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# Sharp Integral Inequalities Based on a General Four-Point Quadrature Formula via a Generalization of the Montgomery Identity

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We consider families of general four-point quadrature formulae using a generalization of the Montgomery identity via Taylor's formula. The results are applied to obtain some sharp inequalities for functions whose derivatives belong to  $L_p$  spaces. Generalizations of Simpson's 3/8 formula and the Lobatto four-point formula with related inequalities are considered as special cases.

## 1. Introduction

The most elementary quadrature rules in four nodes are Simpson's 3/8 rule based on the following four point formula

$$\int_a^b f(t) dt = \frac{b-a}{8} \left[ f(a) + 3f\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) + 3f\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) + f(b) \right] - \frac{(b-a)^5}{6480} f^{(4)}(\xi), \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\xi \in [a, b]$ , and Lobatto rule based on the following four point formula

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt = \frac{1}{6} \left[ f(-1) + 5f\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}\right) + 5f\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}\right) + f(1) \right] - \frac{2}{23625} f^{(6)}(\eta), \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\eta \in [-1, 1]$ . Formula (1.1) is valid for any function  $f$  with a continuous fourth derivative  $f^{(4)}$  on  $[a, b]$  and formula (1.2) is valid for any function  $f$  with a continuous sixth derivative  $f^{(6)}$  on  $[-1, 1]$ .

Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on  $[a, b]$  and  $f' : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Then the Montgomery identity holds (see [1])

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt + \int_a^b P(x, t) f'(t) dt, \quad (1.3)$$

where the Peano kernel is

$$P(x, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t-a}{b-a}, & a \leq t \leq x, \\ \frac{t-b}{b-a}, & x < t \leq b. \end{cases} \quad (1.4)$$

In [2], Pečarić proved the following weighted Montgomery identity

$$f(x) = \int_a^b w(t) f(t) dt + \int_a^b P_w(x, t) f'(t) dt, \quad (1.5)$$

where  $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is some probability density function, that is, integrable function, satisfying  $\int_a^b w(t) dt = 1$ , and  $W(t) = \int_a^t w(x) dx$  for  $t \in [a, b]$ ,  $W(t) = 0$  for  $t < a$  and  $W(t) = 1$  for  $t > b$  and  $P_w(x, t)$  is the weighted Peano kernel defined by

$$P_w(x, t) = \begin{cases} W(t), & a \leq t \leq x, \\ W(t) - 1, & x < t \leq b. \end{cases} \quad (1.6)$$

Now, let us suppose that  $I$  is an open interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $[a, b] \subset I$ ,  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is such that  $f^{(n-1)}$  is absolutely continuous for some  $n \geq 2$ ,  $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is a probability density function. Then the following generalization of the weighted Montgomery identity via Taylor's formula states (given by Aglič Aljinović and Pečarić in [3])

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \int_a^b w(t) f(t) dt - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{f^{(i+1)}(x)}{(i+1)!} \int_a^b w(s) (s-x)^{i+1} ds \\ &+ \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_a^b T_{w,n}(x, s) f^{(n)}(s) ds, \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

where  $x \in [a, b]$  and

$$T_{w,n}(x, s) = \begin{cases} \int_a^s w(u) (u-s)^{n-1} du, & a \leq s \leq x, \\ -\int_s^b w(u) (u-s)^{n-1} du, & x < s \leq b. \end{cases} \quad (1.8)$$

If we take  $w(t) = 1/(b - a)$ ,  $t \in [a, b]$ , equality (1.7) reduces to

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} f^{(i+1)}(x) \frac{(b-x)^{i+2} - (a-x)^{i+2}}{(i+2)!(b-a)} + \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_a^b T_n(x, s) f^{(n)}(s) ds, \quad (1.9)$$

where  $x \in [a, b]$  and

$$T_n(x, s) = \begin{cases} -\frac{(a-s)^n}{n(b-a)}, & a \leq s \leq x, \\ -\frac{(b-s)^n}{n(b-a)}, & x < s \leq b. \end{cases} \quad (1.10)$$

For  $n = 1$ , (1.9) reduces to the Montgomery identity (1.3).

