

## INTERPOLATIONS OF DETERMINANTAL INEQUALITIES OF JENSEN'S TYPE

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As in [1] and [2] we shall use the following notation:

- $\mathcal{M} = \{M \mid M \text{ is a positive definite matrix of order } n\}$ ,
- $|M|$  = the determinant of the matrix  $M$ ,
- $|M|_k = \prod_{j=1}^k \lambda_j$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , where  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the eigenvalues of  $M$  with  $\lambda_1 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$ ,  $|M|_n = |M|$ ,
- $M(j)$  = the submatrix of  $M$  obtained by deleting the  $j^{\text{th}}$  row and column of  $M$ ,
- $M[k]$  = the principal submatrix of  $M$  formed by taking the first  $k$  rows and columns of  $M$ ,  $M[n] = M$ ,  $M[n-1] = M(n)$ ,  $M[0]$  = the identity matrix,
- BBF = the class of Bellman-Bergstrom-Fan quasi-linear functionals  $\sigma_i$ ,  $\delta_j$ , and  $\nu_k$  defined on  $\mathcal{M}$  by

$$\sigma_i(M) = |M|_i^{1/i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$\delta_j(M) = |M| / |M(j)|, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

and

$$\nu_k(M) = (|M| / |M[k]|)^{1/(n-k)}, \quad k = 1, \dots, n,$$

respectively. It is evident that  $\mathcal{M}$  is closed under addition and multiplication by a positive number, i.e. if  $M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $a > 0$ , then

$$M_1 + M_2, aM_1 \in \mathcal{M}.$$

Now, quasi-linearity of the BBF functionals follows from results given in [3, pp. 67, 70, 71] (see also [1,2]), i.e.

$$\phi(pM_1 + qM_2) \geq p\phi(M_1) + q\phi(M_2)$$

for  $M_1, M_2 \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $p, q > 0$ ,  $\phi \in \text{BBF}$ .

More generally, for  $M_i \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $p_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, m$ ),  $P_k = \sum_{i=1}^k p_i$  ( $k = 1, \dots, m$ ),  $\phi \in \text{BBF}$ , we have [2]:

$$\phi\left(\sum_{i=1}^m p_i M_i\right) \geq \sum_{i=1}^m p_i \phi(M_i) \geq P_m \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i)^{p_i/P_m}, \quad (1)$$

what is an interpolating inequality for

$$\phi\left(\frac{1}{P_m} \sum_{i=1}^m p_i M_i\right) \geq \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i)^{p_i/P_m}. \quad (2)$$

Note that (2) is also a generalization of a result from [4].

For  $p_i = 1/m$ , (1) and (2) become

$$\phi\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m M_i\right) \geq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i) \geq \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i)^{1/m}, \quad (3)$$

and

$$\phi\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m M_i\right) \geq \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i)^{1/m}. \quad (4)$$

Here, we shall give some interpolations of inequalities (3) and (4). In there results we shall use the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{k,m} &= \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} \phi\left(\frac{1}{k}(M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_k})\right), \\ g_{k,m} &= \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} \left(\frac{1}{k}(\phi(M_{i_1}) + \dots + \phi(M_{i_k}))\right)^{1/\binom{m}{k}} \\ h_{k,m} &= \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} (\phi(M_{i_1}) \dots \phi(M_{i_k}))^{1/k} \\ r_{k,m} &= \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} \phi\left(\frac{1}{k}(M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_k})\right)^{1/\binom{m}{k}}. \end{aligned}$$

First, we shall prove the following interpolations of the first inequality in (3):

$$\phi\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m M_i\right) = f_{m,m} \geq \dots \geq f_{k+1,m} \geq f_{k,m} \geq \dots \geq f_{1,m} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i). \quad (5)$$

**Proof.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} f_{k+1,m} &= \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k+1}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} \phi\left(\frac{M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_{k+1}}}{k+1}\right) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k+1}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} \phi\left(\frac{M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_{k+1}} - M_{i_j}}{k}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} \phi\left(\frac{M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_k}}{k}\right) = f_{k,m}. \end{aligned}$$

The second inequality in (3) has the following interpolations:

