

## NEW GENERALISATIONS OF GRUSS INEQUALITY USING RIEMANN-LIOUVILLE FRACTIONAL INTEGRALS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we use the Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals to establish some new integral inequalities of Gruss type. We give two main results; the first one deals with some inequalities using one fractional parameter. The second result concerns others inequalities using two fractional parameters.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In 1935, G. Gruss [3] proved the well known inequality:

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx - \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^b f(x)dx \right) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(x)dx \right) \leq \frac{(M-m)(P-p)}{4} \quad (1.1)$$

provided that  $f$  and  $g$  are two integrable functions on  $[a, b]$  and satisfying the conditions

$$m \leq f(x) \leq M, \quad p \leq g(x) \leq P; \quad m, M, p, P \in \mathbb{R}, x \in [a, b]. \quad (1.2)$$

The inequality (1.1) has evoked the interest of many researchers and numerous generalizations, variants and extensions have appeared in the literature, to mention a few, see [1, 4, 5, 6, 7] and the references cited therein.

The main aim of this paper is to establish some new generalizations for (1.1) by using the Riemann-Liouville fractional integrals. We give two main results; the first one deals with some inequalities using one fractional parameter. The second result concerns another class of inequalities using two fractional parameters.

### 2. BASIC DEFINITIONS OF THE FRACTIONAL CALCULUS

**Definition 1.** A real valued function  $f(t), t \geq 0$  is said to be in the space  $C_\mu, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$  if there exists a real number  $p > \mu$  such that  $f(t) = t^p f_1(t)$ , where  $f_1(t) \in C([0, \infty[)$ .

**Definition 2.** A function  $f(t), t \geq 0$  is said to be in the space  $C_\mu^n, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , if

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$f^{(n)} \in C_\mu$ .

**Definition 3.** The Riemann-Liouville fractional integral operator of order  $\alpha \geq 0$ , for a function  $f \in C_\mu$ , ( $\mu \geq -1$ ) is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} J^\alpha f(t) &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-\tau)^{\alpha-1} f(\tau) d\tau; \quad \alpha > 0, t > 0, \\ J^0 f(t) &= f(t), \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

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

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

$$J^\alpha J^\beta f(t) = J^{\alpha+\beta} f(t), \quad \alpha \geq 0, \beta \geq 0, \quad (2.2)$$

which implies the commutative property

$$J^\alpha J^\beta f(t) = J^\beta J^\alpha f(t). \quad (2.3)$$

More details, one can consult [2].

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two integrable functions on  $[0, \infty[$  satisfying the condition (1.2) on  $[0, \infty[$ . Then for all  $t > 0, \alpha > 0$ , we have:*

$$\left| \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha f g(t) - J^\alpha f(t) J^\alpha g(t) \right| \leq \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{2\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right)^2 (M-m)(P-p). \quad (3.1)$$

We need the following lemma

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $u$  be an integrable function on  $[0, \infty[$  satisfying the condition (1.2) on  $[0, \infty[$ . Then for all  $t > 0, \alpha > 0$ , we have:*

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha u^2(t) - \left( J^\alpha u(t) \right)^2 \\ &= \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha u(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha u(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \\ & \quad - \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha (M-u(t))(u(t)-m). \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

*Proof.* Let  $u$  be an integrable function on  $[0, \infty[$  satisfying the condition (1.2) on  $[0, \infty[$ . For any  $\tau, \rho \in [0, \infty[$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (M-u(\rho))(u(\tau)-m) + (M-u(\tau))(u(\rho)-m) \\ & - (M-u(\tau))(u(\tau)-m) - (M-u(\rho))(u(\rho)-m) \\ & = u^2(\tau) + u^2(\rho) - 2u(\tau)u(\rho). \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

Multiplying (3.3) by  $\frac{(t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$ ;  $\tau \in (0, t), t > 0$  and integrating the resulting identity with respect to  $\tau$  from 0 to  $t$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( M - u(\rho) \right) \left( J^\alpha u(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) + \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha u(t) \right) \left( u(\rho) - m \right) \\ & - J^\alpha \left( (M - u(t))(u(t) - m) \right) - \left( M - u(\rho) \right) \left( u(\rho) - m \right) \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \\ & = J^\alpha u^2(t) + u^2(\rho) \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - 2u(\rho) J^\alpha u(t). \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Now, multiplying (3.4) by  $\frac{(t-\rho)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$ ;  $\rho \in (0, t)$  and integrating the resulting identity with respect to  $\rho$  from 0 to  $t$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( J^\alpha u(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\alpha-1} (M - u(\rho)) d\rho \\ & + \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha u(t) \right) \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\alpha-1} (u(\rho) - m) d\rho \\ & - J^\alpha \left( (M - u(t))(u(t) - m) \right) \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\alpha-1} d\rho \\ & - \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\alpha-1} (M - u(\rho))(u(\rho) - m) d\rho \\ & = \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha u^2(t) + J^\alpha u^2(t) \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - 2J^\alpha u(t) J^\alpha u(t) \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

which gives (3.2) and proves the lemma.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 3.1.* Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two functions satisfying the conditions of Theorem 3.1.

