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This thesis is concerned with the study of generalization, refinement, improvement and extension of Hermite-Hadamard (H-H) type inequalities. These are achieved by using various classes of convex functions and different fractional integrals. We established new integral inequalities of H-H type via s-convex functions in the second sense, as well as the new classes of convexities: h-Godunova-Levin and h-Godunova-Levin preinvex functions. We also generalized the inequalities of the H-H type involving Riemann-Liouville via generalized s-convex functions in the second sense on fractal sets. We further generalized the H-H type inequalities involving Katugampola fractional integrals via different types of convexities. We also improved several inequalities of H-H type through various classes of convexities by using the conditions  $|\mathcal{G}'|^q$  and  $|\mathcal{G}''|^q$  for q > 1. Using the obtained new results, we presented some applications to special means and applications to numerical integration. By comparing the error bounds estimation of numerical integrations, report shows that the present results obtained using generalization of mid-point and trapezoid type inequalities are more efficient. Several quadrature rules were reported to be examined through this approach. The findings of this study are new, more general and to some extend better than many other research results.

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Tesis ini berkaitan kajian generalisasi, pembaikan, peningkatan dan pengembangan ketaksamaan jenis Hermite-Hadamard (H-H). Ini dicapai dengan menggunakan pelbagai kelas fungsi cembung dan kamiran pecahan yang berbeza. Kami membentuk ketaksamaan kamiran baharu jenis H-H melalui fungsi s-cembung dalam pengertian kedua, serta kelas cembung baharu: h-Godunova-Levin dan fungsi h-Godunova-Levin preinveks. Kami juga mengeneralisasi ketaksamaan jenis H-H yang melibatkan Riemann-Liouville melalui generalisasi fungsi s-cembung dalam pengertian kedua pada set fraktal. Kami seterusnya mengeneralisasikan ketaksamaan jenis H-H yang melibatkan kamiran pecahan Katugampola melalui pelbagai jenis kecembungan. Kami juga memperbaiki beberapa ketaksamaan jenis H-H melalui pelbagai kelas kecembungan menggunakan syarat  $|\mathcal{G}'|^q$  dan  $|\mathcal{G}''|^q$  untuk q > 1. Menggunakan dapatan kajian yang baharu, kami mengemukakan beberapa aplikasi dengan cara khusus dan aplikasi untuk pengamiran berangka. Dengan membandingkan anggaran batas ralat terhadap pengamiran berangka, kami laporan menunjukkan bahawa keputusan yang peroleh menggunakan generalisasi titik tengah dan ketaksamaan jenis trapezoid adalah lebih efisyen. Beberapa peraturan kuadratur dilaporkan untuk diperiksa melalui pendekatan ini. Hasil dapatan kajian ini adalah baharu, lebih umum dan dari sudut tertentu lebih baik daripada dapatan kajian yang lain.

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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

N	The natural numbers
$\mathbb{R}$	The real number
$\mathbb{R}_+$	The set of positive real number
$\mathbb{R}^{lpha}$	Real line numbers on a fractal space
$[m_1, m_2]$	Real interval
$\Gamma(m)$	Euler's Gamma (Gamma) function
$\beta(m_1,m_2)$	Beta function
$L_1[m_1, m_2]$	The space of integrable functions on $[m_1, m_2]$
$K_s^2$ $GK_s^2$	s-Convex function in the second sense
$GK_s^2$	Generalized s-Convex function in the second sense
$SGX(\frac{1}{h},\zeta)$	<i>h</i> -Godunova-Levin function
$SGXP(\frac{1}{h},\zeta)$	<i>h</i> -Godunova-Levin preinvex function
$\max(.,.)$	Maximum
min(.,.)	Minimum
A(.,.)	The arithmetic mean
G(.,.)	The geometric mean
L(.,.)	The logarithmic mean
$L_{\vartheta}(.,.)$	The generalized log-mean

#### **CHAPTER 1**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 Background

Inequalities are simply referred to as the disparity between two quantities. They are generally considered among the powerful tools in mathematical analysis, as well as other branches of mathematics, including approximation theory and numerical analysis. One example of these is the arithmetic- geometric mean inequality used by Erdos and Grunwald (1939) when estimating integrals through triangles (Aigner et al., 2010). The development of theory of inequalities begins dating back to the time of P.L. Chebyshev, A.L. Cauchy and C.V. Gauss, whose contributions include the discovery of theoretical foundations that approximate iterative methods. Others are Hardy et al. (1952) whose classical work was the transformation of inequalities from a collection of individual formulas to a systematic discipline. This development was widely celebrated by researchers as since then different types of inequalities have been reported in the literature due to their broad areas of applications. The utility of mathematical inequalities is developing along with other branches of mathematics. This development is not only for theoretical mathematicians, but also for those working in applied areas, such as mathematical modelling. In the previous millennium, researchers have witnessed the strength of inequalities through which enormous new results were obtained.

The emergence of Hermite-Hadamard (H-H) inequality is considered as the most important discovery in the study of inequalities since they attract the interests of many scientists. As mentioned by Mitrinović and Lacković (1985), this inequality was first appeared in the literature through the effort of Hadamard (1893); however, the result was first discovered by Hermite (1883). Following this fact, many researchers referred the result as the H-H inequality. This inequality was stated in the monograph of Dragomir and Pearce (2004) as the first fundamental result for convex functions defined in the interval of real numbers with a natural geometrical interpretation that can be applied to investigate a variety of problems. Inequalities play important roles in understanding many mathematical concepts, such as probability theory, numerical integration and integral operator theory. Throughout the last century, the H-H type inequalities have been considered among the fast growing fields in mathematical analysis, through which vast problems in engineering, economics and physics have been studied (Dragomir and Pearce, 2004; Bainov and Simeonov, 2013; Wang and Feckan, 2018). Due to the enormous importance of these inequalities, many extensions, refinements and generalizations of their related types have been equally investigated (Ion, 2007; Özdemir et al., 2011; Latif et al., 2012; Zabandan et al., 2012; Ali et al., 2017; Hwang and Dragomir, 2017; Prabseang et al., 2019; Bin-Mohsin et al., 2019; Kunt et al., 2019; Duc et al., 2020).

Therefore, the H-H type inequalities, by which many results are studied, play important roles in the theory of convex functions. The convexities, along with many types of their generalizations, can be applied in different fields of sciences (Demuynck, 2009; Pennanen, 2012; Liu et al., 2020), through which many generalizations of H-H inequality for a variant types of convexities have been studied. Other extensions of H-H inequality include the formulation of problems related to fractional calculus, a branch of calculus dealing with derivatives and integrals of non-integer order (see Gorenflo and Mainardi, 1997; Dragomir, 2019; Dahmani and Belhamiti, 2020).