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i) = g_{m,m} \geq \dots \geq g_{k+1,m} \geq g_{k,m} \geq \dots \geq g_{1,m} = \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i)^{1/m}, \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i) = h_{1,m} \geq \dots \geq h_{k,m} \geq h_{k+1,m} \geq \dots \geq h_{m,m} = \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i)^{1/m}. \quad (7)$$

**Proof.** Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} g_{k+1,m} &= \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} \left( \frac{\phi(M_{i_1}) + \dots + \phi(M_{i_{k+1}})}{k+1} \right)^{1/\binom{m}{k+1}} \\ &\geq \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} \left( \prod_{i=1}^{k+1} \left( \frac{\phi(M_{i_1}) + \dots + \phi(M_{i_{k+1}}) - \phi(M_{i_j})}{k} \right)^{\frac{1}{k+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\binom{m}{k+1}}} \\ &= \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} \left( \frac{\phi(M_{i_1}) + \dots + \phi(M_{i_k})}{k} \right)^{1/\binom{m}{k}} = g_{k,m}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} h_{k+1,m} &= \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k+1}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} (\phi(M_{i_1}) \dots \phi(M_{i_{k+1}}))^{1/(k+1)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k+1}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} \left( \frac{\phi(M_{i_1}) \dots \phi(M_{i_{k+1}})}{\phi(M_{i_j})} \right)^{1/k} \\ &= \frac{1}{\binom{m}{k}} \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} (\phi(M_{i_1}) \dots \phi(M_{i_k}))^{1/k} = h_{k,m}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, similar interpolation of (4) is:

$$\phi\left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m M_i\right) = r_{m,m} \geq \dots \geq r_{k+1,m} \geq r_{k,m} \geq \dots \geq r_{1,m} = \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(M_i)^{1/m}. \quad (8)$$

**Proof**

$$\begin{aligned} r_{k+1,m} &= \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} \phi\left(\frac{M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_{k+1}}}{k+1}\right)^{1/\binom{m}{k+1}} \\ &\geq \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_{k+1} \leq m} \left( \prod_{j=1}^{k+1} \phi\left(\frac{M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_{k+1}} - M_{i_j}}{k}\right)^{\frac{1}{k+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\binom{m}{k+1}}} \\ &= \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_k \leq m} \phi\left(\frac{1}{k}(M_{i_1} + \dots + M_{i_k})\right)^{1/\binom{m}{k}} = r_{k,m}. \end{aligned}$$

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## GENERALIZATIONS OF OPIAL-TYPE INEQUALITIES IN TWO VARIABLES

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**Abstract.** In this paper some generalizations of the existing Opial-type inequalities in two variables are established. Such integral inequalities have a wide range of applications in the study of differential and integral equations.

### 1. Introduction

The Opial-type inequalities are among a handful of celebrated integral inequalities which plays an important role in the study of many differential and integral equations. The first Opial-type inequality is the following one obtained by Opial.

**Theorem ([5]).** *If  $f \in \mathcal{L}^1[0, h]$  satisfies  $f(0) = f(h) = 0$  and  $f(x) > 0$  for all  $x \in (0, h)$ , then*

$$\int_0^h |f(x)f'(x)|dx \leq \frac{h}{4} \int_0^h |f'(x)|^2 dx .$$

Opial's result has been generalized to many different situations, most of which are for the case of 1 variable (eg; [2], [4], [7], [8]). In [3], several Opial-type inequalities in 2 variables have been established. In this paper, we shall further generalize the results obtained in [3] to more general situations. For other Opial-type inequalities in 2-variables, which are less general, one is referred to, e.g., [6], and the references cited there.

### 2. Main Results

In what follows we shall assume that  $f, g, f_1, g_1, f_{12}$ , and  $g_{12}$  are continuous real-valued functions on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ , where, as usual, the subscripts refer to partial derivatives. Let  $w$  be a positive continuous weight function on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ . Let  $r$  be any positive function on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$  with  $r^{-1} \in \mathcal{L}^1([a, b] \times [c, d])$ .

**Theorem 1.** *If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = 0$  for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$*

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and if  $w(s, t)$  is nonincreasing in each variable, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w|fg|^p(|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q-1} \cdot \int_a^b \int_c^d r^{-1} dt ds \cdot \\ & \quad \int_a^b \int_c^d rw(|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 1$ .