In this paper, we generalize the results from [4]. Namely, we use identities (1.7) and (1.9) to establish for each number  $x \in (a, (a+b)/2]$  a general four-point quadrature formula of the type

$$\int_a^b w(t) f(t) dt = \left(\frac{1}{2} - A(x)\right) [f(a) + f(b)] + A(x) [f(x) + f(a+b-x)] + R(f, w; x), \quad (1.11)$$

where  $R(f, w; x)$  is the remainder and  $A : (a, (a+b)/2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a real function. The obtained formula is used to prove a number of inequalities which give error estimates for the general four-point formula for functions whose derivatives are from  $L_p$ -spaces. These inequalities are generally sharp. As special cases of the general non-weighted four-point quadrature formula, we obtain generalizations of the well-known Simpson's 3/8 formula and Lobatto four-point formula with related inequalities.

## 2. General Weighted Four-Point Formula

Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $f^{(n-1)}$  exists on  $[a, b]$  for some  $n \geq 2$ . We introduce the following notation for each  $x \in (a, (a+b)/2]$ :

$$D(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2} - A(x)\right) [f(a) + f(b)] + A(x) [f(x) + f(a+b-x)],$$

$$\begin{aligned}
t_{w,n}(x) &= A(x) \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{f^{(i+1)}(x)}{(i+1)!} \int_a^b w(s)(s-x)^{i+1} ds \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{f^{(i+1)}(a+b-x)}{(i+1)!} \int_a^b w(s)(s-a-b+x)^{i+1} ds \right] \\
&\quad + \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) \left[ \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{f^{(i+1)}(a)}{(i+1)!} \int_a^b w(s)(s-a)^{i+1} ds \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \frac{f^{(i+1)}(b)}{(i+1)!} \int_a^b w(s)(s-b)^{i+1} ds \right], \\
\hat{T}_{w,n}(x, s) &= - \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) [T_{w,n}(a, s) + T_{w,n}(b, s)] - A(x) [T_{w,n}(x, s) + T_{w,n}(a+b-x, s)] \\
&= \begin{cases} - \left( \frac{1}{2} + A(x) \right) \int_a^s w(u)(u-s)^{n-1} du \\ \quad + \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) \int_s^b w(u)(u-s)^{n-1} du, & a \leq s \leq x, \\ - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \int_a^s w(u)(u-s)^{n-1} du - \int_s^b w(u)(u-s)^{n-1} du \right], & x < s \leq a+b-x, \\ - \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) \int_a^s w(u)(u-s)^{n-1} du \\ \quad + \left( \frac{1}{2} + A(x) \right) \int_s^b w(u)(u-s)^{n-1} du, & a+b-x < s \leq b. \end{cases} \tag{2.1}
\end{aligned}$$

In the next theorem we establish the general weighted four-point formula.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $I$  be an open interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $[a, b] \subset I$ , and let  $w : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be some probability density function. Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $f^{(n-1)}$  is absolutely continuous for some  $n \geq 2$ . Then for each  $x \in (a, (a+b)/2]$  the following identity holds

$$\int_a^b w(t)f(t)dt = D(x) + t_{w,n}(x) + \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_a^b \hat{T}_{w,n}(x, s)f^{(n)}(s)ds. \tag{2.2}$$

*Proof.* We put  $x \equiv a$ ,  $x \equiv x$ ,  $x \equiv a+b-x$  and  $x \equiv b$  in (1.7) to obtain four new formulae. After multiplying these four formulae by  $1/2 - A(x)$ ,  $A(x)$ ,  $A(x)$  and  $1/2 - A(x)$ , respectively, and adding, we get (2.2).  $\square$

*Remark 2.2.* Identity (2.2) holds true in the case  $n = 1$ . It can also be obtained by taking  $x \equiv a$ ,  $x \equiv x$ ,  $x \equiv a+b-x$  and  $x \equiv b$  in (1.5), multiplying these four formulae by  $1/2 - A(x)$ ,  $A(x)$ ,  $A(x)$  and  $1/2 - A(x)$ , respectively, and adding. In this special case we have

$$\int_a^b w(t)f(t)dt = D(x) + \int_a^b \hat{T}_{w,1}(x, s)f'(s)ds, \tag{2.3}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{T}_{w,1}(x, s) &= -\left(\frac{1}{2} - A(x)\right)[T_{w,1}(a, s) + T_{w,1}(b, s)] - A(x)[T_{w,1}(x, s) + T_{w,1}(a + b - x, s)] \\ &= -\left(\frac{1}{2} - A(x)\right)[P_w(a, s) + P_w(b, s)] - A(x)[P_w(x, s) + P_w(a + b - x, s)] \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} - A(x) - W(s), & a \leq s \leq x, \\ \frac{1}{2} - W(s), & x < s \leq a + b - x, \\ \frac{1}{2} + A(x) - W(s), & a + b - x < s \leq b. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