Nowadays, the real-life applications of fractional calculus exist in most areas of studies (Baleanu et al., 2010; de Oliveira et al., 2019). To make the application of fractional calculus easier, mathematicians have defined its derivatives and integrals in many different ways. In this thesis, we are interested in formulating fractional integrals, along with their generalizations, to obtain some new fractional H-H type inequalities involving different types of convexities.

### **1.2** Convex functions

The concept of a convex function was first introduced to elementary calculus when discussing necessary conditions for a minimum or maximum value of a differentiable function. The convex function was later recognized as an active area of study by Jensen (1905). In modern studies, a convex function is considered as a link between analysis and geometry, which makes it a powerful tool for solving many practical problems.

**Definition 1.1** (*Niculescu and Persson, 2006*) Let V be an interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ . A function  $\mathscr{G}: V \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be convex if

$$\mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1 - \zeta)m_2) \le \zeta \mathscr{G}(m_1) + (1 - \zeta)\mathscr{G}(m_2) \tag{1.2.1}$$

holds for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$  and  $\zeta \in [0, 1]$ .

If inequality (1.2.1) strictly holds for any distinct points  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , where  $\zeta \in (0, 1)$ , then the function is said to be a strictly convex. Meanwhile, a function  $-\mathscr{G}$  is convex (strictly convex), then  $\mathscr{G}$  is concave (strictly concave).

Since results in convex functions can be reproduced in terms of their concave analogues, this study, therefore, concentrates on convexity.

Geometrically, a function  $\mathscr{G}$  is convex given that the line segment joining any two points on the graph lies above (or on) the graph (see Figure 1.1). Meanwhile, if the line segment connecting the two points is below (or on) the graph, the function is concave.

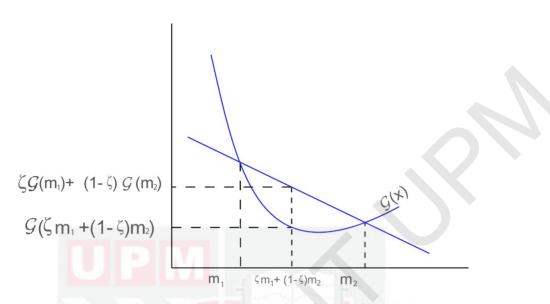


Figure 1.1: The geometrical representation of inequality (1.2.1)

**Example 1.1** Given a function  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  for any  $m \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have the following examples.

- *i.*  $\mathscr{G}(m) = c_1m + c_2$ , where  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . The function  $\mathscr{G}(m)$  is both concave and convex on  $(-\infty, \infty)$ . Thus, it is referred to as an affine.
- ii. The functions  $\mathscr{G}(m) = m^2$  and  $\mathscr{G}(m) = e^m$  are both convex functions on  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- *iii.*  $\mathscr{G}(m) = \ln m$  *is a concave function on*  $\mathbb{R}_+ = [0, \infty)$ *.*

In order to clearly describe a convex function, different definitions are given as follows.

**Definition 1.2** (*Peajcariaac and Tong, 1992*) Let  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in V$  such that  $c_1 < c_2 < c_3$ , the function  $\mathscr{G}$  is convex if and only if (iff)

$$\frac{\mathscr{G}(c_1) - \mathscr{G}(c_2)}{c_1 - c_2} \le \frac{\mathscr{G}(c_2) - \mathscr{G}(c_3)}{c_2 - c_3}.$$
(1.2.2)

Inequality (1.2.2) can be interpreted geometrically as follows. The slope of the line segment joining  $(c_1, \mathscr{G}(c_1))$  and  $(c_2, \mathscr{G}(c_2))$  is less than that of line segment joining  $(c_2, \mathscr{G}(c_2))$  and  $(c_3, \mathscr{G}(c_3))$ .

**Definition 1.3** (*Niculescu and Persson, 2006*) A function  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is called *J*-convex or convex in Jensen sense if

$$\mathscr{G}\left(\frac{m_1+m_2}{2}\right) \le \frac{\mathscr{G}(m_1)+\mathscr{G}(m_2)}{2} \tag{1.2.3}$$

*holds for all*  $m_1, m_2 \in V$ .

Considering the importance of inequality (1.3), Jansen was the first to relate it with a convex function. If *J*-convex is continuous, the inequality (1.3) is equivalent to (1.2.1), a convexity.

**Theorem 1.1** (*Niculescu and Persson, 2006*) Suppose that  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous function. Then  $\mathscr{G}$  is convex iff  $\mathscr{G}$  is J-convex, that is,

$$\mathscr{G}\left(\frac{m_1+m_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{\mathscr{G}(m_1)+\mathscr{G}(m_2)}{2}$$

for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$ .

For other results of convex function, we refer the reader to Phelps (2009), Borwein et al. (2010), Udriste (2013) and Ullah et al. (2019).

Convex functions can be generalized in different ways. Thus, in the following subheading, we present the definition of generalized convex function on fractal sets, along with their examples and a related theorem.

## 1.2.1 Generalized convex functions on fractal sets

The definition of generalized convex functions on fractal sets  $\mathbb{R}^{\alpha}(0 < \alpha \leq 1)$  is given by Mo et al. (2014) as follows.

**Definition 1.4** Let  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^{\alpha}$ . For any  $m_1, m_2 \in V$  and  $\zeta \in [0, 1]$ , if the following inequality

$$\mathscr{G}\left(\zeta m_1 + (1-\zeta)m_2\right) \le \zeta^{\alpha} \mathscr{G}\left(m_1\right) + (1-\zeta)^{\alpha} \mathscr{G}\left(m_2\right)$$

holds, then  $\mathcal{G}$  is called a generalized convex function on V.

A linear function  $\mathscr{G}(m) = c_1^{\alpha} m^{\alpha} + c_2^{\alpha}, c_1, c_2, m \in \mathbb{R}$  is both generalized convex and concave. Meanwhile, the following functions serve as examples of strictly convex.

- i.  $\mathscr{G}(m) = m^{\alpha p}, p > 1.$
- ii.  $\mathscr{G}(m) = E_{\alpha}(m^{\alpha}), m \in \mathbb{R}$ , where  $E_{\alpha}(m^{\alpha}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{m^{\alpha k}}{\Gamma(1+k\alpha)}$  is the Mittag-Leffer function (Gorenflo et al., 2014).

Now, the following theorem gives an important characteristic of generalized convex function.

