Further, let $\alpha > 1$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$ (or $\beta > 1$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$). Then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.6) \quad \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx &\geq \alpha \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}(f(a), f(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} L(f(a), f(b)) \\
&\quad + \beta \left[L_{\frac{1}{\beta}-1}(g(a), g(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\beta}{\beta}} L(g(a), g(b)).
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since f, g are log-concave functions, we have

$$(2.7) \quad f(ta + (1-t)b) \geq [f(a)]^t [f(b)]^{1-t},$$

$$(2.8) \quad g(ta + (1-t)b) \geq [g(a)]^t [g(b)]^{1-t},$$

for all $t \in [0, 1]$. Using the known inequality $cd \geq \alpha c^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + \beta d^{\frac{1}{\beta}}$, (2.7), (2.8) on the right side of (2.4) and making the change of variable we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \\
&\geq (b-a) \int_0^1 \{ \alpha [f(ta + (1-t)b)]^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + \beta [g(ta + (1-t)b)]^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \} dt \\
(2.9) \quad &\geq (b-a) \int_0^1 \left[\alpha \{ [f(a)]^t [f(b)]^{1-t} \}^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} + \beta \{ [g(a)]^t [g(b)]^{1-t} \}^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right] dt \\
&= (b-a) \left\{ \alpha \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha}-1}(f(a), f(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}} L(f(a), f(b)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \beta \left[L_{\frac{1}{\beta}-1}(g(a), g(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\beta}{\beta}} L(g(a), g(b)) \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Rewriting (2.9) we get the required inequality in (2.6). The proof is completed.

Theorem 2.3. *Let f, g, a, b be as in Theorem 1.2 and $\alpha, \beta > 0$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$. Then the following inequality holds:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \\
 (2.10) \quad & \geq \alpha f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\
 & \quad + \beta g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f(x) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since f, g are differentiable and log-convex functions on I^0 , we have that

$$(2.11) \quad \log f(x) - \log f(y) = \log\left(\frac{f(x)}{f(y)}\right) \geq \frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y),$$

$$(2.12) \quad \log g(x) - \log g(y) = \log\left(\frac{g(x)}{g(y)}\right) \geq \frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y),$$

for all $x, y \in I^0$. That is

$$(2.13) \quad f(x) \geq f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y)\right],$$

$$(2.14) \quad g(x) \geq g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y)\right],$$

Multiplying both sides of (2.13) and (2.14) by $\alpha g(x)$ and $\beta f(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f(x)g(x) \\
 (2.15) \quad & \geq \alpha g(x)f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y)\right] + \beta f(x)g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y)\right].
 \end{aligned}$$

By taking $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$ in (2.15) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f(x)g(x) \geq \alpha g(x)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] \\
 (2.16) \quad & \quad + \beta f(x)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides of (2.14) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.10).

Remark 2.2. For $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$, $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$, the inequality (2.6) reduces to the inequality (1.3).

Theorem 2.4. Let $f, g : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be differentiable log-concave functions on the interval of real numbers I^0 and a, b, α, β be as in Theorem 2.3. Then the following inequality holds:

$$(2.17) \quad \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \leq \alpha f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\ + \beta g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f(x) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx.$$

Proof. Since f, g are differentiable and log-concave functions on I^0 , we have that

$$(2.18) \quad \log f(x) - \log f(y) = \log\left(\frac{f(x)}{f(y)}\right) \leq \frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y),$$

$$(2.19) \quad \log g(x) - \log g(y) = \log\left(\frac{g(x)}{g(y)}\right) \leq \frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y),$$

for all $x, y \in I^0$. That is

$$(2.20) \quad f(x) \leq f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y)\right],$$

$$(2.21) \quad g(x) \leq g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y)\right].$$

Multiplying both sides of (2.20) and (2.21) by $\alpha g(x)$ and $\beta f(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$(2.22) \quad f(x)g(x) \leq \alpha g(x)f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y)\right] + \beta f(x)g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y)\right].$$

By taking $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$ in (2.22) we have

$$(2.23) \quad f(x)g(x) \leq \alpha g(x)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] \\ + \beta f(x)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right].$$

Integrating both sides of (2.23) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.17).

Theorem 2.5. *Let f, a, b be as in Theorem 1.2 and g be as in Theorem 2.4. Further, let $\alpha > 1$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$, then the following inequality holds:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \\
 (2.24) \quad & \geq \alpha f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\
 & \quad + \beta g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f(x) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since f is differentiable and log-convex functions on I^0 and g is differentiable and log-concave functions on I^0 , we have that

$$(2.25) \quad f(x) \geq f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y)\right],$$

$$(2.26) \quad g(x) \leq g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y)\right].$$

Multiplying both sides of (2.25) and (2.26) by $\alpha g(x)$ and $\beta f(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f(x)g(x) \\
 (2.27) \quad & \geq \alpha g(x)f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x - y)\right] + \beta f(x)g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x - y)\right].
 \end{aligned}$$

By taking $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$ in (2.27) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & f(x)g(x) \geq \alpha g(x)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] \\
 (2.28) \quad & \quad + \beta f(x)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides of (2.28) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.24).