**Theorem 2.3.** *Suppose that all assumptions of Theorem 2.1 hold. Additionally, assume that  $(p, q)$  is a pair of conjugate exponents, that is,  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty, 1/p + 1/q = 1$ , let  $f^{(n)} \in L^p[a, b]$  for some  $n \geq 1$ . Then for each  $x \in (a, (a + b)/2]$  we have*

$$\left| \int_a^b w(t)f(t)dt - D(x) - t_{w,n}(x) \right| \leq \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \|\widehat{T}_{w,n}(x, \cdot)\|_q \|f^{(n)}\|_p. \tag{2.5}$$

*Inequality (2.5) is sharp for  $1 < p \leq \infty$ .*

*Proof.* By applying the Hölder inequality we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_a^b \widehat{T}_{w,n}(x, s)f^{(n)}(s)ds \right| \leq \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \|\widehat{T}_{w,n}(x, \cdot)\|_q \|f^{(n)}\|_p. \tag{2.6}$$

By using the above inequality from (2.2) we obtain estimate (2.5). Let us denote  $U_n^x(s) = \widehat{T}_{w,n}(x, s)$ . For the proof of sharpness, we will find a function  $f$  such that

$$\left| \int_a^b U_n^x(s)f^{(n)}(s)ds \right| = \|U_n^x\|_q \|f^{(n)}\|_p. \tag{2.7}$$

For  $1 < p < \infty$ , take  $f$  to be such that

$$f^{(n)}(s) = \text{sign } U_n^x(s) \cdot |U_n^x(s)|^{1/(p-1)}, \tag{2.8}$$

where for  $p = \infty$  we put

$$f^{(n)}(s) = \text{sign } U_n^x(s). \tag{2.9}$$

□

*Remark 2.4.* Inequality (2.5) for  $A(x) = 1/4$  was proved by Aglič Aljinović et al. in [4].

### 3. Non-Weighted Four-Point Formula and Applications

Here we define

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{t}_n(x) = & A(x) \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \left[ f^{(i+1)}(x) + (-1)^{i+1} f^{(i+1)}(a+b-x) \right] \frac{(b-x)^{i+2} - (a-x)^{i+2}}{(i+2)!(b-a)} \\ & + \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \left[ f^{(i+1)}(a) + (-1)^{i+1} f^{(i+1)}(b) \right] \frac{(b-a)^{i+1}}{(i+2)!}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{T}_n(x, s) = & -n \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) [T_n(a, s) + T_n(b, s)] + A(x) [T_n(x, s) + T_n(a+b-x, s)] \right\} \\ = & \begin{cases} \left( \frac{1}{2} + A(x) \right) \frac{(a-s)^n}{(b-a)} + \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) \frac{(b-s)^n}{(b-a)}, & a \leq s \leq x, \\ \frac{(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{2(b-a)}, & x < s \leq a+b-x, \\ \left( \frac{1}{2} - A(x) \right) \frac{(a-s)^n}{(b-a)} + \left( \frac{1}{2} + A(x) \right) \frac{(b-s)^n}{(b-a)}, & a+b-x < s \leq b. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $I$  be an open interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $[a, b] \subset I$ , and let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be such that  $f^{(n-1)}$  is absolutely continuous for some  $n \geq 1$ . Then for each  $x \in (a, (a+b)/2]$  the following identity holds

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt = D(x) + \hat{t}_n(x) + \frac{1}{n!} \int_a^b \hat{T}_n(x, s) f^{(n)}(s) ds. \quad (3.3)$$

*Proof.* We take  $w(t) = 1/(b-a)$ ,  $t \in [a, b]$  in (2.2). □

**Theorem 3.2.** Suppose that all assumptions of Theorem 3.1 hold. Additionally, assume that  $(p, q)$  is a pair of conjugate exponents, that is,  $1 \leq p$ ,  $q \leq \infty$ ,  $1/p + 1/q = 1$  and  $f^{(n)} \in L^p[a, b]$  for some  $n \geq 1$ . Then for each  $x \in (a, (a+b)/2]$  we have

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - D(x) - \hat{t}_n(x) \right| \leq \frac{1}{n!} \left\| \hat{T}_n(x, \cdot) \right\|_q \left\| f^{(n)} \right\|_p. \quad (3.4)$$

Inequality (3.4) is sharp for  $1 < p \leq \infty$ .

