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# Generalizations of Some Integral Inequalities Using Riemann-Liouville Operator

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we use the Riemann-Liouville fractional integral operator to generate some new fractional results related to Feng Qi inequality. Our results have some relationships with [W. Liu, Q.A. Ngo and V.N. Huy, Journal of Math. Inequal. Vol. 10, Iss. 2, (2009), 201-212]. Some interested inequalities (Theorems 7,8) of this reference can be deduced as some special cases.

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#### **1** Introduction

In [11], the following interesting integral inequality is proved: Let  $n \in N$  and suppose f(x) has a continuous derivative of the  $n^{th}$  order on the interval [a, b]such that  $f^{(i)}(a) \ge 0$  for  $0 \le i \le n-1$ . If  $f^{(n)}(x) \ge n!$ , then

$$\int_{a}^{b} [f(\tau)]^{n+2} d\tau \ge \left(\int_{a}^{b} f(\tau) d\tau\right)^{n+1}.$$
(1)

In [10], T.K. Pogany established the following result:

$$\int_{a}^{b} [f(\tau)]^{\beta} d\tau \ge \left(\int_{a}^{b} f(\tau) d\tau\right)^{\beta-1},\tag{2}$$

where  $f \in C^1([a, b]), f(a) \ge 0$  and  $f'(\tau) > (\beta - 2)(\tau - a)^{\beta - 3}, \tau \in [a, b]$ . In [6], W.J. Liu, G.S. Cheng and C.C. Li established the following inequality:

$$\int_{a}^{b} [f(\tau)]^{\alpha+\beta} d\tau \ge \int_{a}^{b} (\tau-a)^{\alpha} f(\tau)^{\beta} d\tau,$$
(3)

where where f is a positive continuous function on [a, b] satisfying

$$\int_{x}^{b} [f(\tau)]^{\delta} d\tau \ge \int_{x}^{b} (\tau - a)^{\delta} d\tau; \min(1, \beta) := \delta, x \in [a, b].$$

They also presented some results of type:

$$\int_{a}^{b} [f(\tau)]^{\alpha+\beta} d\tau \ge \int_{a}^{b} g(\tau)^{\alpha} f(\tau)^{\beta} d\tau, \qquad (4)$$

where f and g are positive functions on [a, b].

Many researchers have given considerable attention to (2),(3) and (4) and a number of extensions, generalizations and variants have appeared in the literature, see [1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 12].

The purpose of this paper is to generalize some classical integral inequalities of [7] using the Riemann-Liouville interal operator. For our results, some interested inequalities of [7],( Theorem 7 and Theorem 8), can be deduced as some special cases on [0, t], t > 0.

### 2 Basic Definitions of Fractional Integration

**Definition 2.1:** A real valued function  $f(t), t \ge 0$  is said to be in the space  $C_{\mu}, \mu \in R$  if there exists a real number  $p > \mu$  such that  $f(t) = t^p f_1(t)$ , where  $f_1(t) \in C([0, \infty[).$ 

**Definition 2.2:** A function  $f(t), t \ge 0$  is said to be in the space  $C^n_{\mu}, \mu \in R$ , if  $f^{(n)} \in C_{\mu}$ .

**Definition 2.3:** The Riemann-Liouville fractional integral operator of order  $\alpha \ge 0$ , for a function  $f \in C_{\mu}, (\mu \ge -1)$  is defined as

$$J^{\alpha}f(t) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{0}^{t} (t-\tau)^{\alpha-1} f(\tau) d\tau; \quad \alpha > 0, t > 0, J^{0}f(t) = f(t),$$
(5)

where  $\Gamma(\alpha) := \int_0^\infty e^{-u} u^{\alpha-1} du$ .

For the convenience of establishing the results, we give the semigroup property:

$$J^{\alpha}J^{\beta}f(t) = J^{\alpha+\beta}f(t), \alpha \ge 0, \beta \ge 0, \tag{6}$$

which implies the commutative property

$$J^{\alpha}J^{\beta}f(t) = J^{\beta}J^{\alpha}f(t).$$
(7)

For more details, one can consult [5].

