

Generalized Opial-Type Inequalities on Time Scales

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Abstract

Some dynamic inequalities of Opial-type inequalities are generalized through Jensen's and Hölder's inequalities for convex functions. In particular, Hua's and Rozanova's inequalities on time scales are refined.

1 Introduction

Inequalities involving integrals of a function and its derivative were established by Opial in [9]. They turned out to be one of the most useful inequalities in analysis and have been receiving continuous attention. The results are as follows:

Theorem 1.1. *If $f(x)$ is absolutely continuous on $[0, h]$ such that $f(0) = f(h) = 0$ and $f(x) > 0$ on $(0, h)$, then*

$$\int_0^h |f(x)f'(x)| dx \leq \frac{h}{4} \int_0^h (f'(x))^2 dx. \quad (1.1)$$

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$\frac{h}{4}$ is the best possible constant.

Olech [8] provided a modified version of the result in the following theorem:

Theorem 1.2. *If $f(x)$ is absolutely continuous on $[0, h]$ with $f(0) = 0$, then*

$$\int_0^h f(x)f'(x)dx \leq \frac{h}{2} \int_0^h (f'(x))^2 dx. \quad (1.2)$$

He observed that the absolute value in (1.1) is not necessary. A non-trivial generalization of (1.2) was established by Hua in [6] as:

Theorem 1.3. *Let $x(t)$ be absolutely continuous on $[0, a]$ and $x(0) = 0$. If $l > 0$, then*

$$\int_0^a |x^l(t)x'(t)|dt \leq \frac{a^l}{l+1} \int_0^a |x'(t)|^{l+1} dt. \quad (1.3)$$

Rozanova [11] established the following result:

Theorem 1.4. *Let $f(t)$ and $g(t)$ be convex and increasing functions on $[0, \infty]$ with $f(0) = 0$ and let $p(t) \geq 0$, $p'(t) > 0$, $t \in [\alpha, r]$ with $p(\alpha) = 0$. If $x(t)$ is absolutely continuous on $[\alpha, r]$ and $x(\alpha) = 0$, then*

$$f \left(\int_{\alpha}^r p'(t)g \left(\frac{|x'(t)|}{p'(t)} \right) dt \right) \geq \int_{\alpha}^r p'(t)g \left(\frac{|x'(t)|}{p'(t)} \right) \left[f' \left(p(t)g \left(\frac{|x(t)|}{p(t)} \right) \right) \right] dt. \quad (1.4)$$

Time scale (\mathbb{T}) calculus was initiated by Stefan Hilger [5] in order to create a theory that can unify discrete and continuous analysis. A *time scale* is an arbitrary non-empty closed subset of the real numbers. The three most popular examples of time scale calculus are differential calculus, difference calculus and quantum calculus; that is, $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}$, $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{N}$, $\mathbb{T} = q^{\mathbb{N}_0} = \{q^t : t \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$, where $q > 1$, Kac and Cheung [7]. The Delta derivative f^{Δ} of a function f is defined on \mathbb{T} as:

(i) $f^{\Delta} = f'$ is the usual derivative if $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}$; and

(ii) $f^{\Delta} = \Delta f$ is the usual forward difference operator if $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{Z}$.

The summary of time scale calculus and its applications could be sourced from ([1], [4], [10], [13]) and the references therein.

Saker [12] established the following result on time scale:

Theorem 1.5. *Let \mathbb{T} be a time scale with $a, b \in \mathbb{T}$ and m, n be positive numbers such that $m > 1$. Let r, s be non-negative rd-continuous functions on $(b, c)_{\mathbb{T}}$ such that $\int_a^b r^{-1/(m+n-1)}(t)\Delta t < \infty$. If $y : [a, b] \cap \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is delta*

differentiable with $y(a) = 0$, (and y^Δ does not change sign in $(a, b)_\mathbb{T}$), then one has

$$\int_a^b s(x)|y(x) + y^\sigma(x)|^m |y^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \leq K(a, b, m, n) \int_a^b r(x) |y^\Delta(x)|^{m+n} \Delta x, \tag{1.5}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} &K(a, b, m, n) \\ &= 2^{2m-1} \left(\frac{n}{m+n} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \\ &\times \left(\int_a^b (s(x))^{(m+n)/m} (r(x))^{-n/m} \left(\int_a^x r^{-1/(m+n-1)}(t) \Delta t \right)^{m+n-1} \Delta x \right)^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\ &+ 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \left(\mu^m(x) \frac{s(x)}{r(x)} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{1.6}$$