**Theorem 1.2** (*Mo et al.*, 2014) Let  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^{\alpha}$ , then  $\mathscr{G}$  is a generalized convex function iff the inequality

$$\frac{\mathscr{G}(c_1) - \mathscr{G}(c_2)}{(c_1 - c_2)^{\alpha}} \le \frac{\mathscr{G}(c_2) - \mathscr{G}(c_3)}{(c_2 - c_3)^{\alpha}}$$

*holds, for any*  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in V$  *with*  $c_1 < c_2 < c_3$ *.* 

For further results of generalized convex function on fractal sets, we refer the reader to Set and Tomar (2016), Sun (2017) and Sarıkaya et al. (2019).

In the following subheading, we discuss the relation between monotonicity and differentiability of a convex function.

#### 1.2.2 Monotonicity and differentiability of convex functions

An important property of a function, through which its graph either increases or decreases, is called monotonicity. A function  $\mathscr{G}$ , preserving the order, can be monotonically increasing (decreasing) if for any two points  $m_1, m_2 \in V$  such that  $m_1 \leq m_2$ , and  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  then  $\mathscr{G}(m_1) \leq (\geq) \mathscr{G}(m_2)$ .

The following theorems describe the relation between the monotonicity and the derivatives of convex functions.

**Theorem 1.3** (*Peajcariaac and Tong*, 1992) Suppose that  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is a convex (strictly convex) function. Then  $\mathscr{G}'_{-}(m)$  and  $\mathscr{G}'_{+}(m)$  exist, which are increasing (strictly increasing) on  $V^{\circ}$  (the interior of V).

**Theorem 1.4** (*Peajcariaac and Tong*, 1992) Let  $\mathscr{G}$  be a differentiable function on  $(m_1, m_2)$ . Therefore,  $\mathscr{G}$  is convex (strictly convex) iff  $\mathscr{G}'$  is increasing (strictly increasing).

The second derivative is important since it can be used to determine the convexity of a twice differentiable function.

**Theorem 1.5** (*Robert and Varberg, 1973*) Let  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable function. If  $\mathscr{G}''$  exists on  $V^\circ$ , then  $\mathscr{G}$  is convex (strictly convex) on V iff  $\mathscr{G}''(m) \ge (>)$  0 for every  $m \in V$ .

#### **1.3** Different types of convex functions

The theory of convexity deals with large classes, such as Godunova-Levin, *s*-convex and preinvex functions. These, termed as the generalization of convexity, play important roles in optimization theory and mathematical programming. In this subheading, therefore, we give basic definitions of different classes of convex functions. Important properties and examples are also discussed herein.

#### 1.3.1 Godunova-Levin and P-functions

The space Godunova-Levin function, denoted by Q(V), was introduced by Godunova and Levin (1985). They noted that both the positive monotone and positive convex functions are belonged to Q(V). Due to the importance of this function, we present it as follows.

**Definition 1.5** (*Mitrinović et al.*, 2013) A non-negative function  $\mathcal{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is called Godunova-Levin function (denoted by  $\mathcal{G} \in Q(V)$ ) if

$$\mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1 - \zeta)m_2) \le \frac{1}{\zeta}\mathscr{G}(m_1) + \frac{1}{1 - \zeta}\mathscr{G}(m_2)$$

$$(1.3.1)$$

holds, for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$  and  $\zeta \in (0, 1)$ .

**Example 1.2** (*Dragomir et al., 1995*) For  $x \in [m_1, m_2]$ , the function

$$\mathscr{G}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & m_1 \le x < \frac{m_1 + m_2}{2} \\ 4, & x = \frac{m_1 + m_2}{2} \\ 1, & \frac{m_1 + m_2}{2} < x \le m_2 \end{cases}$$

is in the class Q(V).

Godunova-Levin function was restricted to a space called P(V) contained in Q(V). This class is defined by Dragomir et al. (1995) as follows.

**Definition 1.6** A non-negative function  $\mathscr{G} : V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is called *P*-function (denoted by  $\mathscr{G} \in P(V)$ ) if

$$\mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1 - \zeta)m_2) \le \mathscr{G}(m_1) + \mathscr{G}(m_2)$$

holds, for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$  and  $\zeta \in [0, 1]$ .

Therefore, all non-negative monotone and convex functions are contained in P(V).

For other results of Godunova-Levin and *P*-functions, see Radulescu et al. (2009), Fujii et al. (2011), Fang and Shi (2014), Kadakal et al. (2017) and Bekar (2019).

#### **1.3.2** *s*-convex function in the second sense

The definition of *s*-convex function in the second sense or *s*-Breckner convex is given as follows.

**Definition 1.7** (Breckner, 1978) A function  $\mathscr{G} : [0,\infty) \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be s-convex in second sense (denoted by  $\mathscr{G} \in K_s^2$ ), if

$$\mathscr{G}(\zeta_1 m_1 + \zeta_2 m_2) \le \zeta_1^s \mathscr{G}(m_1) + \zeta_2^s \mathscr{G}(m_2) \tag{1.3.2}$$

holds, for all  $m_1, m_2 \in [0, \infty)$ ,  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \ge 0$ ,  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = 1$  and  $0 < s \le 1$ .

Choosing s = 1 reduces *s*-convexity in second sense to the classical convex function on  $[0,\infty)$ .

The following property that is connected to *s*-convex function in the second sense is given bellow.

**Theorem 1.6** (*Hudzik and Maligranda, 1994*) If  $\mathscr{G} \in K_s^2$ , then  $\mathscr{G}$  is non-negative on  $[0,\infty)$ .

For some properties of *s*-convexity in second sense, see the references (Dragomir and Fitzpatrick, 1999; Du et al., 2017; Usta et al., 2018; Gozpinar et al., 2019).

Hudzik and Maligranda (1994) present the example of *s*-convex function in the second sense as follows.

**Example 1.3** Let 0 < s < 1 and  $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Defining

$$\mathscr{G}(m) = \begin{cases} c_1, & m = 0\\ c_2 m^s + c_3, & m > 0 \end{cases}$$

for  $m \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , we have

*i.* If  $c_2 \ge 0$  and  $0 \le c_3 \le c_1$ , then  $\mathscr{G} \in K_s^2$ , *ii.* If  $c_2 > 0$  and  $c_3 < 0$ , then  $\mathscr{G} \notin K_s^2$ .

As Hudzik and Maligranda mentioned that the condition  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = 1$  in definition 1.7 can be replaced by  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 \leq 1$ , equivalently.

**Theorem 1.7** (Hudzik and Maligranda, 1994) Suppose that  $\mathscr{G} \in K_s^2$ . The inequality (1.3.2) holds for all  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \ge 0$  with  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 \le 1$  iff  $\mathscr{G}(0) = 0$ .

The geometric description of *s*-convex curve, given in the definition below, was clearly explained in Pinheiro (2007).