*Proof.* We take  $w(t) = 1/(b-a)$ ,  $t \in [a, b]$  in (2.5). □

Now, we set

$$A(x) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12(x-a)(b-x)}, \quad x \in \left( a, \frac{a+b}{2} \right]. \quad (3.5)$$

This special choice of the function  $A$  enables us to consider generalizations of the well-known Simpson's 3/8 formula (1.1) and Lobatto formula (1.2)

**3.1.**  $x = (2a + b)/3$ 

Suppose that all assumptions of Theorem 3.1 hold. Then the following generalization of Simpson's 3/8 formula reads

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt = D\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) + \hat{t}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) + \frac{1}{n!} \int_a^b \hat{T}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, s\right) f^{(n)}(s) ds, \quad (3.6)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} D\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) &= \frac{1}{8} \left( f(a) + 3f\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) + 3f\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) + f(b) \right), \\ \hat{t}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) &= \frac{1}{8} \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \left[ f^{(i+1)}\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) + (-1)^{i+1} f^{(i+1)}\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}\right) \right] \frac{[2^{i+2} + (-1)^{i+1}](b-a)^{i+1}}{3^{i+1}(i+2)!} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{8} \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \left[ f^{(i+1)}(a) + (-1)^{i+1} f^{(i+1)}(b) \right] \frac{(b-a)^{i+1}}{(i+2)!}, \\ \hat{T}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, s\right) &= -\frac{n}{8} \left[ T_n(a, s) + 3T_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, s\right) + 3T_n\left(\frac{a+2b}{3}, s\right) + T_n(b, s) \right] \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{7(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} & a \leq s \leq \frac{2a+b}{3}, \\ \frac{(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{2(b-a)}, & \frac{2a+b}{3} < s \leq \frac{a+2b}{3}, \\ \frac{(a-s)^n + 7(b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} & \frac{a+2b}{3} < s \leq b. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

In the next corollaries we will use the beta function and the incomplete beta function of Euler type defined by

$$B(x, y) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt, \quad B_r(x, y) = \int_0^r t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt, \quad x, y > 0. \quad (3.8)$$

**Corollary 3.3.** Suppose that all assumptions of Theorem 3.1 hold. Additionally, assume that  $(p, q)$  is a pair of conjugate exponents and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(a) If  $f^{(n)} \in L^\infty[a, b]$ , then

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - D\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right| \leq \frac{25}{288} (b-a) \|f'\|_\infty,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - D\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) - \hat{t}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left( \frac{[3^{n+1} + 3 \cdot 2^{n+1} + 3(-1)^n](b-a)^n}{4 \cdot 3^{n+1}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)^n \left[ \frac{(-1)^{n+1} + 1}{2} \right] \right) \|f^{(n)}\|_{\infty}, \quad n \geq 2.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

(b) If  $f^{(n)} \in L^2[a, b]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - D\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) - \hat{t}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{[3^{2n} + 5 \cdot 2^{2n+1} + 11](b-a)^{2n-1}}{32 \cdot 3^{2n}(2n+1)} + \frac{(-1)^n(b-a)^{2n-1}}{32} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \times [7B(n+1, n+1) + 9B_{2/3}(n+1, n+1) - 9B_{1/3}(n+1, n+1)] \right)^{1/2} \|f^{(n)}\|_2.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

(c) If  $f^{(n)} \in L^1[a, b]$ , then

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt - D\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) - \hat{t}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{n!} K_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}\right) \|f^{(n)}\|_1, \tag{3.11}$$

where  $K_1((2a+b)/3) = 5/24$ ,  $K_2((2a+b)/3) = (5/18)(b-a)$ ,  $K_3((2a+b)/3) = (7/54)(b-a)^2$  and  $K_n((2a+b)/3) = (1/8)(b-a)^{n-1}$ , for  $n \geq 4$ .

The first and the second inequality are sharp.

