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# A SHARP GENERAL $L_2$ INEQUALITY OF OSTROWSKI TYPE

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ABSTRACT. A sharp general  $L_2$  inequality of Ostrowski type is established, which provides a generalization of some previous results and gives some other interesting results as special cases.

### 1. Introduction

In [1] and [2], we may find the following interesting sharp trapezoid type inequality and midpoint type inequality:

**Theorem 1.** Let  $f: [a,b] \to \mathbf{R}$  be such that f' is absolutely continuous on [a,b] and  $f'' \in L_2[a,b]$ . Then we have sharp inequality

(1) 
$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(t) dt - \frac{b-a}{2} [f(a) + f(b)] + \frac{(b-a)^{2}}{12} [f'(b) - f'(a)] \right| \\ \leq \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{12\sqrt{5}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')},$$

where  $\sigma(\cdot)$  is defined by

(2) 
$$\sigma(f) = \|f\|_2^2 - \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^b f(t) \, dt \right)^2$$

and  $||f||_2 := \left[\int_a^b f^2(t) dt\right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ .

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**Theorem 2.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 1, we have sharp inequality

(3) 
$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(t) dt - (b-a) f(\frac{a+b}{2}) - \frac{(b-a)^{2}}{24} [f'(b) - f'(a)] \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{12\sqrt{5}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')}.$$

In [5], the author provided a Sharp  $L_2$  inequality of Ostrowski type as follows:

**Theorem 3.** Let the assumptions of Theorem 1 hold. Then for any  $\theta \in [0,1]$  and  $x \in [a,b]$  we have sharp inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[ (1-\theta)f(x) + \theta \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right] \right. \\ &+ (1-\theta)(b-a) \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) f'(x) \\ &- \left[ \frac{1-\theta}{2} \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{2} + \frac{1-3\theta}{24} (b-a)^{2} \right] \left[ f'(b) - f'(a) \right] \right| \\ &\leq \left[ \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{4} (b-a) \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{4} \right. \\ &+ \frac{3\theta^{2} - 5\theta + 2}{24} (b-a)^{3} \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{2} \\ &+ \frac{15\theta^{2} - 15\theta + 4}{2880} (b-a)^{5} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')}. \end{aligned}$$

The inequality (4) not only provide a generalization of inequalities (1) and (3), but also give some other interesting sharp inequalities as special cases. Moreover, it has been shown that the corrected Simpson rule (see [8],[11] and [10]) gives better result than Simpson rule and, in particular, the corrected averaged midpoint-trapezoid quadrature rule is optimal.

In this work, we will derive a new sharp general inequality of Ostrowski type for functions whose (n-1)th derivatives are absolutely continuous and whose nth derivatives belong to  $L_2(a,b)$ . This will not only provide a generalization of the inequality (4), but also give some other interesting sharp inequalities as special cases.

### 2. The results

In [6], we may find the identity

(5) 
$$(-1)^n \int_a^b K_n(t, x, \theta) f^{(n)}(t) dt$$

$$= \int_a^b f(t) dt - \frac{b-a}{2} [\theta f(a) + 2(1-\theta)f(x) + \theta f(b)]$$

$$- \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left\{ \frac{(-1)^k (x-a)^{k+1} + (b-x)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{\theta (b-a)[(-1)^k (x-a)^k + (b-x)^k]}{2k!} \right\} f^{(k)}(x)$$

where  $K_n(t, x, \theta)$  is the kernel given by

(6) 
$$K_n(t,x,\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{(t-a)^n}{n!} - \frac{\theta(b-a)(t-a)^{n-1}}{2(n-1)!}, & \text{if } t \in [a,x], \\ \frac{(t-b)^n}{n!} + \frac{(b-a)(t-b)^{n-1}}{2(n-1)!}, & \text{if } t \in (x,b]. \end{cases}$$

By elementary calculus, it is not difficult to get

(7) 
$$\int_{a}^{b} K_{n}(t, x, \theta) dt = \frac{(x - a)^{n+1} + (-1)^{n} (b - x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} - \frac{\theta(b-a)[(x-a)^{n} + (-1)^{n} (b - x)^{n}]}{2n!}$$

and

$$(8) \int_{a}^{b} K_{n}^{2}(t, x, \theta) dt = \frac{(x - a)^{2n+1} + (b - x)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)(n!)^{2}} - \frac{\theta(b-a)[(x-a)^{2n} + (b-x)^{2n}]}{2(n!)^{2}} + \frac{\theta^{2}(b-a)^{2}[(x-a)^{2n-1} + (b-x)^{2n-1}]}{4(2n-1)[(n-1)!]^{2}}.$$