Throughout this article, we shall assume that a time scale \mathbb{T} has the topology that it inherits from the real numbers with the standard topology. Moreover, we denote $f^\sigma := f \circ \sigma$, where the forward jump operator σ is defined by $\sigma(t) := \inf \{s \in \mathbb{T} : s > t\}$. Also, if $t < \sup \mathbb{T}$ and $\sigma(t) = t$, then t is called right-dense and if $t > \inf \mathbb{T}$ and $\rho(t) = t$, then t is called left-dense. Points that are right-dense and left-dense at the same time are called dense. The graininess function $\mu : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is defined by $\mu := \sigma(t) - t$. If $\mathbb{T}^k := \mathbb{T} - \{m\}$ if \mathbb{T} has a left-scattered maximum m ; otherwise, $\mathbb{T}^k := \mathbb{T}$. We will assume that $\sup \mathbb{T} = \infty$ and define the time scale interval $[a, b]_\mathbb{T}$ by $[a, b]_\mathbb{T} := [a, b \cap \mathbb{T}]$. The aim of this work is to generalize some inequalities of Opial-type by using Jensen’s and Hölder’s inequalities for convex functions.

2 Main Result

2.1 Some adaptations of Hölder’s inequality

Hölder’s inequality on time scale as expressed in [2] states that:

$$\int_\alpha^\beta |f(t)g(t)| \Delta t \leq \left[\int_\alpha^\beta |f(t)|^k \Delta t \right]^{\frac{1}{k}} \left[\int_\alpha^\beta |g(t)|^l \Delta t \right]^{\frac{1}{l}}, \tag{2.7}$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{T}$ and $f, g \in C_{rd}(\mathbb{I}, \mathbb{R})$, $k > 1$ and $1/k + 1/l = 1$.

$$|c + d|^m \leq 2^{m-1}(|c|^m + |d|^m), m \geq 1, \tag{2.8}$$

where c, d are positive real numbers.

Theorem 2.1. *Let \mathbb{T} be a time scale, $f(t)$ be absolutely continuous and non-decreasing function on $[a, b]$, and $0 \leq a \leq b < \infty$ with $f(t) > 0$ for $t > 0$. Suppose that $p \geq l \geq 1, q > 0, 0 < l + q \leq p$ and $\delta > 0$. Then,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b t^{\delta l-1} f^q(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \Delta t \\ & \leq [\delta^{-1}]^{(lp-(l+q)+p)/p} \left[\frac{p}{l+q} \right] \left[\int_a^b (f^p(s)) s^{\frac{lp(1+\delta)}{l+q}-1} \Delta s \right]^{\frac{(l+q)}{p}} \\ & + [\delta^{-1}]^{(lp-(l+q)+p)/p} \left[\frac{p}{l+q} \right] a^{\delta \frac{(l+q)}{p}} \left[\int_a^b f^p(s) s^{\frac{lp(1+\delta)}{l+q}-(1+\delta)} \Delta s \right]^{\frac{(l+q)}{p}} \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