*Proof.* We apply (3.4) with  $x = (2a+b)/3$  and  $p = \infty$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_a^b \left| \hat{T}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, s\right) \right| ds &= \int_a^{(2a+b)/3} \left| \frac{7(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right| ds \\
&+ \int_{(2a+b)/3}^{(a+2b)/3} \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{2(b-a)} \right| ds + \int_{(a+2b)/3}^b \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + 7(b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right| ds \\
&= 2 \frac{[3^{n+1} - 2^{n+1} + 7 \cdot (-1)^n](b-a)^n}{8 \cdot 3^{n+1}(n+1)}
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{(2^{n+1} + (-1)^{n+1})(b-a)^n}{3^{n+1}(n+1)} - \frac{(1 + (-1)^{n+1})(b-a)^n}{2^{n+1}(n+1)} \\
& = \frac{[3^{n+1} + 3 \cdot 2^{n+1} + 3(-1)^n](b-a)^n}{4 \cdot 3^{n+1}(n+1)} - \left(\frac{b-a}{2}\right)^n \left[\frac{(-1)^{n+1} + 1}{2(n+1)}\right],
\end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

for  $n \geq 2$  and

$$\int_a^b \left| \widehat{T}_1\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, s\right) \right| ds = \frac{25}{288}(b-a). \tag{3.13}$$

To obtain the second inequality we take  $p = 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_a^b \left| \widehat{T}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, s\right) \right|^2 ds &= \int_a^{(2a+b)/3} \left| \frac{7(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right|^2 ds \\
&+ \int_{(2a+b)/3}^{(a+2b)/3} \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{2(b-a)} \right|^2 ds + \int_{(a+2b)/3}^b \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + 7(b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right|^2 ds \\
&= \frac{[3^{2n} + 5 \cdot 2^{2n+1} + 11](b-a)^{2n-1}}{32 \cdot 3^{2n}(2n+1)} + \frac{(-1)^n(b-a)^{2n-1}}{32} \\
&\times [7B(n+1, n+1) + 9B_{2/3}(n+1, n+1) - 9B_{1/3}(n+1, n+1)].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

If  $p = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sup_{s \in [a, b]} \left| \widehat{T}_n\left(\frac{2a+b}{3}, s\right) \right| &= \max \left\{ \sup_{s \in [a, (2a+b)/3]} \left| \frac{7(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right|, \right. \\
&\sup_{s \in [(2a+b)/3, (a+2b)/3]} \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{2(b-a)} \right| \\
&\left. \sup_{s \in [(a+2b)/3, b]} \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + 7(b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right| \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

By an elementary calculation we get

$$\sup_{s \in [a, (2a+b)/3]} \left| \frac{7(a-s) + (b-s)}{8(b-a)} \right| = \sup_{s \in [(a+2b)/3, b]} \left| \frac{(a-s) + 7(b-s)}{8(b-a)} \right| = \frac{5}{24}(b-a),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{s \in [a, (2a+b)/3]} \left| \frac{7(a-s)^2 + (b-s)^2}{8(b-a)} \right| &= \sup_{s \in [(a+2b)/3, b]} \left| \frac{(a-s)^2 + 7(b-s)^2}{8(b-a)} \right| = \frac{11}{72}(b-a), \\ \sup_{s \in [a, (2a+b)/3]} \left| \frac{7(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right| &= \sup_{s \in [(a+2b)/3, b]} \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + 7(b-s)^n}{8(b-a)} \right| = \frac{(b-a)^{n-1}}{8}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

for  $n \geq 3$ . The function  $y : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $y(x) = (a-x)^n + (b-x)^n$ , is decreasing on  $\langle a, (a+b)/2 \rangle$  and increasing on  $\langle (a+b)/2, b \rangle$  if  $n$  is even, and decreasing on  $\langle a, b \rangle$  if  $n$  is odd. Thus

$$\sup_{s \in [(2a+b)/3, (a+2b)/3]} \left| \frac{(a-s)^n + (b-s)^n}{2(b-a)} \right| = \frac{((-1)^n + 2^n)(b-a)^{n-1}}{2 \cdot 3^n}. \quad (3.17)$$

Finally,

$$\sup_{s \in [a, b]} \left| \hat{T}_1 \left( \frac{2a+b}{3}, s \right) \right| = \frac{5}{24} \quad (3.18)$$

and for  $n \geq 2$

$$\sup_{s \in [a, b]} \left| \hat{T}_n \left( \frac{2a+b}{3}, s \right) \right| = (b-a)^{n-1} \max \left\{ \frac{1}{8}, \frac{2^n + (-1)^n}{2 \cdot 3^n} \right\}. \quad (3.19)$$