Theorem 2.6. *Let g, a, b be as in Theorem 1.2 and f be as in Theorem 2.4.*

Further, let $\alpha > 1$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$(2.29) \quad \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx \leq \alpha f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx + \beta g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f(x) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx.$$

Proof. Multiplying both sides of (2.20) and (2.14) by $\alpha g(x)$ and $\beta f(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$(2.30) \quad f(x)g(x) \leq \alpha g(x)f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x-y)\right] + \beta f(x)g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x-y)\right].$$

By taking $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$ in (2.30) we have

$$(2.31) \quad f(x)g(x) \leq \alpha g(x)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] + \beta f(x)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right].$$

Integrating both sides of (2.31) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.29).

Theorem 2.7. Let $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be log-convex functions on I and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Further, let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n > 0$ with $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$. Then the following inequality holds:

$$(2.32) \quad \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \alpha_i \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}-1}(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha_i}{\alpha_i}} L(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right\}.$$

Proof. Since f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are log-convex functions, we have

$$(2.33) \quad f_i(ta + (1-t)b) \leq [f_i(a)]^t [f_i(b)]^{1-t},$$

for all $t \in [0, 1]$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Since

$$(2.34) \quad \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx = (b-a) \int_0^1 \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(ta + (1-t)b) dt.$$

Using the inequality $f_1 f_2 \cdots f_n \leq \alpha_1 (f_1)^{\frac{1}{\alpha_1}} + \alpha_2 (f_2)^{\frac{1}{\alpha_2}} + \cdots + \alpha_n (f_n)^{\frac{1}{\alpha_n}}$ and (2.33) on the right side of (2.34) and making the change of variable we have

$$(2.35) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \\ & \leq (b-a) \int_0^1 \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i [f_i(ta + (1-t)b)]^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}} \right\} dt \\ & \leq (b-a) \int_0^1 \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \{ [f_i(a)]^t [f_i(b)]^{1-t} \}^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}} \right\} dt \\ & = (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \alpha_i f_i^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}}(b) \int_0^1 \left[\frac{f_i(a)}{f_i(b)} \right]^{\frac{t}{\alpha_i}} dt \right\} \\ & = (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ (\alpha_i)^2 f_i^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}}(b) \int_0^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}} \left[\frac{f_i(a)}{f_i(b)} \right]^{\sigma} d\sigma \right\} \\ & = (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n \left[(\alpha_i)^2 \left(\frac{f_i^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}}(a) - f_i^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}}(b)}{\log f_i(a) - \log f_i(b)} \right) \right] \\ & = (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n \left[(\alpha_i)^2 \left(\frac{f_i^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}}(a) - f_i^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}}(b)}{f_i(a) - f_i(b)} \right) L(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right] \\ & = (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \alpha_i \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}-1}(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha_i}{\alpha_i}} L(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Rewriting (2.35) we get the required inequality in (2.32). The proof is completed.

Remark 2.3. For $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \cdots = \alpha_n = \frac{1}{n}$, the inequality (2.32) reduces to

$$(2.36) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{n}{b-a} \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \\ & \leq \sum_{i=1}^n [L_{n-1}(f_i(a) - f_i(b))]^{n-1} L(f_i(a) - f_i(b)). \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.4. If we choose $n = 2$ in (2.36), then (2.36) reduces to (1.2).

Theorem 2.8. Let $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be log-concave functions on I and $a, b \in I$ with $a < b$. Further, let $\alpha_1 > 1$ and $\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_n < 0$ with $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$, and let $\sum_{i=1}^j \alpha_i > 0, j = 2, 3, \dots, n$. Then the following inequality holds:

$$(2.37) \quad \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \alpha_i \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}-1}(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha_i}{\alpha_i}} L(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right\}.$$

Proof. Since f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are log-concave functions, we have

$$(2.38) \quad f_i(ta + (1-t)b) \geq [f_i(a)]^t [f_i(b)]^{1-t},$$

for all $t \in [0, 1], i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Since

$$(2.39) \quad \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx = (b-a) \int_0^1 \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(ta + (1-t)b) dt.$$