Proof: Suppose $q = 1$ and $p = l + 1$ in (2.9). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_a^b t^{\delta l-1} f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \Delta t \right| & \leq [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta \left[\left| \int_a^b f^{l+1}(s) s^{(l-1)(1+\delta)} \Delta s \right| \right] \\ & + [\delta^{-1}]^l \left[\left| \int_a^b f^{l+1}(s) s^{l(1+\delta)-1} \Delta s \right| \right] \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_a^b t^{\delta l-1} f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \Delta t \right| & \leq [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta \left[\int_a^b |f^{l+1}(s)| s^{(l-1)(1+\delta)} \Delta s \right] \\ & + [\delta^{-1}]^l \left[\int_a^b |f^{l+1}(s)| s^{l(1+\delta)-1} \Delta s \right] \\ & = [\delta^{-1}]^l \left[\int_a^b |f^{l+1}(t)| t^{l+\delta l-1} \Delta t \right] + [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta \left[\int_a^b |f^{l+1}(t)| t^{l-\delta+\delta l-1} \Delta t \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

Rearranging and factoring out $t^{\delta l-1}$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq & \int_a^b t^{\delta l-1} \left[[\delta^{-1}]^l |f^{l+1}(t)| t^l + [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta |f^{l+1}(t)| t^{l-\delta} - \left| f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \right| \right] \Delta t. \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

If $t \geq 0$ on $[a, b]$, then

$$0 \leq \int_a^b \left[[\delta^{-1}]^l |f^{l+1}(t)| t^l + [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta |f^{l+1}(t)| t^{l-\delta} - \left| f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \right| \right] \Delta t. \tag{2.13}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \left| f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \right| \Delta t &\leq \int_a^b [\delta^{-1}]^l |f^{l+1}(t)| t^l \Delta t \\ &\quad + [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta \int_a^b |f^{l+1}(t)| t^{l-\delta} \Delta t. \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

Setting $t^l = b^l$ for $t \in [a, b]$ and $l > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \left| f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \right| \Delta t &\leq [\delta^{-1}]^l b^l \int_a^b |f^{l+1}(t)| \Delta t \\ &\quad + [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta \int_a^b |f^{l+1}(t)| t^{-\delta} \Delta t. \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

Since $|f(t)| = |-f(t)|$, (2.15) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \left| -f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \right| \Delta t &\leq [\delta^{-1}]^l b^l \int_a^b |-f^{l+1}(t)| \Delta t \\ &\quad + [\delta^{-1}]^l a^\delta \int_a^b |-f^{l+1}(t)| t^{-\delta} \Delta t. \end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

Suppose $\delta = (1 + l)^{\frac{1}{l}}$ in (2.16). Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \left| -f(t) \left[\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s \right]^l \right| \Delta t &\leq \frac{b^l}{l+1} \int_a^b |-f^{l+1}(t)| \Delta t \\ &\quad + \frac{b^l}{l+1} a^{(l+1)^{\frac{1}{l}}} \int_a^b |-f^{l+1}(t)| t^{-\delta} \Delta t. \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

Replacing $\int_t^b f(s) \Delta s = x(t)$ and $|-f(t)| = |x^\Delta(t)|$ in (2.17) lead to

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b |x(t)|^l |x^\Delta(t)| \Delta t &\leq \frac{b^l}{l+1} \int_a^b |x^\Delta(t)|^{l+1} \Delta t \\ &\quad + \frac{b^l}{l+1} a^{(l+1)^{\frac{1}{l}}} \int_a^b |x^\Delta(t)|^{l+1} \Delta t. \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

Let $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}$ and $a \rightarrow 0$ in (2.18). Setting

(i) $b = h$, $l = 1$, $x' = f' = x^\Delta$, we have (1.2);

while setting

(ii) $x' = x^\Delta$, we have (1.3). Hence the proof is complete.