### 3.2. $[a, b] = [-1, 1]$ , $x = -\sqrt{5}/5$

Suppose that all assumptions of Theorem 3.1 hold. Then the following generalization of Lobatto formula reads

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt = D \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) + \hat{t}_n \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) + \frac{1}{n!} \int_{-1}^1 \hat{T}_n \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}, s \right) f^{(n)}(s) ds, \quad (3.20)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} D \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) &= \frac{1}{12} \left( f(-1) + 5f \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) + 5f \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) + f(1) \right), \\ \hat{t}_n \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) &= \frac{5}{12} \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \left[ f^{(i+1)} \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) + (-1)^{i+1} f^{(i+1)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) \right] \\ &\quad \times \frac{(5 + \sqrt{5})^{i+2} + (-1)^{i+1} (5 - \sqrt{5})^{i+2}}{2 \cdot 5^{i+2} (i+2)!} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{12} \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} \left[ f^{(i+1)}(-1) + (-1)^{i+1} f^{(i+1)}(1) \right] \frac{2^{i+1}}{(i+2)!}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{T}_n\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}, s\right) &= -\frac{n}{12}\left[T_n(-1, s) + 5T_n\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}, s\right) + 5T_n\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}, s\right) + T_n(1, s)\right] \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{11(-1-s)^n + (1-s)^n}{24} & -1 \leq s \leq -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}, \\ \frac{(-1-s)^n + (1-s)^n}{4} & -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} < s \leq \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}, \\ \frac{(-1-s)^n + 11(1-s)^n}{24} & \frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} < s \leq 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{3.21}$$

**Corollary 3.4.** *Suppose that all assumptions of Theorem 3.1 hold. Additionally, assume that  $(p, q)$  is a pair of conjugate exponents and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .*

(a) *if  $f^{(n)} \in L^\infty[-1, 1]$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt - D\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}\right) \right| &\leq \left( \frac{101}{180} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{6} \right) \|f'\|_\infty, \\ \left| \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt - D\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}\right) - \hat{t}_n\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}\right) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left( \frac{2^{n+1} \cdot 5^n + (5 + \sqrt{5})^{n+1} - (-5 + \sqrt{5})^{n+1}}{12 \cdot 5^n} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1 + (-1)^{n+1}}{2} \right) \|f^{(n)}\|_\infty, \quad n \geq 2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

(b) *if  $f^{(n)} \in L^2[-1, 1]$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt - D\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}\right) - \hat{t}_n\left(-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5}\right) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n!} \cdot \frac{2^{n-2}}{3} \left( \frac{35(5 + \sqrt{5})^{2n+1} + 85(5 - \sqrt{5})^{2n+1} + 10^{2n+1}}{10^{2n+1}(2n+1)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (-1)^n [11B(n+1, n+1) + 25B_{(5+\sqrt{5})/10}(n+1, n+1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 25B_{(5-\sqrt{5})/10}(n+1, n+1)] \right)^{1/2} \|f^{(n)}\|_2. \end{aligned} \tag{3.23}$$

(c) if  $f^{(n)} \in L^1[-1, 1]$ , then

$$\left| \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 f(t) dt - D \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) - \hat{f}_n \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) \right| \leq \frac{1}{n!} K_n \left( -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{5} \right) \|f^{(n)}\|_1, \quad (3.24)$$

where  $K_1(-\sqrt{5}/5) = 1/(2\sqrt{5})$ ,  $K_2(-\sqrt{5}/5) = 3/5$ ,  $K_3(-\sqrt{5}/5) = 8/(5\sqrt{5})$ ,  $K_4(-\sqrt{5}/5) = 28/25$ ,  $K_5(-\sqrt{5}/5) = 88/(25\sqrt{5})$ ,  $K_n(-\sqrt{5}/5) = 2^{n-3}/3$ , for  $n \geq 6$ .

The first and the second inequality are sharp.

*Proof.* Applying (3.4) with  $[a, b] = [-1, 1]$ ,  $x = -\sqrt{5}/5$  and  $p = \infty, p = 2, p = 1$  and carrying out the same analysis as in Corollary 3.3 we obtain the above inequalities.  $\square$

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