**Definition 1.8** A function  $\mathscr{G}: V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is called an s-convex in the second sense for 0 < s < 1, if the graph of the function is below a bent chord L that is between any two points. This means that, for every compact interval  $W \subset V$ , the following inequality

$$\sup_{W} (L - \mathscr{G}) \geq \sup_{\partial W} (L - \mathscr{G})$$

holds, with boundary  $\partial W$ .

The *s*-convex function of second sense can be referred as the limiting curve. This differentiates the curves of *s*-convex in second sense from others which are not. Following this, Pinheiro determines the affects of the choice of *s* on the limiting curve.

For further results on *s*-convex function in the second sense, we refer the reader to Suneja et al. (1993), Dragomir and Fitzpatrick (2000), Alomari and Darus (2008), Dragomir (2016), Shuang et al. (2013) and Li and Du (2017).

### 1.3.3 Generalized s-convex in the second sense on fractal sets

The definition of the generalized s-convex function on fractal sets is given as follows.

**Definition 1.9** (Mo et al., 2014) A function  $\mathscr{G}: V \subseteq \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}^{\alpha}$  is a generalized sconvex in the second sense on fractal sets if

$$\mathscr{G}\left(\zeta_1 m_1 + \zeta_2 m_2\right) \le \zeta_1^{\alpha s} \mathscr{G}(m_1) + \zeta_2^{\alpha s} \mathscr{G}(m_2) \tag{1.3.3}$$

holds, for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$ ,  $0 < s \le 1$ ,  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \ge 0$  and  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 = 1$ . This class of function is denoted by  $GK_s^2$ .

The generalized *s*-convex function in the second sense becomes *s*-convex function when  $\alpha = 1$ .

One should note that the following theorems along with example can be found in Mo et al. (2014).

**Theorem 1.8** Let  $\mathscr{G} \in GK_s^2$ . Inequality (1.3.3) holds for all  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \geq 0$  with  $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 < 1$  iff  $\mathscr{G}(0) = 0^{\alpha}$ .

**Theorem 1.9** Let 0 < s < 1. If  $\mathscr{G} \in GK_s^2$ , then  $\mathscr{G}$  is non-negative on  $[0, +\infty)$ .

**Theorem 1.10** Let 
$$0 < s_1 \le s_2 \le 1$$
. If  $\mathscr{G} \in GK_{s_2}^2$  and  $\mathscr{G}(0) = 0^{\alpha}$ , then  $\mathscr{G} \in GK_{s_1}^2$ 

Considering the properties of the generalized *s*-convex in the second sense, we present the following example.

**Example 1.4** Let 0 < s < 1, and  $a_1^{\alpha}, a_2^{\alpha}, a_3^{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}^{\alpha}$ . For  $m \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , we define

$$\mathscr{G}(m) = \begin{cases} a_1^{\alpha}, & m = 0\\ a_2^{\alpha} m^{s\alpha} + a_3^{\alpha}, & m > 0. \end{cases}$$

Thus, we have the following:

- *i.* If  $a_2^{\alpha} \ge 0^{\alpha}$  and  $0^{\alpha} \le a_3^{\alpha} \le a_1^{\alpha}$ , then  $\mathscr{G} \in GK_s^2$ ,
- ii. If  $a_2^{\alpha} > 0^{\alpha}$  and  $a_3^{\alpha} < 0^{\alpha}$ , then  $\mathscr{G} \notin GK_s^2$ .

For more results related to the generalized *s*-convex in the second sense on fractal sets , the interested reader is directed to Kılıçman and Saleh (2015a), Budak et al. (2016) and Partap et al. (2019).

#### 1.3.4 s-Godunova-Levin function

In order to unify the concepts of Godunova-Levin and P-functions, Dragomir (2016) introduced *s*-Godunova-Levin as follows.

**Definition 1.10** A function  $\mathscr{G}: V \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to [0,\infty)$  is said to be s-Godunova-Levin, (denoted by  $\mathscr{G} \in Q_{s_2}(V)$ ), if

$$\mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1 - \zeta)m_2) \le \frac{1}{\zeta^s}\mathscr{G}(m_1) + \frac{1}{(1 - \zeta)^s}\mathscr{G}(m_2)$$
(1.3.4)

holds, for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$ ,  $\zeta \in (0, 1)$  and  $0 \le s \le 1$ .

Choosing s = 1 reduces *s*-Godunova-Levin function to the the class of Godunova-Levin. Also, taking s = 0 we have the class of *P*-function. Thus, we have the following,  $P(V) = Q_0(V) \subseteq Q_{s_2}(V) \subseteq Q_1(V) = Q(V)$ . For more results on *s*-Godunova-Levin of convexity, we refer the reader to Noor et al. (2014), Park (2015) and Kashuri and Liko (2018).

# 1.3.5 Preinvex function

Preinvex functions are among the most important classes of generalized convex functions. This concept, playing important roles in many disciplines, was proposed by Ben-Israel and Mond (1986). Since then, a preinvex function has become an active area of study.

**Definition 1.11** (*Hanson, 1981*) A set  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is called an invex if there exists a function  $\eta : V \times V \to \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$m_1 + \zeta \eta(m_2, m_1) \in V$$

holds, for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$  and  $\zeta \in [0, 1]$ .

The invex set V can also referred to as an  $\eta$ -connected set.

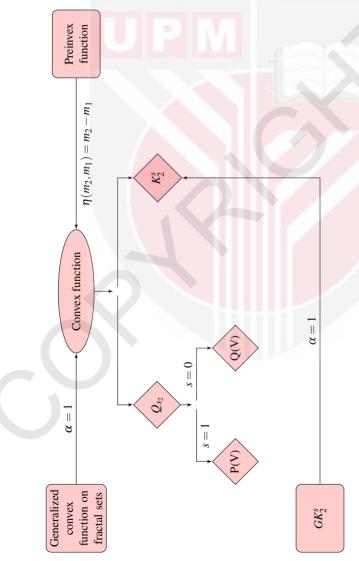
**Definition 1.12** (Ben-Israel and Mond, 1986) Suppose that  $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is an invex set with respect to  $\eta : V \times V \to \mathbb{R}$ . A function  $\mathscr{G} : V \to \mathbb{R}$  is called preinvex with respect to  $\eta$ , if

$$\mathscr{G}(m_1 + \zeta \eta(m_2, m_1)) \le (1 - \zeta) \mathscr{G}(m_1) + \zeta \mathscr{G}(m_2) \tag{1.3.5}$$

holds, for all  $m_1, m_2 \in V$  and  $\zeta \in [0, 1]$ .

Further generalizations can be found in Weir and Mond (1988); Matloka (2014); Jue-You (2010); Meftah et al. (2017); Meftah and Souahi (2019).