For brevity, in what follows, we will use the notations

(9) 
$$G_n(x,\theta) := \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left\{ \frac{(-1)^k (x-a)^{k+1} + (b-x)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!} - \frac{\theta(b-a)[(-1)^k (x-a)^k + (b-x)^k]}{2k!} \right\} f^{(k)}(x),$$

(10) 
$$H_n(x,\theta) := \frac{(x-a)^{n+1} + (-1)^n (b-x)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} - \frac{\theta(b-a)[(x-a)^n + (-1)^n (b-x)^n]}{2n!},$$

(11) 
$$I_n(x,\theta) := \frac{(x-a)^{2n+1} + (b-x)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)(n!)^2} - \frac{\theta(b-a)[(x-a)^{2n} + (b-x)^{2n}]}{2(n!)^2} + \frac{\theta^2(b-a)^2[(x-a)^{2n-1} + (b-x)^{2n-1}]}{4(2n-1)[(n-1)!]^2}$$

and

(12) 
$$D_n := \frac{f^{(n-1)}(b) - f^{(n-1)}(a)}{b - a}.$$

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f: [a,b] \to \mathbf{R}$  be such that  $f^{(n-1)}$  is absolutely continuous on [a,b] and  $f^{(n)} \in L_2[a,b]$ . Then for any  $\theta \in [0,1]$  and  $x \in [a,b]$  we have

(13) 
$$\left| (-1)^n \left\{ \int_a^b f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[ (1-\theta)f(x) + \theta \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right] - G_n(x,\theta) \right\} \right.$$
$$\left. - D_n H_n(x,\theta) \right| \le \left[ I_n(x,\theta) - \frac{H_n^2(x,\theta)}{b-a} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}.$$

The inequality (13) is sharp.

*Proof.* From (5),(7)-(10),(12) we get

$$(14) \int_{a}^{b} \left[ K_{n}(t, x, \theta) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} K_{n}(s, x, \theta) ds \right] \left[ f^{(n)}(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f^{(n)}(s) ds \right] dt$$

$$= (-1)^{n} \left\{ \int_{a}^{b} f(t) dt - (b-a) \left[ (1-\theta)f(x) + \theta \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right] - G_{n}(\theta, x) \right\}$$

$$-D_{n}H_{n}(\theta, x).$$

By using the Cauchy-Schwarz-Bunyakowski inequality, we have

 $\left| \int_{a}^{b} \left[ K_{n}(t, x, \theta) - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} K_{n}(s, x, \theta) ds \right] \left[ f^{(n)}(t) - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f^{(n)}(s) ds \right] dt \right|$   $\leq \left| \left| K(\cdot, x, \theta) - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} K_{n}(s, x, \theta) ds \right|_{2} \left\| f^{(n)} - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} f^{(n)}(s) ds \right\|_{2}.$ 

From (7),(8),(10),(11) we also have

(16) 
$$\left\| K(\cdot, x, \theta) - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} K_{n}(t, s, \theta) ds \right\|_{2}^{2} = I_{n}(\theta, x) - \frac{H_{n}^{2}(\theta, x)}{b - a}.$$
 and by (2),

(17) 
$$\left\| f^{(n)} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f^{(n)}(s) \, ds \right\|_{2}^{2}$$

$$= \|f^{(n)}\|_{2}^{2} - \frac{(f^{(n-1)}(b) - f^{(n-1)}(a))^{2}}{b-a} = \sigma(f^{(n)}).$$

Consequently, the inequality (13) follows from (14)-(17).

It is clear that the inequality (13) is sharp, since in its proof only Cauchy-Schwarz-Bunyakowski inequality is used, and so the equality condition follows from the well-known inequality.

Remark 1. If we take n = 1 in Theorem 4, then we have

$$G_1(x,\theta) = 0,$$

$$H_1(x,\theta) = (1-\theta)(b-a)\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right),$$

$$I_1(x,\theta) = \frac{1-3\theta+3\theta^2}{12}(b-a)^3 + (1-\theta)(b-a)\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2,$$

and

$$I_1(x,\theta) - \frac{H_1^2(x,\theta)}{b-a} = \theta(1-\theta)(b-a)\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1-3\theta+3\theta^2}{12}(b-a)^3.$$

Thus we can derived a sharp  $L_2$  inequality of Ostrowski type as

$$\left| (b-a) \left[ (1-\theta)f(x) + \theta \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right] - (1-\theta) \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) [f(b) - f(a)] \right|$$

$$- \int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt$$

$$\leq \left[ \theta (1-\theta)(b-a) \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{2} + \frac{1-3\theta + 3\theta^{2}}{12} (b-a)^{3} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\sigma(f')},$$

which has been first proved in Theorem 1 of [4].