2.2 Generalization of Rozanova's Inequality on Time-scale

Theorem 2.2. *Let $f(t)$ and $g(t)$ be convex and increasing functions on $[0, \infty]$ with $f(0) = 0$ and let $p(t) \geq 0$, $p^\Delta(t) > 0$, $t \in [\alpha, \tau]$ with $p(\alpha) = 0$. If $x(t)$ is absolutely continuous on $[\alpha, \tau]$ and $x(\alpha) = 0$, then*

$$f \left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^\Delta(t) g \left(\frac{|x^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right) \Delta t \right) \geq \int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^\Delta(t) g \left(\frac{|x^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right) \left[f^\Delta \left(p(t) g \left(\frac{|x(t)|}{p(t)} \right) \right) \right] \Delta t.$$

Proof: Let $y(t) = \int_{\alpha}^t |x^\Delta(s)| \Delta s$, $t \in [\alpha, \tau]$. Then $y^\Delta(t) = |x^\Delta(t)|$ and $y(t) \geq |x(t)|$. By using Jensen's inequality and by setting $\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} \Delta \lambda(t) = 1$, we have

$$f \left[\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} \psi(t) \Delta \lambda(t) \right] \geq \left[\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} f(\psi(t)) \Delta \lambda(t) \right], \quad (2.19)$$

with $\psi(t) = g \left(\frac{|x^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right)$ and $\Delta \lambda(t) = p^\Delta(t) dt$. For any convex functions $f(u) = u^l$

$$\left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} \psi(t) \Delta \lambda(t) \right)^l = \left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^\Delta(t) g \left(\frac{|x^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right) \Delta t \right)^l. \quad (2.20)$$

Hence

$$\left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^\Delta(t) g \left(\frac{|x^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right) \Delta t \right)^l = f \left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^\Delta(t) g \left(\frac{|x^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right) \Delta t \right), \quad (2.21)$$

which implies

$$\left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^\Delta(t) g \left(\frac{|x^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right) \Delta t \right)^l = f \left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^\Delta(t) g \left(\frac{|y^\Delta(t)|}{p^\Delta(t)} \right) \Delta t \right). \quad (2.22)$$

The right hand side of (2.22) can be written as greater than or equal to:

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} \left[f \left(\int_{\alpha}^t p^\Delta(s) g \left(\frac{|y^\Delta(s)|}{p^\Delta(s)} \right) \Delta s \right) \Delta t \right]^\Delta. \quad (2.23)$$

Hence

$$f \left(\int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^{\Delta}(t) g \left(\frac{|x^{\Delta}(t)|}{p^{\Delta}(t)} \right) \Delta t \right) \geq \int_{\alpha}^{\tau} p^{\Delta}(t) g \left(\frac{|x^{\Delta}(t)|}{p^{\Delta}(t)} \right) \left[f^{\Delta} \left(p(t) g \left(\frac{|x(t)|}{p(t)} \right) \right) \right] \Delta t.$$

The proof is complete.

Theorem 2.3. *Let \mathbb{T} be a time scale with $a, b \in \mathbb{T}$ and m, n be positive real numbers such that $m > 1$. If $y : [a, b] \cap \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is delta differentiable with $y(a) = 0$, (and y^{Δ} does not change sign in $(a, b)_{\mathbb{T}}$), then*

$$\int_a^b |y(x) + y^{\sigma}(x)|^m |y^{\Delta}(x)|^n \Delta x \leq K(a, b, m, n) \int_a^b |y^{\Delta}(x)|^{m+n} \Delta x, \quad (2.24)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} K(a, b, m, n) &= 2^{2m-1} \left(\frac{n}{m+n} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \\ &\times \left(\int_a^b (r(x))^{-n/m} \left(\int_a^x r^{-1/(m+n-1)}(t) \Delta t \right)^{m+n-1} \Delta x \right)^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\ &+ 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \left(\mu^m(x) \frac{1}{r(x)} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.25)$$

Proof: Since $x \in [a, b]_{\mathbb{T}}$,

$$|f(x)| = \int_a^x |f^{\Delta}(t)| \Delta t. \quad (2.26)$$

Then

$$|f(x)| = \int_a^x \frac{1}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n)}} (r(t))^{1/(m+n)} |f^{\Delta}(t)| \Delta t. \quad (2.27)$$