## 3 Main Results

**Theorem 3.1** Let f, g and h be positive and continuous functions on  $[0, \infty[$ , such that

$$\left(g(\tau) - g(\rho)\right)\left(\frac{f(\rho)}{h(\rho)} - \frac{f(\tau)}{h(\tau)}\right) \ge 0; \tau, \rho \in [0, t], t > 0.$$

$$\tag{8}$$

Then we have

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h(t))} \ge \frac{J^{\alpha}(gf(t))}{J^{\alpha}(gh(t))},\tag{9}$$

for any  $\alpha > 0, t > 0$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that f, g and h are positive and continuous functions on  $[0, \infty]$ . Using (8), we can write

$$g(\tau)\frac{f(\rho)}{h(\rho)} + g(\rho)\frac{f(\tau)}{h(\tau)} - g(\rho)\frac{f(\rho)}{h(\rho)} - g(\tau)\frac{f(\tau)}{h(\tau)} \ge 0,$$
(10)

for all  $\tau, \rho \in [0, t], t > 0$ . That is

$$g(\tau)f(\rho)h(\tau) + g(\rho)f(\tau)h(\rho) - g(\rho)f(\rho)h(\tau) - g(\tau)f(\tau)h(\rho) \ge 0,$$
(11)

for all  $\tau, \rho \in [0, t], t > 0$ .

Now, multiplying both sides of (11) by  $\frac{(t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$ , then integrating the resulting inequality with respect to  $\tau$  over (0, t), we get

$$f(\rho)J^{\alpha}gh(t) + g(\rho)h(\rho)J^{\alpha}f(t) - g(\rho)f(\rho)J^{\alpha}h(t) - h(\rho)J^{\alpha}gf(t) \ge 0.$$
(12)

Therefore,

$$J^{\alpha}f(t)J^{\alpha}gh(t) - J^{\alpha}h(t)J^{\alpha}gf(t) \ge 0.$$
(13)

Theorem 3.1 is thus proved.

**Remark 1:** It is clear that on [0, t], Theorem 7 of [7] would follow as a special case of Theorem 3.1 when  $\alpha = 1$ .

Our second result is the following.

**Theorem 3.2** Let f, g and h be be positive and continuous functions on  $[0, \infty[$ , such that

$$\left(g(\tau) - g(\rho)\right)\left(\frac{f(\rho)}{h(\rho)} - \frac{f(\tau)}{h(\tau)}\right) \ge 0; \tau, \rho \in [0, t], t > 0.$$

$$(14)$$

Then for all  $\alpha > 0, \omega, t > 0$ , we have

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f(t))J^{\omega}(gh(t)) + J^{\omega}(f(t))J^{\alpha}(gh(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h(t))J^{\omega}(gf(t)) + J^{\omega}(h(t))J^{\alpha}(gf(t))} \ge 1.$$
(15)

**Proof.** Suppose that f, g and h are positive and continuous functions on  $[0, \infty]$ . From (12), we can write

$$\frac{(t-\rho)^{\omega-1}}{\Gamma(\omega)} \Big( f(\rho) J^{\alpha} gh(t) + g(\rho) h(\rho) J^{\alpha} f(t) - g(\rho) f(\rho) J^{\alpha} h(t) - h(\rho) J^{\alpha} gf(t) \Big) \ge 0$$
(16)

Consequently

$$J^{\omega}(f(t))J^{\alpha}(gh(t)) + J^{\alpha}(f(t))J^{\omega}(gh(t)) \ge J^{\alpha}(h(t))J^{\omega}(gf(t)) + J^{\omega}(h(t))J^{\alpha}(gf(t))$$
(17)

Hence, we obtain (15).

**Remark 2:** (i) Applying Theorem 3.3 for  $\alpha = \omega$ , we obtain Theorem 3.1. (ii) Applying Theorem 3.3 for  $\alpha = \omega = 1$ , we obtain Theorem 7 of [7] on [0, t].

We further have

**Theorem 3.3** Let f and h be two positive continuous functions and  $f \leq h$ on  $[0, \infty[$ . If  $\frac{f}{h}$  is decreasing and f is increasing on  $[0, \infty[$ , then for any  $p \geq 1, \alpha > 0, t > 0$ , the inequality

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h(t))} \ge \frac{J^{\alpha}(f^{p}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h^{p}(t))}$$
(18)

is valid.