Remark 2. If we take n=2 in Theorem 4, then we have

$$G_2(x,\theta) = (1-\theta)(b-a)\left(\frac{a+b}{2} - x\right)f'(x),$$

$$H_2(x,\theta) = \frac{(1-3\theta)(b-a)^3}{24} + \frac{(1-\theta)(b-a)}{2}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2,$$

$$I_2(x,\theta) = \frac{3 - 15\theta + 20\theta^2}{960} (b - a)^5 + \frac{1 - 3\theta + 2\theta^2}{8} (b - a)^3 \left( x - \frac{a + b}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1 - \theta}{4} (b - a) \left( x - \frac{a + b}{2} \right)^4,$$

and

$$I_2(x,\theta) - \frac{H_2^2(x,\theta)}{b-a} = \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{4}(b-a)\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^4 + \frac{3\theta^2 - 5\theta + 2}{24}(b-a)^3\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{15\theta^2 - 15\theta + 4}{2880}(b-a)^5$$

Thus we can derived a sharp  $L_2$  inequality of Ostrowski type as

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[ (1-\theta)f(x) + \theta \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right] \right|$$

$$+ (1-\theta)(b-a) \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right) f'(x)$$

$$- \left[ \frac{1-\theta}{2} \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{2} + \frac{1-3\theta}{24} (b-a)^{2} \right] [f'(b) - f'(a)] \right|$$

$$\leq \left[ \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{4} (b-a) \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{4} + \frac{3\theta^{2} - 5\theta + 2}{24} (b-a)^{3} \left( x - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{2} + \frac{15\theta^{2} - 15\theta + 4}{2880} (b-a)^{5} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')}.$$

which is just the inequality (4).

**Corollary 1.** Let the assumptions of Theorem 4 hold. Then for any  $\theta \in [0, 1]$ , we get a sharp inequality

$$\left| (-1)^{n} \left\{ \int_{a}^{b} f(t)dt - (b-a) \left[ (1-\theta)f(x) + \theta \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right] \right.$$

$$\left. - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{\left[ (-1)^{k} + 1\right]\left[1 - (k+1)\theta\right](b-a)^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}(k+1)!} f^{(k)}(x) \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{\left[1 + (-1)^{n}\right]\left[1 - (n+1)\theta\right](b-a)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}(n+1)!} D_{n} \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{c(n,\theta)}{(n+1)!} \left( \frac{b-a}{2} \right)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})},$$

$$\left. + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{c^{2(n+1)^{2}}\left[(2n-1) - (4n^{2}-1)\theta + (2n+1)^{2}\theta^{2}\right]}{2^{n+1}(n+1)^{n}} \left[ \frac{(n+1)^{n}}{2} \left( \frac{(n+1)^{n}}{2} \right) \left( \frac{(n+1)^{n}}$$

 $where \ c(n,\theta) = \big[ \tfrac{2(n+1)^2[(2n-1)-(4n^2-1)\theta+(2n+1)n^2\theta^2]-[1+(-1)^n](4n^2-1)[1-(n+1)\theta]^2}{4n^2-1} \big]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$ 

*Proof.* We set  $x = \frac{a+b}{2}$  in (4) and observe that

$$G_n\left(\frac{a+b}{2},\theta\right) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left\{ \frac{[(-1)^k + 1](b-a)^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}(k+1)!} - \frac{\theta[(-1)^k + 1](b-a)^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}k!} \right\} f^{(k)}(x)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{[(-1)^k + 1][1 - (k+1)\theta](b-a)^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}(k+1)!} f^{(k)}(x),$$

$$H_n\left(\frac{a+b}{2},\theta\right) = \frac{[1+(-1)^n](b-a)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}(n+1)!} - \frac{[1+(-1)^n]\theta(b-a)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}n!}$$
$$= \frac{[1+(-1)^n][1-(n+1)\theta](b-a)^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}(n+1)!},$$