**Theorem 2.** If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = 0$  and  $0 < A \leq w(s, t) \leq B$  for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w|fg|^p(|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q-1} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \cdot \int_a^b \int_c^d r^{-1} dt ds \\ & \quad \times \int_a^b \int_c^d rw(|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 1$ .

**Theorem 3.** If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f(b, t) = g(b, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = f_1(s, d) = g_1(s, d) = 0$  and  $0 < A \leq w(s, t) \leq B$  for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w|fg|^p(|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} \left[\frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{4}\right]^{2p+q-1} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \cdot M \\ & \quad \times \int_a^b \int_c^d rw(|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 1$ , where

$$M := \max \left\{ \int_a^{(a+b)/2} \int_c^{(c+d)/2} r^{-1} dt ds, \int_a^{(a+b)/2} \int_{(c+d)/2}^d r^{-1} dt ds, \right. \\ \left. \int_{(a+b)/2}^b \int_c^{(c+d)/2} r^{-1} dt ds, \int_{(a+b)/2}^b \int_{(c+d)/2}^d r^{-1} dt ds \right\}$$

Before proving these theorems, we first define, for any  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ ,

$$F(s, t) := \int_a^s \int_c^t w(u, v)^{q/(2(p+q))} |f_{12}(u, v)|^q dv du$$

and

$$G(s, t) := \int_a^s \int_c^t w(u, v)^{q/(2(p+q))} |g_{12}(u, v)|^q dv du .$$

Clearly we have  $F \geq 0, G \geq 0$ .

**Lemma 1.** For any  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$  and any real numbers  $p \geq 0, q > 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^s \int_c^t w^{q/(2(p+q))} (FG)^{p/q} [F|g_{12}|^q + G|f_{12}|^q] dv du \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(s-a)(t-c)]^{2p/q} \int_a^s \int_c^t r^{-1} dv du \\ & \quad \times \int_a^s \int_c^t r w (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dv du . \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:** Since

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(s, t) &= \int_c^t w(s, v)^{q/(2(p+q))} |f_{12}(s, v)|^q dv , \\ G_1(s, t) &= \int_c^t w(s, v)^{q/(2(p+q))} |g_{12}(s, v)|^q dv , \\ F_2(s, t) &= \int_a^s w(u, t)^{q/(2(p+q))} |f_{12}(u, t)|^q du , \\ G_2(s, t) &= \int_a^s w(u, t)^{q/(2(p+q))} |g_{12}(u, t)|^q du , \end{aligned}$$

both  $F$  and  $G$  are nondecreasing in each variable. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^s \int_c^t w(u, v)^{q/(2(p+q))} [F(u, v)G(u, v)]^{p/q} \cdot \\ & \quad [F(u, v)|g_{12}(u, v)|^q + G(u, v)|f_{12}(u, v)|^q] dv du \\ & \leq \int_a^s [F(u, t)G(u, t)]^{p/q} [F(u, t)G_1(u, t) + F_1(u, t)G(u, t)] du \\ & = \frac{q}{p+q} \int_a^s [F(u, t)^{(p+q)/q} G(u, t)^{(p+q)/q}]_1 du \\ & = \frac{q}{p+q} F(s, t)^{(p+q)/q} G(s, t)^{(p+q)/q} \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [F(s, t)^{2(p+q)/q} + G(s, t)^{2(p+q)/q}] . \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Now by Hölder's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} F(s, t)^{2(p+q)/q} &= \left[ \int_a^s \int_c^t r^{-q/(2(p+q))} (rw)^{q/(2(p+q))} |f_{12}|^q dv du \right]^{2(p+q)/q} \\ &\leq \left[ \int_a^s \int_c^t r^{-q/(2(p+q))} dv du \right]^{(2p+q)/q} \cdot \left[ \int_a^s \int_c^t rw |f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} dv du \right] \\ &\leq [(s-a)(t-c)]^{2p/q} \cdot \int_a^s \int_c^t r^{-1} dv du \cdot \int_a^s \int_c^t rw |f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} dv du \end{aligned}$$

and similarly,

$$G(s, t)^{2(p+q)/q} \leq [(s-a)(t-c)]^{2p/q} \cdot \int_a^s \int_c^t r^{-1} dvdu \cdot \int_a^s \int_c^t rw|g_{12}|^{2(p+q)} dvdu .$$

The lemma now follows by plugging these back into (2).