Using the inequality $f_1 f_2 \dots f_n \geq \alpha_1 (f_1)^{\frac{1}{\alpha_1}} + \alpha_2 (f_2)^{\frac{1}{\alpha_2}} + \dots + \alpha_n (f_n)^{\frac{1}{\alpha_n}}$ and (2.38) on the right side of (2.39) and making the change of variable we have

$$(2.40) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \\ & \geq (b-a) \int_0^1 \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i [f_i(ta + (1-t)b)]^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}} \right\} dt \\ & \geq (b-a) \int_0^1 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \{ [f_i(a)]^t [f_i(b)]^{1-t} \}^{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}} \right] dt \\ & = (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \alpha_i \left[L_{\frac{1}{\alpha_i}-1}(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right]^{\frac{1-\alpha_i}{\alpha_i}} L(f_i(a), f_i(b)) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Rewriting (2.40) we get the required inequality in (2.37). The proof is completed.

Theorem 2.9. Let f, g and $h : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be differentiable log-convex functions on the interval of real numbers I^0 and $a, b \in I^0$ with $a < b$. Then the following

inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 3 \int_a^b f(x)g(x)h(x)dx \\
 \geq & f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b g(x)h(x) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\
 & + g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f(x)h(x) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\
 & + h\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f(x)g(x) \exp\left[\frac{h'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{h\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.41}$$

Proof. Since f, g and h are differentiable and log-convex functions on I^0 , we have that

$$f(x) \geq f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x-y)\right],
 \tag{2.42}$$

$$g(x) \geq g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x-y)\right],
 \tag{2.43}$$

$$h(x) \geq h(y) \exp\left[\frac{h'(y)}{h(y)}(x-y)\right],
 \tag{2.44}$$

for all $x, y \in I^0$. Multiplying both sides of (2.42), (2.43) and (2.44) by $g(x)h(x)$, $f(x)h(x)$ and $f(x)g(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 3f(x)g(x)h(x) & \geq g(x)h(x)f(y) \exp\left[\frac{f'(y)}{f(y)}(x-y)\right] \\
 & + f(x)h(x)g(y) \exp\left[\frac{g'(y)}{g(y)}(x-y)\right] \\
 & + f(x)g(x)h(y) \exp\left[\frac{h'(y)}{h(y)}(x-y)\right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.45}$$

Now, if we choose $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$, from (2.45) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 3f(x)g(x)h(x) & \geq g(x)h(x)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] \\
 & + f(x)h(x)g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{g'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] \\
 & + f(x)g(x)h\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \exp\left[\frac{h'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{h\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x-\frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.46}$$

Integrating both sides of (2.46) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.41). The proof is completed.

Remark 2.5. For $h(x) \equiv 1$, the inequality (2.41) is reduces to (1.3).

Remark 2.6. Since $\frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{2x} > 1$ for $x > 0$, it follows that if we choose $g(x) = h(x) \equiv 1$ in (2.41), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x)dx &\geq f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b \exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\ &= f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \frac{\exp\left[\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)\right] - \exp\left[-\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)\right]}{\frac{f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}(b-a)}(b-a) \\ &> f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)(b-a) \end{aligned}$$

which is the first part of the inequality (1.1).

Theorem 2.10. Let $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be differentiable log-convex functions on the interval of real numbers I^0 and $a, b \in I^0$ with $a < b$. Further, let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n > 0$ with $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$. Then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x)dx \\ (2.47) \quad &\geq \alpha_1 f_1\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f_2(x)f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp\left[\frac{f_1'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f_1\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\ &+ \alpha_2 f_2\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f_1(x)f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp\left[\frac{f_2'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f_2\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx \\ &+ \alpha_n f_n\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \int_a^b f_1(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) \exp\left[\frac{f_n'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}{f_n\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right)}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)\right] dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are differentiable and log-convex functions on I^0 , we have

$$(2.48-1) \quad f_1(x) \geq f_1(y) \exp\left[\frac{f_1'(y)}{f_1(y)}(x - y)\right],$$

$$(2.48-2) \quad f_2(x) \geq f_2(y) \exp\left[\frac{f_2'(y)}{f_2(y)}(x - y)\right],$$

$$(2.48-n) \quad f_n(x) \geq f_n(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n(y)}{f_n(y)}(x-y) \right],$$

for all $x, y \in I^0$. Multiplying both sides of (2.48 – 1), (2.48 – 2), \dots and (2.48– n) by $\alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x)$, $\alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x)$, \dots and $\alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$(2.49) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \geq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1(y)}{f_1(y)}(x-y) \right] \\ + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2(y)}{f_2(y)}(x-y) \right] \\ \vdots \\ + \alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n(y)}{f_n(y)}(x-y) \right].$$

Now, if we choose $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$, from (2.49) we obtain

$$(2.50) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \\ \geq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\ + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\ \vdots \\ + \alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right].$$

Integrating both sides of (2.50) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.47). The proof is completed.