$$\begin{split} I_n\left(\frac{a+b}{2},\theta\right) &= \frac{(b-a)^{2n+1}}{2^{2n}(2n+1)(n!)^2} - \frac{\theta(b-a)^{2n+1}}{2^{2n}(n!)^2} + \frac{\theta^2(b-a)^{2n+1}}{2^{2n}(2n-1)[(n-1)!]^2} \\ &= \frac{(2n-1) - (4n^2-1)\theta + (2n+1)n^2\theta^2}{2^{2n}(4n^2-1)(n!)^2} (b-a)^{2n+1}, \end{split}$$

and

$$I_n\left(\frac{a+b}{2},\theta\right) - \frac{H_n^2(\frac{a+b}{2},\theta)}{b-a} = \frac{c^2(n,\theta)}{2^{2n+1}[(n+1)!]^2}(b-a)^{2n+1},$$

then the inequality (18) follows.

If n is an odd integer, then for any  $\theta \in [0,1]$  we have

$$(19) \qquad \left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx - \frac{b-a}{2} \left[ \theta f(a) + 2(1-\theta) f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \theta f(b) \right] \right.$$

$$\left. - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{[(-1)^{k} + 1][1 - (k+1)\theta](b-a)^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}(k+1)!} f^{(k)}(x) \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}n!} \sqrt{\frac{(2n-1) - (4n^{2} - 1)\theta + (2n+1)n^{2}\theta^{2}}{4n^{2} - 1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}.$$

which also has been proved in Theorem 8 of [3] as well as Theorem 7 of [7], simultaneously.

If n is an even integer, then for any  $\theta \in [0,1]$  we have

$$(20) \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{2} \left[ \theta f(a) + 2(1-\theta)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \theta f(b) \right]$$

$$- \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{[(-1)^{k} + 1][1 - (k+1)\theta](b-a)^{k+1}}{2^{k+1}(k+1)!} f^{(k)}(x)$$

$$- \frac{[1 - (n+1)\theta](b-a)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!2^{n}} D_{n} \Big|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}(n+1)!} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})} \times$$

$$\times \sqrt{\frac{2n^{3} - n^{2} - (4n^{4} - 5n^{2} + 1)\theta + (2n^{5} + n^{4} - 4n^{3} - 2n^{2} + 2n + 1)\theta^{2}}{4n^{2} - 1}}.$$

which also has been proved in Theorem 9 of [3] as well as Theorem 8 of [7], simultaneously.

Remark 3. If we take  $\theta = 0$  in (19) and (20) then we get sharp midpoint type inequalities

$$(21) \left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - (b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(b-a)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!2^{2k}} f^{(2k)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \\ \leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}n!\sqrt{2n+1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an odd n and

$$(22) \left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - (b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(b-a)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!2^{2k}} f^{(2k)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{(b-a)^{n}}{(n+1)!2^{n}} [f^{(n-1)}(b) - f^{(n-1)}(a)] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{n(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}(n+1)!\sqrt{2n+1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an even n.

In particular, for n = 1 in (21), we have

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x)dx - (b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{2\sqrt{3}}\sqrt{\sigma(f')},$$

and for n=2 in (22), we have

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - (b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{(b-a)^{2}}{24} [f'(b) - f'(a)] \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{12\sqrt{5}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')}.$$

Remark 4. If we take  $\theta = 1$  in (19) and (20) then we get sharp trapezoid type inequalities

$$(23) \left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{(b-a)}{2} [f(a) + f(b)] - \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{k(b-a)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)! 2^{2k-1}} f^{(2k)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \\ \leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n} n!} \sqrt{\frac{2n^{3} - 3n^{2} + 2n}{4n^{2} - 1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an odd n and

$$(24) \left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{(b-a)}{2} [f(a) + f(b)] - \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{k(b-a)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!2^{2k-1}} f^{(2k)} \left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|$$

$$+ \frac{n(b-a)^{n}}{(n+1)!2^{n}} [f^{(n-1)}(b) - f^{(n-1)}(a)] \left| \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}(n+1)!} \sqrt{\frac{2n^{5} - 3n^{4} - 2n^{3} + 2n^{2} + 2n}{4n^{2} - 1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an even n.