Thus far, this section is concerned with the descriptions of different types of convexities: Godunova-Levin, P-function, *s*-convex in the second sense, *s*-Godunova-Levin, generalized convex function on fractal sets, generalized *s*-convex function in the second sense on fractal sets and preinvex function. In order to observe the relations between these functions, we combine them in Figure 1.2.



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#### 1.4 Hermite-Hadamard inequality

H-H inequality plays a vital role in the theory of convexity. This inequality estimates the integral average of any convex functions through the midpoint and trapezoidal formula of a given domain. While the midpoint formula estimates the integral from the left, the trapezoidal formula estimates it from the right. More precisely, the classical H-H inequality is considered as follows.

**Theorem 1.11** (*Dragomir and Pearce, 2004*) Let  $\mathscr{G}$  :  $[m_1, m_2] \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function on  $[m_1, m_2]$  with  $m_1 < m_2$ , then

$$(m_2 - m_1)\mathscr{G}\left(\frac{m_1 + m_2}{2}\right) \le \int_{m_1}^{m_2} \mathscr{G}(x) dx \le (m_2 - m_1)\frac{\mathscr{G}(m_1) + \mathscr{G}(m_2)}{2} \quad (1.4.1)$$

holds.

The proof of inequality (1.4.1) is provided here for simplicity. Though the proof of the theorem exists, this is the first time (1.4.1) is proved using a similar technique reported in Sarikaya et al. (2012).

#### **Proof:**

Let  $\mathscr{G}$  be a convex function on the interval  $[m_1, m_2]$ . Taking  $\zeta = \frac{1}{2}$  in inequality (1.2.1) for  $x, y \in [m_1, m_2]$ , we have

$$\mathscr{G}\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \le \frac{\mathscr{G}(x) + \mathscr{G}(y)}{2}.$$
 (1.4.2)

Substituting  $x = \zeta m_1 + (1 - \zeta)m_2$  and  $y = (1 - \zeta)m_1 + \zeta m_2$  in (1.4.2), we get

$$2\mathscr{G}\left(\frac{m_1+m_2}{2}\right) \le \mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1-\zeta)m_2) + \mathscr{G}((1-\zeta)m_1 + \zeta m_2).$$
(1.4.3)

Integrating inequality (1.4.3) with respect to  $\zeta$  over [0,1], we have

$$2\mathscr{G}\left(\frac{m_1+m_2}{2}\right) \le \int_0^1 \mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1-\zeta)m_2)d\zeta + \int_0^1 \mathscr{G}((1-\zeta)m_1 + \zeta m_2)d\zeta$$
$$= \frac{2}{m_2 - m_1} \int_{m_1}^{m_2} \mathscr{G}(x)dx.$$
(1.4.4)

In order to prove the second part of inequality (1.4.1), we used Definition 1.1, for  $\zeta \in [0, 1]$  to arrive at

$$\mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1-\zeta)m_2) \le \zeta \mathscr{G}(m_1) + (1-\zeta)\mathscr{G}(m_2)$$

and

$$\mathscr{G}((1-\zeta)m_1+\zeta m_2) \leq (1-\zeta)\mathscr{G}(m_1)+\zeta \mathscr{G}(m_2).$$

When the above inequalities are added, we obtain the following

$$\mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1 - \zeta)m_2) + \mathscr{G}((1 - \zeta)m_1 + \zeta m_2) \leq \zeta \mathscr{G}(m_1) + (1 - \zeta)\mathscr{G}(m_2) + (1 - \zeta)\mathscr{G}(m_1) + \zeta \mathscr{G}(m_2).$$

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Integrating inequality (1.4.5) with respect to  $\zeta$  over [0, 1], we have

$$\int_0^1 \mathscr{G}(\zeta m_1 + (1 - \zeta)m_2)d\zeta + \int_0^1 \mathscr{G}((1 - \zeta)m_1 + \zeta m_2)d\zeta \leq [\mathscr{G}(m_1) + \mathscr{G}(m_2)]\int_0^1 d\zeta.$$

Thus,

$$\frac{2}{m_2-m_1}\int_{m_1}^{m_2}\mathscr{G}(x)dx \leq \mathscr{G}(m_1)+\mathscr{G}(m_2)$$

completes the proof.

The H-H inequality is geometrically described in Niculescu and Persson (2006), and we have summarized it as follows:

The area under the graph of  $\mathscr{G}$  on  $[m_1, m_2]$  is between the areas of two trapeziums. While the area of the first trapezium is formed by the points of coordinates  $(m_1, \mathscr{G}(m_1)), (m_2, \mathscr{G}(m_2))$  with the *x*-axis, that of the second trapezium is formed by the tangent to the graph of  $\mathscr{G}$  at  $\left(\frac{m_1+m_2}{2}, \mathscr{G}\left(\frac{m_1+m_2}{2}\right)\right)$  with the *x*-axis (see Figure 1.3).

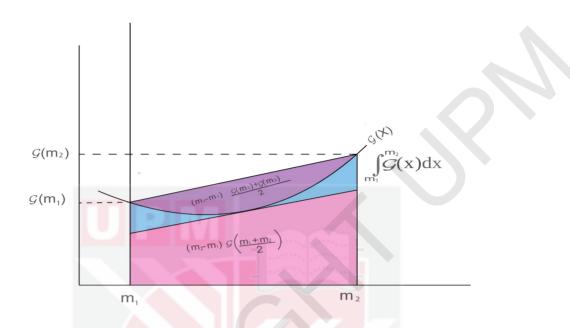


Figure 1.3: The geometrical representation of inequality (1.4.1)

The example of H-H inequality is given as follows.

**Example 1.5** (Niculescu and Persson, 2004) If we choose  $\mathcal{G} = e^x$  with  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , the *H*-*H* inequality yields

$$(m_1+m_2)/2 < rac{e^{m_2}-e^{m_1}}{m_2-m_1} < rac{e^{m_1}+e^{m_2}}{2}$$

for  $m_1 < m_2$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

For more examples of H-H inequality, see Khattri (2010) and Dragomir and Pearce (2004).

# 1.5 Characterisations of Convexity via H-H inequality

The importance of the H-H inequality is that each of its two sides is characterized a convex function. The necessary and sufficient condition for a continuous function  $\mathscr{G}$  to be convex on  $(m_1, m_2)$  is given in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.12** (*Hardy et al., 1952*) Let  $\mathscr{G}$  be a continuous function on  $(m_1, m_2)$ . Then  $\mathscr{G}$  is convex iff

$$\mathscr{G}(x) \le \frac{1}{2z} \int_{x-z}^{x+z} \mathscr{G}(\zeta) d\zeta, \qquad (1.5.1)$$

for  $m_1 \leq x - z \leq x \leq z + k \leq m_2$ .