Q.E.D.

**Proof of Theorem 1:** Since  $w$  is nonincreasing in each variable, by Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(s, t)| &\leq \int_a^s |f_1(u, t)| du \\ &\leq \int_a^s \int_c^t |f_{12}(u, v)| dvdu \\ &\leq w(s, t)^{-1/(2(p+q))} \int_a^s \int_c^t w(u, v)^{1/(2(p+q))} |f_{12}(u, v)| dvdu \\ &\leq w(s, t)^{-1/(2(p+q))} [(s-a)(t-c)]^{(q-1)/q} F(s, t)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

and similarly,

$$|g(s, t)| \leq w(s, t)^{-1/(2(p+q))} [(s-a)(t-c)]^{(q-1)/q} G(s, t)^{1/q}$$

for any  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ . Hence by lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_a^b \int_c^d w|fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ &\leq \int_a^b \int_c^d [(s-a)(t-c)]^{(2p+q)(q-1)/q} w^{q/(2(p+q))} (FG)^{p/q} (F|g_{12}|^q + G|f_{12}|^q) dt ds \\ &\leq [(b-a)(d-c)]^{(2p+q)(q-1)/q} \int_a^b \int_c^d w^{q/(2(p+q))} (FG)^{p/q} (F|g_{12}|^q + G|f_{12}|^q) dt ds \\ &\leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q-1} \cdot \int_a^b \int_c^d r^{-1} dvdu \\ &\quad \int_a^b \int_c^d rw(|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds . \end{aligned} \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

**Proof of Theorem 2:** Since  $0 < A \leq w \leq B$  on  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$ , by Hölder's inequality we have,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(s, t)| &\leq \int_a^s \int_c^t |f_{12}(u, v)| dvdu \\ &\leq A^{-1/(2(p+q))} \int_a^s \int_c^t w(u, v)^{1/(2(p+q))} |f_{12}(u, v)| dvdu \\ &\leq A^{-1/(2(p+q))} [(s-a)(t-c)]^{(q-1)/q} F(s, t)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$



and similarly,

$$|g(s, t)| \leq A^{-1/(2(p+q))} [(s-a)(t-c)]^{(q-1)/q} G(s, t)^{1/q}$$

for any  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ . Hence by lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \int_a^b \int_c^d A^{-(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} [(s-a)(t-c)]^{(2p+q)(q-1)/q} \\ & \quad w (FG)^{p/q} (F|g_{12}|^q + G|f_{12}|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq [(b-a)(d-c)]^{(2p+q)(q-1)/q} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \\ & \quad \int_a^b \int_c^d w^{q/(2(p+q))} (FG)^{p/q} (F|g_{12}|^q + G|f_{12}|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q-1} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \int_a^b \int_c^d r^{-1} dt ds \\ & \quad \times \int_a^b \int_c^d r w (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds . \end{aligned} \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

**Proof of Theorem 3.** We first divide the rectangle  $[a, b] \times [c, d]$  into four rectangles  $[a, (a+b)/2] \times [c, (c+d)/2]$ ,  $[a, (a+b)/2] \times [(c+d)/2, d]$ ,  $[(a+b)/2, b] \times [c, (c+d)/2]$ , and  $[(a+b)/2, b] \times [(c+d)/2, d]$ . By theorem 2, inequality (1) holds when restricted to the rectangle  $[a, (a+b)/2] \times [c, (c+d)/2]$ . Now by analogous statements of theorem 2 (with appropriate choices of the functions  $F$  and  $G$ ), it is readily seen that inequality (1) also holds when restricted to the other three rectangles. Hence the theorem. Q.E.D.

By putting  $r = w^{-1}$  in theorems 1, 2, and 3, respectively, we have

**Corollary 1.** *If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = 0$  for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$  and if  $w(s, t)$  is nonincreasing in each variable, then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q-1} \int_a^b \int_c^d w dt ds \int_a^b \int_c^d (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0, q \geq 1$ .

**Corollary 2.** *If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = 0$  and  $0 < A \leq w(s, t) \leq B$*

for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q-1} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \int_a^b \int_c^d w dt ds \\ & \quad \times \int_a^b \int_c^d (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 1$ .