In particular, for n = 1 in (23), we have

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{2} [f(a) + f(b)] \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{2\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{\sigma(f')},$$

and for n = 2 in (24), we have

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{2} [f(a) + f(b)] + \frac{(b-a)^{2}}{12} [f'(b) - f'(a)] \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{12\sqrt{5}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')}.$$

Remark 5. If we take  $\theta = \frac{1}{3}$  then we get sharp Simpson type inequalities

(25) 
$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{6} \left[ f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] \right| + \sum_{k=2}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(k-1)(b-a)^{2k+1}}{3(2k+1)!2^{2k-1}} f^{(2k)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{3} \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}n!} \sqrt{\frac{2n^{3} - 11n^{2} + 18n - 6}{4n^{2} - 1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an odd n and

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{6} \left[ f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] \right| \\
+ \sum_{k=2}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(k-1)(b-a)^{2k+1}}{3(2k+1)!2^{2k-1}} f^{(2k)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \\
+ \frac{(n-2)(b-a)^{n}}{3(n+1)!2^{n}} \left[ f^{(n-1)}(b) - f^{(n-1)}(a) \right] \\
\leq \frac{1}{3} \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}(n+1)!} \sqrt{\frac{2n^{5}-11n^{4}+14n^{3}+4n^{2}+2n-2}{4n^{2}-1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an even n, which have been first proved in Theorem 5 and Theorem 6 of [9] in a more direct way.

In particular, for n = 1, 3 in (25) and n = 2 in (26), we have

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{6} [f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b)] \right| \le C_n(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})},$$

where  $C_1 = \frac{1}{6}$ ,  $C_2 = \frac{1}{12\sqrt{30}}$ ,  $C_3 = \frac{1}{48\sqrt{105}}$ .

Remark 6. If we take  $\theta = \frac{1}{2}$  then we have sharp averaged midpoint-trapezoid inequalities

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{4} \left[ f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] - \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(2k-1)(b-a)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!2^{2k+1}} f^{(2k)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \\ \leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n+1}n!} \sqrt{\frac{2n^3 - 7n^2 + 8n - 2}{4n^2 - 1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an odd n and

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$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{4} \left[ f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] - \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(2k-1)(b-a)^{2k+1}}{(2k+1)!2^{2k+1}} f^{(2k)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \frac{(n-1)(b-a)^{n}}{(n+1)!2^{n+1}} \left[ f^{(n-1)}(b) - f^{(n-1)}(a) \right] \right| \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n+1}(n+1)!} \sqrt{\frac{2n^{5} - 7n^{4} + 4n^{3} + 4n^{2} + 2n - 1}{4n^{2} - 1}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an even n.

In particular, for n=1 in (27), we have

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{4} \left[ f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{4\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{\sigma(f')},$$

and for n = 2, in (28), we have

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{4} \left[ f(a) + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right] + \frac{(b-a)^{2}}{48} [f'(b) - f'(a)] \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{48\sqrt{5}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')},$$

Remark 7. If we take  $\theta = \frac{7}{15}$  then we have sharp corrected Simpson type inequalities

(29) 
$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{30} \left[ 7f(a) + 16f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + 7f(b) \right] - \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(1-14k)(b-a)^{2k+1}}{15(2k+1)!2^{2k}} f^{(2k)}\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{n!2^{n}} \sqrt{\frac{98n^{3} - 371n^{2} + 450n - 120}{225(4n^{2} - 1)}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an odd n and

$$(30) \left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{30} \left[ 7f(a) + 16f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + 7f(b) \right] \right.$$

$$\left. - \sum_{k=1}^{\left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]} \frac{(1-14k)(b-a)^{2k+1}}{15(2k+1)!2^{2k}} f^{(2k)}(\frac{a+b}{2}) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{(7n-8)(b-a)^{n}}{15(n+1)!2^{n+1}} \left[ f^{(n-1)}(b) - f^{(n-1)}(a) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{2^{n}(n+1)!} \sqrt{\frac{98n^{5} - 371n^{4} + 254n^{3} + 202n^{2} + 98n - 56}{225(4n^{2} - 1)}} \sqrt{\sigma(f^{(n)})}$$

for an even n.

In particular, for n = 1 in (29), we have

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{30} \left[ 7f(a) + 16f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + 7f(b) \right] \right| \le \frac{\sqrt{19}(b-a)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{30} \sqrt{\sigma(f')},$$

and for n = 2, in (30), we have

$$\left| \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx - \frac{b-a}{30} \left[ 7f(a) + 16f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + 7f(b) \right] + \frac{(b-a)^{2}}{60} [f'(b) - f'(a)] \right| \le \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{5}{2}}}{60\sqrt{3}} \sqrt{\sigma(f'')},$$

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