It can be shown that inequality (1.5.1) is equivalent to the first part of (1.4.1) when  $\mathscr{G}$  is continuous on  $[m_1, m_2]$  (see Dragomir and Pearce, 2004).

The second part of inequality (1.4.1) can be applied as a convexity criterion in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.13** (Robert and Varberg, 1973) Let  $\mathscr{G}$  be continuous function on  $[m_1, m_2]$ . Then  $\mathscr{G}$  is convex iff

$$\frac{1}{a_2-a_1}\int_{a_1}^{a_2} \mathscr{G}(x)dx \leq \frac{\mathscr{G}(a_1)+\mathscr{G}(a_2)}{2},$$

for all  $m_1 < a_1 < a_2 < m_2$ .

## 1.6 Fractional calculus

Recently, integral inequalities have been studied, by many researchers, using fractional calculus, which is concerned with derivatives and integrals of non-integer order. The derivatives of fractional calculus are defined via fractional integrals. Fractional calculus have been receiving more attention due to their applications in different fields of science and technology (see Cafagna, 2007; Machado et al., 2011; Yang, 2019; Hilfer, 2019).

In order to understand the fractional calculus, three types of special functions, Euler Gamma, Beta and generalized Beta functions, are introduced here due to their importance.

**Definition 1.13** The Euler Gamma function, which is a generalization of factorial function, is defined by

$$\Gamma(m) = \int_0^\infty r^{m-1} \mathrm{e}^{-r} dr, \quad \text{for } m > 0.$$

For instance,  $\Gamma(1) = 1$ ,  $\Gamma(2) = 1$  and  $\Gamma(3/2) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$ .

**Corollary 1.1** *For*  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ *, we have*  $\Gamma(m+1) = m!$ *.* 

One should note that this is not the only definition of a gamma function. Other definitions also exist except for a non-negative integer. For example, a gamma function for a complex number can also be defined (see Andrews et al., 1999; Sebah and Gourdon, 2002; Thukral, 2014). Therefore, the gamma function, appearing in most fractional integrals, is studied along with its properties by many researchers.

A basic property of  $\Gamma$  that is frequently used in this study can be easily shown through the integration by parts,

$$\Gamma(m+1) = m\Gamma(m).$$

Meanwhile, the Beta function is defined as follows:

**Definition 1.14** The Beta function  $\beta$  is given as

$$\beta(m_1, m_2) = \int_0^1 r^{m_1 - 1} (1 - r)^{m_2 - 1} dr, \quad m_1, m_2 > 0.$$

Mostly, the notation  $\beta(m_1, m_2)$  is conveniently used to replace the combination of Gamma function. The relation between the two functions is given by Gradshteyn and Ryzhik (1980). One should note that the property  $\beta(m_1, m_2) = \beta(m_2, m_1)$  guarantees that the Beta function is symmetric.

The generalization of the Beta function can be written as

$$\beta_{\rho}(m_1,m_2) = \int_0^1 \rho \left(1-r^{\rho}\right)^{m_2-1} \left(r^{\rho}\right)^{m_1-1} r^{\rho-1} dr, \quad m_1,m_2,\rho > 0.$$

Note that, as  $\rho \to 1, \beta_{\rho}(m_1, m_2) \to \beta(m_1, m_2)$ .

Now, we recall some basic definitions of fractional integrals that can be further used when developing some new results in this thesis. Important references include the monographs of Baleanu et al. (2011), Nigmatullin (1992), Kilbas et al. (2006), Diethelm (2010), Tarasov (2011), Malinowska et al. (2015), Salati et al. (2019), Garrappa et al. (2019), Hilfer and Luchko (2019), Das (2020) and Soradi-Zeid et al. (2020) are available for further reading. Also, the results reported in these references are considered as important discoveries on fractional calculus.

The next part of this section introduces the Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals, which can be severally used in other parts of this work.

**Definition 1.15** Let  $\mathscr{G} \in L_1[m_1, m_2]$ . The left and right sides Riemann-Liouville in-

tegrals denoted by  $J_{m_1^+}^{\lambda} \mathscr{G}$  and  $J_{m_2^-}^{\lambda} \mathscr{G}$  of order  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$  are defined by

$$J_{m_1^+}^{\lambda}\mathscr{G}(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_{m_1}^x (x-\gamma)^{\lambda-1} \mathscr{G}(\gamma) d\gamma, \quad x > m_1$$

and

$$J_{m_2}^{\lambda} \mathscr{G}(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_x^{m_2} (\gamma - x)^{\lambda - 1} \mathscr{G}(\gamma) d\gamma, \quad x < m_2,$$

respectively.

If  $\lambda = 1$  in the above equalities, we get the classical integral.

One should note that the Hadamard fractional integrals differ from those of the Riemann-Liouville since in the former the logarithmic functions of arbitrary exponents are included in the kernels of the integrals. Therefore, the Hadamard fractional integrals are defined as follows.

**Definition 1.16** (Samko et al., 1993) Let  $\lambda > 0$  with  $m - 1 < \lambda \le m, m \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $m_1 < x < m_2$ . The left and right sides Hadamard fractional integrals denoted by  $H^{\lambda}_{m_1}\mathscr{G}(x)$  and  $H^{\lambda}_{m_2}\mathscr{G}(x)$  of order  $\lambda$  of a function  $\mathscr{G}$  are given as

$$H_{m_1}^{\lambda}\mathscr{G}(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_{m_1}^x \left(\ln\frac{x}{\gamma}\right)^{\lambda-1} \frac{\mathscr{G}(\gamma)}{\gamma} d\gamma$$

and

$$H_{m_2}^{\lambda}\mathscr{G}(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_x^{m_2} \left(\ln\frac{\gamma}{x}\right)^{\lambda-1} \frac{\mathscr{G}(\gamma)}{\gamma} d\gamma,$$

respectively.

Anatoly (2001), Butzer et al. (2002a,b) and Kilbas et al. (2006) provide useful background and properties of Hadamard fractional integrals.

The following proposition is related to the Hadamard integrals.

**Proposition 1.1** (*Kilbas et al.*, 2006) If  $\lambda > 0$  and  $0 < m_1 < m_2 < \infty$ , the following relations hold:

$$\left(H_{m_1^+}^{\lambda}\left(\log\frac{\gamma}{m_1}\right)^{\beta-1}\right)(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\beta+\lambda)}\left(\log\frac{x}{m_1}\right)^{\beta+\lambda-1}$$

and

$$\left(H_{m_2^-}^{\lambda}\left(\log\frac{m_2}{\gamma}\right)^{\beta-1}\right)(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\beta+\lambda)}\left(\log\frac{m_2}{x}\right)^{\beta+\lambda-1}$$

The Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals, along with the Hadamard's fractional integrals, are generalized through the recent work of Katugampola (2015). These two integrals were combined and given in a single form. The following definition Katugampola (2015) modifies the old version Katugampola (2011) for Katugampola fractional integrals.