**Corollary 3.** If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f(b, t) = g(b, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = f_1(s, d) = g_1(s, d) = 0$  and  $0 < A \leq w(s, t) \leq B$  for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} \left[ \frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{4} \right]^{2p+q-1} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \cdot M \\ & \quad \times \int_a^b \int_c^d (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 1$ , where

$$M := \max \left\{ \int_a^{(a+b)/2} \int_c^{(c+d)/2} w dt ds, \int_a^{(a+b)/2} \int_{(c+d)/2}^d w dt ds, \int_{(a+b)/2}^b \int_c^{(c+d)/2} w dt ds, \int_{(a+b)/2}^b \int_{(c+d)/2}^d w dt ds \right\}.$$

By putting  $r \equiv 1$  in theorems 1, 2, and 3, respectively, we have

**Corollary 4.** If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = 0$  for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$  and if  $w(s, t)$  is nonincreasing in each variable, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q} \int_a^b \int_c^d w (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0$ ,  $q \geq 1$ .

**Corollary 5.** If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = 0$  and  $0 < A \leq w(s, t) \leq B$

for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \\ & \quad \times \int_a^b \int_c^d w (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0, q \geq 1$ .

**Corollary 6.** If  $f(a, t) = g(a, t) = f(b, t) = g(b, t) = f_1(s, c) = g_1(s, c) = f_1(s, d) = g_1(s, d) = 0$  and  $0 < A \leq w(s, t) \leq B$  for all  $(s, t) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ & \leq \frac{q}{2(p+q)} \left[\frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{4}\right]^{2p+q} \left(\frac{B}{A}\right)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))} \\ & \quad \times \int_a^b \int_c^d w (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \end{aligned}$$

for any real numbers  $p \geq 0, q \geq 1$ .

Notice that corollaries 4, 5, and 6 are exactly theorems 1, 2, and 3, respectively, in [3]. In general, one would wish that the annoying term  $(B/A)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))}$  in theorems 2 and 3 could be removed. In fact, in [1] it was claimed that this could be done for theorem 3 by requiring  $w$  to be a positive bounded function which is nonincreasing in each variable. However, the proof there contained several crucial mistakes. As a matter of fact, the following examples show that in general one could not remove the term  $(B/A)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))}$  in either theorem 2 or theorem 3.

**Example 1.** Let  $f(s, t) = g(s, t) = st$  on  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ ,  $p = 0$ , and  $r = q = 1$ . Then

$$\int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds = 2 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 w \cdot st dt ds, \quad (3)$$

while

$$\frac{q}{2(p+q)} [(b-a)(d-c)]^{2p+q} \int_a^b \int_c^d w (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 w dt ds. \quad (4)$$

Observe that any positive continuous weight function  $w(s, t)$  which is large in, say  $[0.8, 1] \times [0.8, 1]$  and small elsewhere will make (3)  $>$  (4). Thus in general the term  $(B/A)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))}$  in theorem 2 is not removable.

Notice that example 1 also shows that the nonincreasing property of the weight function  $w$  in theorem 1 is essential.

**Example 2.** Let  $f(s, t) = g(s, t) = st(1 - s)(1 - t)$  on  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ ,  $p = 0$ , and  $q = 1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d w |fg|^p (|fg_{12}|^q + |f_{12}g|^q) dt ds \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 w \cdot st(1 - s)(1 - t) |1 - 2s| |1 - 2t| dt ds, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

while

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{q}{2(p+q)} \left[ \frac{(b-a)(d-c)}{4} \right]^{2p+q} \int_a^b \int_c^d w (|f_{12}|^{2(p+q)} + |g_{12}|^{2(p+q)}) dt ds \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 w |1 - 2s|^2 |1 - 2t|^2 dt ds. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Now it is easy to check that in  $D = [0.4, 0.6] \times [0.4, 0.6]$ , we have  $s(1 - s) > |1 - 2s|$ ,  $t(1 - t) > |1 - 2t|$ . Thus for any positive continuous weight function  $w(s, t)$  which is sufficiently large in  $D$  and small elsewhere, we have (5) > (6). Hence in general the term  $(B/A)^{(2p+q)/(2(p+q))}$  in theorem 3 is essential.

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