Remark 2.7. If $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \dots = \alpha_n = \frac{1}{n}$, then the inequality (2.47) reduces to

$$(2.51) \quad n \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \\ \geq f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\ + f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\ \vdots \\ + f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx.$$

Remark 2.8. We note that the inequality (2.41) is a special case of the inequality (2.51) when $n = 3$.

Theorem 2.11. Let $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be differentiable log-concave functions on the interval of real numbers I^0 and $a, b \in I^0$ with $a < b$. Further, let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n > 0$ with $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$. Then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \\
 & \leq \alpha_1 f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f_1' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\
 (2.52) \quad & + \alpha_2 f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f_2' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\
 & \quad \vdots \\
 & + \alpha_n f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) \exp \left[\frac{f_n' \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Since f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n are differentiable and log-concave functions on I^0 , we have

$$(2.53-1) \quad f_1(x) \leq f_1(y) \exp \left[\frac{f_1'(y)}{f_1(y)} (x - y) \right],$$

$$(2.53-2) \quad f_2(x) \leq f_2(y) \exp \left[\frac{f_2'(y)}{f_2(y)} (x - y) \right],$$

\vdots

$$(2.53-n) \quad f_n(x) \leq f_n(y) \exp \left[\frac{f_n'(y)}{f_n(y)} (x - y) \right],$$

for all $x, y \in I^0$. Multiplying both sides of (2.53-1), (2.53-2), \dots and (2.53-n) by $\alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x)$, $\alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x)$, \dots and $\alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \leq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1(y) \exp \left[\frac{f_1'(y)}{f_1(y)} (x - y) \right] \\
 (2.54) \quad & + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2(y) \exp \left[\frac{f_2'(y)}{f_2(y)} (x - y) \right] \\
 & \quad \vdots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$+\alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n(y)}{f_n(y)} (x - y) \right].$$

Now, if we choose $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$, from (2.54) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \\ (2.55) \quad & \leq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\ & + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & + \alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides of (2.55) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.52). The proof is completed.

Theorem 2.12. Let f_1, a, b be as in Theorem 2.10 and f_2, f_3, \dots, f_n be as in Theorem 2.11. Further, let $\alpha_1 > 1, \alpha_j < 0, j = 2, 3, \dots, n$ with $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \\ (2.56) \quad & \geq \alpha_1 f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\ & + \alpha_2 f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & + \alpha_n f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Multiplying both sides of (2.48 – 1), (2.53 – 2), \dots and (2.53 – n) by $\alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x)$, $\alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x)$, \dots and $\alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2.57) \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \geq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1(y)}{f_1(y)} (x - y) \right] \\ & + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2(y)}{f_2(y)} (x - y) \right] \\ & \quad \vdots \end{aligned}$$

$$+\alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n(y)}{f_n(y)} (x - y) \right].$$

Now, if we choose $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$, from (2.57) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) \\ & \geq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\ (2.58) \quad & + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & + \alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating both sides of (2.58) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.56). The proof is completed.

Theorem 2.13. Let $f_2, f_3, \dots, f_n, a, b$ be as in Theorem 2.10 and f_1 be as in Theorem 2.11. Further, let $\alpha_1 > 1, \alpha_j < 0, j = 2, 3, \dots, n$ with $\sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i = 1$, then the following inequality holds:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) dx \\ & \leq \alpha_1 f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\ (2.59) \quad & + \alpha_2 f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx \\ & \quad \vdots \\ & + \alpha_n f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \int_a^b f_1(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Multiplying both sides of (2.53 - 1), (2.48 - 2), \dots and (2.48 - n) by $\alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x), \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x), \dots$ and $\alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x)$ respectively and adding the resulting inequalities we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) &\leq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1(y)}{f_1(y)} (x - y) \right] \\
 &\quad + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2(y)}{f_2(y)} (x - y) \right] \\
 &\quad \vdots \\
 &\quad + \alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n(y) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n(y)}{f_n(y)} (x - y) \right]
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.60}$$

Now, if we choose $y = \frac{a+b}{2}$, from (2.60) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(x) &\leq \alpha_1 f_2(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_1 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &\quad + \alpha_2 f_1(x) f_3(x) \cdots f_n(x) f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_2 \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &\quad \vdots \\
 &\quad + \alpha_n f_1(x) f_2(x) \cdots f_{n-1}(x) f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \exp \left[\frac{f'_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)}{f_n \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right)} \left(x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right].
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{2.61}$$

Integrating both sides of (2.61) with respect to x from a to b , we get the desired inequality (2.59). The proof is completed.

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