**Proof.** Taking  $g := f^{p-1}$ , then by Theorem 3.1, we get

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h(t))} \ge \frac{J^{\alpha}(ff^{p-1}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(hf^{p-1}(t))}.$$
(19)

Now, since  $f \leq h$  on  $[0, \infty]$ , then

$$\frac{(t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}hf^{p-1}(\tau) \le \frac{(t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}h^p(\tau), \tau \in [0,t], t > 0.$$
(20)

Integrating both sides of (20) with respect to  $\tau$  over (0, t), yields

$$J^{\alpha}(hf^{p-1}(t)) \le J^{\alpha}(h^{p}(t)).$$
 (21)

Consequently

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(ff^{p-1}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(hf^{p-1}(t))} \ge \frac{J^{\alpha}(f^{p}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h^{p}(t))}.$$
(22)

Using (19) and (22), we obtain (18).

**Remark 3:** Applying Theorem 3.5 for  $\alpha = 1$ , we obtain Theorem 8 of [7] on [0, t].

Another generalization is the following

**Theorem 3.4** Let f and h be two positive continuous functions and  $f \leq h$ on  $[0, \infty[$ . If  $\frac{f}{h}$  is decreasing and f is increasing on  $[0, \infty[$ , then for any  $p \geq 1, \alpha > 0, \omega > 0, t > 0$ , we have

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f(t))J^{\omega}(h^{p}(t)) + J^{\omega}(f(t))J^{\alpha}(h^{p}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h(t))J^{\omega}(f^{p}(t)) + J^{\omega}(h(t))J^{\alpha}(f^{p}(t))} \ge 1.$$
(23)

**Proof.** Taking  $g := f^{p-1}$ , then by Theorem 3.3, yields

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f(t))J^{\omega}(hf^{p-1}(t)) + J^{\omega}(f(t))J^{\alpha}(hf^{p-1}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(h(t))J^{\omega}(f^{p}(t)) + J^{\omega}(h(t))J^{\alpha}(f^{p}(t))} \ge 1.$$
 (24)

Using the fact that  $f \leq h$  on  $[0, \infty]$ , we can write

$$\frac{(t-\rho)^{\omega-1}}{\Gamma(\omega)} h f^{p-1}(\rho) \le \frac{(t-\rho)^{\omega-1}}{\Gamma(\omega)} h^p(\rho), \rho \in [0,t], t > 0.$$
(25)

Integrating both sides of (25) with respect to  $\rho$  over (0, t), we obtain

$$J^{\omega}(hf^{p-1}(t)) \le J^{\omega}(h^p(t)).$$

$$\tag{26}$$

Using (21) and (26), we can write

$$J^{\alpha}f(t)J^{\omega}(hf^{p-1}(t)) + J^{\omega}f(t)J^{\alpha}(hf^{p-1}(t)) \le J^{\alpha}f(t)J^{\omega}(h^{p}(t)) + J^{\omega}f(t)J^{\alpha}(h^{p}(t))$$
(27)

Now, using (24) and (27), we deduce (23).

**Remark 4:** (i) Applying Theorem 3.7, for  $\alpha = \omega$ , we obtain Theorem 3.5. (ii) Applying Theorem 3.7 for  $\alpha = \omega = 1$ , we obtain Theorem 8 of [7] on [0, t].

#### 4 Open Problems

In this paper, we have investigated some inequalities of Qi type for fractional integral based on [7]. We will continue exploring other inequalities of this type. At the end, we pose the following problems:

**Open Problem 1.** Under what conditions does the inequality

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f^{\delta+\beta}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(f^{\delta+\gamma}(t))} \ge \frac{J^{\alpha}(t^{\mu}f^{\beta}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(t^{\mu}f^{\gamma}(t))}$$
(28)

hold for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \mu$ ?

Open Problem 2. Under what conditions, the inequality

$$J^{\alpha}(f^{\delta+\beta}(t)) \ge \left(J^{\alpha}(t^{\delta}f^{\beta}(t))\right)^{\gamma}$$
(29)

hold for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ ?

Open Problem 3. Under what conditions does the inequality

$$\frac{J^{\alpha}(f^{\delta+\beta}(t))}{J^{\alpha}(f^{\delta+\gamma}(t))} \ge \frac{\left(J^{\alpha}(t^{\delta}f^{\beta}(t))\right)^{r}}{\left(J^{\alpha}(t^{\delta}f^{\gamma}(t))\right)^{s}}$$
(30)

hold for  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, r, s$ ?

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