By inequality (2.7),

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} f(t) &= \frac{1}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n)}}, & g(t) &= (r(t))^{1/(m+n)} |f^{\Delta}(t)| \Delta t, \\ k &= \frac{m+n}{m+n-1}, & l &= m+n \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2.28)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^x |f^{\Delta}(t)| \Delta t &\leq \left(\int_a^x \frac{1}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}} \Delta t \right)^{\frac{m+n-1}{m+n}} \\ &\times \left(\int_a^x r(t) |f^{\Delta}(t)|^{m+n} \Delta t \right)^{\frac{1}{m+n}}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.29)$$

For $a \leq x \leq b$,

$$\int_a^x |f(x)|^m \leq \left(\int_a^x \frac{1}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}} \Delta t \right)^{\frac{m(m+n-1)}{m+n}} \times \left(\int_a^x r(t) |f^\Delta(t)|^{m+n} \Delta t \right)^{\frac{m}{m+n}}. \quad (2.30)$$

Since

$$f^\sigma(t) = f(t) + \mu(t)f^\Delta(t), \quad (2.31)$$

adding $f(t)$ to both sides of (2.31), we have

$$f(t) + f^\sigma(t) = 2f(t) + \mu(t)f^\Delta(t). \quad (2.32)$$

Applying (2.8) on (2.32),

$$\begin{aligned} |f(t) + f^\sigma(t)|^m &\leq 2^{m-1} (2^m |f(t)|^m + \mu^m(t) |f^\Delta(t)|^m) \\ &= 2^{2m-1} |f(t)|^m + 2^{m-1} \mu^m(t) |f^\Delta(t)|^m. \end{aligned} \quad (2.33)$$

Set

$$q(x) = \int_a^x r(t) |f^\Delta(t)|^{m+n} \Delta t, \quad (2.34)$$

$$q^\Delta(x) = r(x) |f^\Delta(x)|^{m+n}. \quad (2.35)$$

From (2.35), we have

$$|f^\Delta(x)|^{m+n} = \frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)} \Rightarrow |f^\Delta(x)|^n = \left(\frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}}. \quad (2.36)$$

Multiplying $|f^\Delta(x)|^n$ by (2.33), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n &\leq 2^{2m-1} |f(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n + 2^{m-1} \mu^m(x) \\ &\times |f^\Delta(x)|^{m+n} = 2^{2m-1} |f(x)|^m \left(\frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} + 2^{m-1} \mu^m(x) \left(\frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)} \right) \\ &= 2^{2m-1} |f(x)|^m \left(\frac{1}{r(x)} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{n}{m+n}} + 2^{m-1} \mu^m(x) \left(\frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.37)$$

Substituting (2.30) into (2.37), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \leq 2^{2m-1} |f(x)|^m \left(\frac{1}{r(x)}\right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \\
 & + 2^{m-1} \mu^m(x) \left(\frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)}\right) \leq 2^{2m-1} \left(\frac{1}{r(x)}\right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \\
 & \times \left(\int_a^x \frac{1}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}} \Delta t\right)^{\frac{m(m+n-1)}{m+n}} \left(\int_a^x r(t) |f^\Delta(t)|^{m+n} \Delta t\right)^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\
 & + 2^{m-1} \mu^m(x) \left(\frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)}\right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.38}$$

Also, substituting (2.35) into (2.38), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_a^b |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \leq 2^{2m-1} \int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{r(x)}\right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \Delta x \\
 & \times \left(\int_a^x \frac{1}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}} \Delta t\right)^{\frac{m(m+n-1)}{m+n}} (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\
 & + 2^{m-1} \mu^m(x) \int_a^b \left(\frac{q^\Delta(x)}{r(x)}\right) \Delta x.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.39}$$

Rearranging the right hand side of (2.39), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_a^b |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \leq 2^{2m-1} \int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{r(x)}\right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \\
 & \times \left(\int_a^x \frac{1}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}} \Delta t\right)^{\frac{m(m+n-1)}{m+n}} \int_a^b (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{n}{m+n}} (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \Delta x \\
 & + 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \left(\frac{\mu^m(x)}{r(x)}\right) \int_a^b q^\Delta(x) \Delta x.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.40}$$