**Definition 1.17** Let  $[m_1,m_2] \subset \mathbb{R}$  be a finite interval. The left and right-sided Katugampola fractional integrals of order  $\lambda > 0$  for  $\mathscr{G} \in X_c^p(m_1,m_2)$  are defined by

$${}^{\rho}I_{m_{1}}^{\lambda}\mathscr{G}(x) = \frac{\rho^{1-\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_{m_{1}}^{x} \frac{\gamma^{\rho-1}}{\left(x^{\rho} - \gamma^{\rho}\right)^{1-\lambda}} \mathscr{G}(\gamma) d\gamma$$

and

$${}^{\rho}I_{m_{2}}^{\lambda}\mathscr{G}(x) = \frac{\rho^{1-\lambda}}{\Gamma(\lambda)}\int_{x}^{m_{2}}\frac{\gamma^{\rho-1}}{(\gamma^{\rho}-x^{\rho})^{1-\lambda}}\mathscr{G}(\gamma)d\gamma,$$

*with*  $m_1 < x < m_2$  *and*  $\rho > 0$ *.* 

Following this, the space  $X_c^p(m_1, m_2)$  ( $c \in \mathbb{R}, 1 \le p \le \infty$ ) is introduced as follows.

**Definition 1.18** (Anatoly, 2001) Let the space  $X_c^p(m_1, m_2)(c \in \mathbb{R}, 1 \le p \le \infty)$  of those complex-valued Lebesgue measurable functions  $\mathscr{G}$  on  $[m_1, m_2]$  for which  $|\mathscr{G}|_{X_c^p} < \infty$ , where the norm is defined by

$$\left|\mathscr{G}\right|_{X^p_c} = \left(\int_{m_1}^{m_2} |\zeta^c \mathscr{G}(\zeta)|^p \frac{d\zeta}{\zeta}\right)^{1/p} < \infty \quad (1 \le p < \infty, c \in \mathbb{R})$$

and for the case  $p = \infty$ 

$$|\mathscr{G}|_{X_c^{\infty}} = \operatorname{ess}\sup_{m_1 \le \zeta \le m_2} \left( \zeta^c |\mathscr{G}(\zeta)| \right) \quad (c \in \mathbb{R}),$$

where ess sup  $|\mathscr{G}(\zeta)|$  stands for the essential maximum of  $|\mathscr{G}(\zeta)|$ .

If c = 1/p,  $(X_c^p(m_1, m_2))$  reduces to  $(L_p(m_1, m_2))$ , the *p*-integrable function.

Important references on Katugampola fractional integrals and their applications are suggested for further reading (Butkovskii et al., 2013; Gaboury et al., 2013; Richard, 2014; Katugampola, 2014).

The relations among Katugampola fractional integrals, Riemann-Liouville integrals and Hadamard integrals are given in the next theorem. The left-sided version of the relation is considered here for its simplicity since similar results also exist for the right-sided operators. **Theorem 1.14** (*Katugampola, 2014*) Let  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\rho > 0$ . Then for  $x > m_1$ , we have

*i.* 
$$\lim_{\rho \to 1} {}^{\rho} I^{\lambda}_{m_1^+} \mathscr{G}(x) = J^{\lambda}_{m_1^+} \mathscr{G}(x),$$

*ii.* 
$$\lim_{\rho \to 0^+} {}^{\rho} I^{\lambda}_{m_1^+} \mathscr{G}(x) = H^{\lambda}_{m_1^+} \mathscr{G}(x).$$

**Remark 1.1** One should note that, while (i) is concerned with the Riemann-Liouville operators, (ii) is related to the Hadamard operators.

#### 1.7 Hölder integral inequality

The Hölder integral inequality plays an important role in both pure and applied sciences. Other areas of applying this inequality include the theory of convexity, which can be considered as one of the active and fast growing fields of studies in mathematical sciences. Thus, the Hölder's integral inequality is described in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.15** (*Mitrinović and Vasic, 1970*) Suppose that p > 1 and 1/p + 1/q = 1. If  $\mathscr{G}$  and  $\mathscr{K}$  are real functions on  $[m_1, m_2]$  such that  $|\mathscr{G}|^p$  and  $|\mathscr{K}|^q$  are integrable functions on  $[m_1, m_2]$ , then

$$\int_{m_1}^{m_2} |\mathscr{G}(x)\mathscr{K}(x)| dx \leq \left(\int_{m_1}^{m_2} |\mathscr{G}(x)|^p dx\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{m_1}^{m_2} |\mathscr{K}(x)|^q dx\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

holds.

The other version of Hölder integral inequality is called the power-mean integral, which is given in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.16** (*Mitrinović et al.*, 2013) Suppose that  $q \ge 1$ . Let  $\mathscr{G}$  and  $\mathscr{K}$  be real mappings on  $[m_1, m_2]$ . If  $|\mathscr{G}|$  and  $|\mathscr{G}||\mathscr{K}|^q$  are integrable functions in the given interval, then

$$\int_{m_1}^{m_2} |\mathscr{G}(x)\mathscr{K}(x)| dx \le \left(\int_{m_1}^{m_2} |\mathscr{G}(x)| dx\right)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{m_1}^{m_2} |\mathscr{G}(x)| |\mathscr{K}(x)|^q dx\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

holds.

### 1.8 Motivation

As mentioned earlier, H-H inequality plays fundamental roles in both pure and applied sciences. This cannot be overemphasized since the inequality frequently serves as a basis of many modelling problems. Extensions and generalizations of H-H inequality remain an active area of studies since several journal articles, books and monographs are devoted to reporting new findings connected to such inequalities. For example, the new fractional inequalities were produced via H-H type involving Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals (Sarikaya et al., 2012; Dragomir, 2017b). However, new results of H-H type inequalities involving Katugampola fractional integrals are lacking (Chen and Katugampola, 2017). Therefore, this study is concerned with the generalization of H-H type inequalities via different fractional integrals including Katugampola type.

#### 1.9 Problem Statement

The problem, in this study, is to formulate generalized H-H inequality for several forms of convex functions via different types of fractional integrals, such as Riemann-Liouville and Katugampola. Other problems include the estimation of mid-point type and trapezoid type inequalities connected with inequality (1.4.1). Furthermore, H-H type inequalities play a vital role in estimating error bounds of quadrature formula for numerical integrations (Dragomir and Agarwal, 1998; Wang and Feckan, 2018; Mehrez and Agarwal, 2019). Since the error bound estimate using Taylor's expansion involves the second derivative, H-H type inequalities can improve the estimate by considering only the first derivative. This would involve less partitioning points when compared to Taylor's methods (Dragomir and Wang, 1998; Agarwal et al., 2018).

# 1.10 Objectives

The main objective of this study is to generalize H-H type inequalities including their applications. These can be achieved through the following objectives.

- 1. To generalize integral inequalities of H-H type via *s*-convex function in the second sense.
- 2. To establish new integral inequalities of H-H type via new classes of convexities.
- 3. To improve the inequalities of H-H type via Riemann-Liouville integrals for generalized *s*-convex function on fractal sets.

- 4. To generalize H-H type inequalities for classical convex and generalized convex functions on fractal sets involving Katugampola fractional integrals.
- 5. To extend H-H type inequalities via Katugampola fractional integrals for generalized *s*-convex function on fractal sets.
- 6. To construct inequalities for special means of real numbers and estimate error bounds of quadrature formula for the numerical integration.

The contributions of this thesis are given in Figures 1.4 and 1.5, respectively.

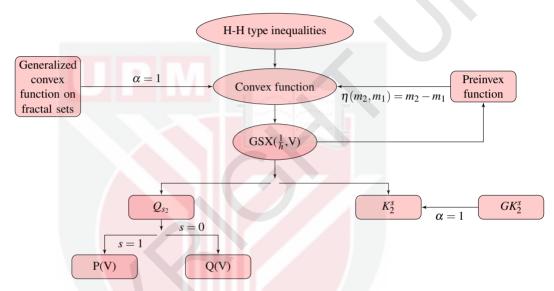


Figure 1.4: The generalization of H-H type inequalities for different types of convexities

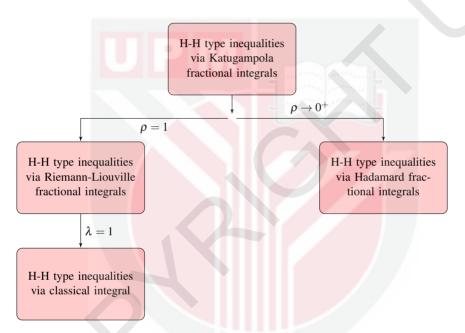


Figure 1.5: The generalization of H-H type inequalities via different fractional integrals

### 1.11 Research Methodology

Different types of fractional integrals are used to establish variant inequalities of H-H type involving different types of convexities. The new H-H type inequalities derived though different convexities, as well as fractional integrals, can be generalized by applying Hölder's and power-mean inequalities to the corresponding powers. Furthermore, some special means of real numbers are derived, and error bounds to some quadrature rules for numerical integration are also estimated.

### 1.12 Outline of the thesis

This thesis is devoted to the generalization and improvement of H-H type inequalities for different types of convexities and different fractional integrals, together with their applications. In order to achieve the goal of this thesis, the following outlines are given:

In Chapter 1, we present a general introduction of inequalities and theory of convex functions. This serves as the basis for understanding the subsequent chapters of this thesis. Basic concepts presented in this chapter include results of generalized convex function on fractal sets, *s*-convex in the second sense, generalized *s*-convex in the second sense on fractal sets, *P*-function, Godunova-Levin and preinvex functions including some of their properties. We equally investigate some properties that deal with geometrical interpretation of convex and *s*-convex functions. The developments of concepts that can lead to the generalization of different type of convex functions are outlined. We also give some background on fractional calculus. Some known inequalities of Hölder and power-mean are introduced. This chapter also presents the motivation and objectives of the whole study.

Chapter 2 focuses on the review of previous studies conducted by other researchers. Some of these previously published works are extended and generalized by most of our results. Thus, literature on some H-H type inequalities, along with their related generalizations and refinements, are rigorously conducted. Works on the special means of real numbers and the quadrature formula for the numerical integration are also presented.

In Chapter 3, new integral inequalities for *s*-convexity linked with H-H inequality are established. Some of the results we obtained in this chapter are the generalizations of inequalities in Mehrez and Agarwal (2019). Also, when numerically comparing the findings of the studies, our results performed better than those reported in Mehrez and Agarwal (2019). As an application, the inequalities for special means are derived. Error estimates for the midpoint formula are also studied in this chapter.

Chapter 4 deals with the study of new classes of convexity called *h*-Godunova-Levin and *h*-Godunova-Levin preinvexity. Using these new classes, a number of new inequalities of H-H type are established. This chapter is organized through the following steps:

-Firstly, the new classes of *h*-Godunova-Levin, denoted by  $SGX\left(\frac{1}{h},\zeta\right)$ , are introduced, along with their properties. This class of function unifies different classes of convexities: *s*-Godunova-Levin, P-function, *s*-convexity and Godunova-Levin. We further prove new H-H type inequalities via *h*-Godunova-Levin.

-Secondly, we introduce a new definition of *h*-Godunova-Levin preinvexity, denoted by  $SGXP\left(\frac{1}{h},\zeta\right)$ , which can be the generalization of preinvexity. Also, we present new H-H type inequalities for *h*-Godunova-Levin preinvexity.

Finally, some applications to special means and application to numerical integration are given.

In Chapter 5, we present new H-H type inequalities via Riemann-Liouville integrals of a function  $\mathscr{G}$  taking its value in a fractal subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . This function also possesses an appropriate generalized *s*-convexity on fractal sets. It is shown that these fractal inequalities give rise to a generalized *s*-convexity, a property of  $\mathscr{G}$ . We also prove certain inequalities involving Riemann-Liouville integrals of a function  $\mathscr{G}$  provided that the absolute value of the first or second order derivative of  $\mathscr{G}$  possesses an appropriate fractal *s*-convexity. We show that the newly established inequalities are the generalizations of those in Dragomir and Fitzpatrick (1999) and Set et al. (2014).

Chapter 6 defines a new identity for the Katugampola fractional integrals. Using this identity, we studied a new integral inequality for a function whose first derivative in absolute value is convex. The new generalized H-H inequality for generalized convex function on fractal sets involving Katugampola type fractional integral is established. This can be the generalization of the work of Chen and Katugampola (2017). The trapezoid and mid-point type inequalities are also proposed for the generalized convex function involving Katugampola fractional integrals. This, in a single form, would generalize the Riemann-Liouville and the Hadamard integrals.

Chapter 7 considers some new integral inequalities for generalized *s*-convexity via Katugampola fractional integrals on fractal sets linked with the H-H inequality. We present some inequalities for the type of mappings whose derivatives in absolute value are the generalized *s*-convexity. In addition, we obtain some new inequalities linked with convexity and generalized *s*-convexity via classical integrals as well as Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals in form of a corollary. As applications, the inequalities for special means are derived.

In Chapter 8, we summarize the entire work by recalling some important results obtained in this study. We equally recommend further studies for some open-ended problems.



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