Using Hölder’s inequality with indices $\frac{m+n}{m}$ and $\frac{m+n}{n}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_a^b |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \\
 & \leq 2^{2m-1} \left[\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{r(x)}\right)^{\frac{n}{m}} \left(\int_a^x \frac{\Delta t}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}}\right)^{(m+n-1)} \Delta x \right]^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\
 & \times \int_a^b \left((q^\Delta(x)) (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{m}{n}} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} + 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \left(\frac{\mu^m(x)}{r(x)}\right) \int_a^b q^\Delta(x) \Delta x.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.41}$$

Bohner and Peterson [3] stated that:

$$(q^\Delta(x)) (q^\Delta(x))^{\frac{m}{n}} \leq \frac{n}{m+n} \left(q^{\frac{m+n}{n}}(x) \right)^\Delta. \quad (2.42)$$

Substituting (2.42) into (2.41) and simplifying, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \\ & \leq 2^{2m-1} \left[\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{r(x)} \right)^{\frac{n}{m}} \left(\int_a^x \frac{\Delta t}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}} \right)^{(m+n-1)} \Delta x \right]^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\ & \times \left(\frac{n}{m+n} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \int_a^b q^\Delta(x) \Delta x \\ & + 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \left(\frac{\mu^m(x)}{r(x)} \right) \int_a^b q^\Delta(x) \Delta x. \end{aligned} \quad (2.43)$$

Set $\int_a^b q^\Delta(x) \Delta x = q(x)$. Then (2.43) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \\ & \leq 2^{2m-1} \left[\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{r(x)} \right)^{\frac{n}{m}} \left(\int_a^x \frac{\Delta t}{(r(t))^{1/(m+n-1)}} \right)^{(m+n-1)} \Delta x \right]^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\ & \times \left(\frac{n}{m+n} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} q(x) + 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \left(\frac{\mu^m(x)}{r(x)} \right) q(x). \end{aligned} \quad (2.44)$$

Factoring out $q(x)$ in (2.44) and setting $r(x) = 1$, we get

$$\int_a^b |f(x) + f^\sigma(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \leq K(a, b, m, n) \int_a^b |f^\Delta(x)|^{m+n} \Delta x. \quad (2.45)$$

From the chain rule in time scale,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b (x-a)^{m+n-1} \Delta x & \leq \frac{1}{m+n} \int_a^b ((x-a)^{m+n})^\Delta \\ & = \frac{(b-a)^{m+n}}{m+n}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.46)$$

Substituting (2.46) into (2.25) with $r(t) = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 K(a, b, m, n) &= 2^{2m-1} \left(\frac{n}{m+n} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \left(\int_a^b (x-a)^{(m+n-1)} \Delta x \right)^{\frac{m}{m+n}} \\
 &\quad + 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \mu^m(x) \\
 &= 2^{2m-1} \left(\frac{n}{m+n} \right)^{\frac{n}{m+n}} \left(\frac{(b-a)^{m+n}}{m+n} \right)^{\frac{m}{m+n}} + 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \mu^m(x) \\
 &\leq 2^{2m-1} \frac{n^{n/(m+n)}}{m+n} (b-a)^m + 2^{m-1} \sup_{a \leq x \leq b} \mu^m(x).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.47}$$

Let $f^\sigma(x) = f(x)$, $\mu(x) = 0$ and substitute (2.47) into (2.45). This implies,

$$\int_a^b |f(x)|^m |f^\Delta(x)|^n \Delta x \leq 2^{2m-1} \frac{n^{n/(m+n)}}{m+n} (b-a)^m \int_a^b |f^\Delta(x)|^{m+n} \Delta x. \tag{2.48}$$

Remark: Each of the following two cases yields an Opial-type inequality.

- (i) If $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}$ and set $m = n = 1$ and $b = h, a = 0$; and
- (ii) If $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}$ and set $m = \frac{1}{2}, n = 1$ and $b = h, a = 0$.

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