Define

$$H(\tau, \rho) := (f(\tau) - f(\rho))(g(\tau) - g(\rho)); \tau, \rho \in (0, t), t > 0. \quad (3.6)$$

Then, multiplying (3.6) by  $\frac{(t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}(t-\rho)^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma^2(\alpha)}$ ;  $\tau, \rho \in (0, t)$  and integrating with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\rho$  over  $(0, t)^2$ , we can state that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\Gamma^2(\alpha)} \int_0^t \int_0^t (t-\tau)^{\alpha-1} (t-\rho)^{\alpha-1} H(\tau, \rho) d\tau d\rho \\ & = 2 \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha f g(t) - 2J^\alpha f(t) J^\alpha g(t). \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Applying Cauchy Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha f g(t) - J^\alpha f(t) J^\alpha g(t) \right)^2 \\ & \leq \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha f^2(t) - (J^\alpha f(t))^2 \right) \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha g^2(t) - (J^\alpha g(t))^2 \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Since  $(M - f(x))(f(x) - m) \geq 0$  and  $(P - g(x))(g(x) - p) \geq 0$ , we have

$$\frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha (M - f(t))(f(t) - m) \geq 0 \quad (3.9)$$

and

$$\frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha (P - g(t))(g(t) - p) \geq 0. \quad (3.10)$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha f^2(t) - \left( J^\alpha f(t) \right)^2 \\ & \leq \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha f(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha f(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha g^2(t) - \left( J^\alpha g(t) \right)^2 \\ & \leq \left( P \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha g(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha g(t) - p \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

By Lemma 3.2 and the inequalities (3.8), (3.11), (3.12), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\alpha f g(t) - 2 J^\alpha f(t) J^\alpha g(t) \right)^2 \\ & \leq \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha f(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha f(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \left( P \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha g(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha g(t) - p \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

Now using the elementary inequality  $4rs \leq (r+s)^2$ ,  $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$ , we can state that

$$4 \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha f(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha f(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \leq \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (M - m) \right)^2 \quad (3.14)$$

and

$$4 \left( P \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha g(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha g(t) - p \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \leq \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (P - p) \right)^2. \quad (3.15)$$

Using (3.13), (3.14) and (3.15) we get (3.1).  $\square$

**Remark.** Applying Theorem 3.1 for  $\alpha = 1$ , we obtain the inequality (1.1) on  $[0, t]$ .

Our next result is the following theorem, in which we use two real positive parameters.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two integrable functions on  $[0, \infty[$  satisfying the condition (1.2) on  $[0, \infty[$ . Then for all  $t > 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$ , we have:*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta f g(t) + \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha f g(t) - J^\alpha f(t) J^\beta g(t) - J^\beta f(t) J^\alpha g(t) \right)^2 \\
& \leq \left[ \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha f(t) \right) \left( J^\beta f(t) - m \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} \right) + \left( J^\alpha f(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \left( M \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} - J^\beta f(t) \right) \right] \\
& \quad \times \left[ \left( P \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha g(t) \right) \left( J^\beta g(t) - p \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} \right) + \left( J^\alpha g(t) - p \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \left( P \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} - J^\beta g(t) \right) \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

To prove Theorem 3.3 we need the following lemmas:

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be two integrable functions on  $[0, \infty[$ . Then for all  $t > 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$ , we have:*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta f g(t) + \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha f g(t) - J^\alpha f(t) J^\beta g(t) - J^\beta f(t) J^\alpha g(t) \right)^2 \\
& \leq \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta f^2(t) + \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha f^2(t) - 2J^\alpha f(t) J^\beta f(t) \right) \\
& \quad \times \left( \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta g^2(t) + \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha g^2(t) - 2J^\alpha g(t) J^\beta g(t) \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

*Proof.* Multiplying (3.6) by  $\frac{(t-\tau)^{\alpha-1}(t-\rho)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}$ ;  $\tau, \rho \in (0, t)$ , integrating with respect to  $\tau$  and  $\rho$  over  $(0, t)^2$ , then applying the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for double integrals, we obtain (3.17).  $\square$

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $u$  be an integrable function on  $[0, \infty[$  satisfying the condition (1.2) on  $[0, \infty[$ . Then for all  $t > 0, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$ , we have:*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta u^2(t) + \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha u^2(t) - 2J^\alpha u(t) J^\beta u(t) \\
& = \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha u(t) \right) \left( J^\beta u(t) - m \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} \right) + \left( M \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} - J^\beta u(t) \right) \left( J^\alpha u(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \\
& \quad - \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta (M - u(t))(u(t) - m) - \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha (M - u(t))(u(t) - m).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

*Proof.* Multiplying (3.4) by  $\frac{(t-\rho)^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)}$ ;  $\rho \in (0, t)$  and integrating the resulting identity with respect to  $\rho$  from 0 to  $t$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( J^\alpha u(t) - m \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \right) \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\beta-1} (M - u(\rho)) d\rho \\ & + \left( M \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - J^\alpha u(t) \right) \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\beta-1} (u(\rho) - m) d\rho \\ & - J^\alpha \left( (M - u(t))(u(t) - m) \right) \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\beta-1} d\rho \\ & - \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^t (t-\rho)^{\beta-1} (M - u(\rho))(u(\rho) - m) d\rho \\ & = \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta u^2(t) + J^\beta u^2(t) \frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} - 2J^\alpha u(t) J^\beta u(t). \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

Lemma 3.5 is thus proved.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 3.3.* Since  $(M - f(x))(f(x) - m) \geq 0$  and  $(P - g(x))(g(x) - p) \geq 0$ , then can write

$$-\frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta (M - f(t))(f(t) - m) - \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha (M - f(t))(f(t) - m) \leq 0 \quad (3.20)$$

and

$$-\frac{t^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} J^\beta (P - g(t))(g(t) - p) - \frac{t^\beta}{\Gamma(\beta+1)} J^\alpha (P - g(t))(g(t) - p) \leq 0. \quad (3.21)$$

Applying Lemma 3.5 to  $f$  and  $g$ , then using Lemma 3.4 and the formulas (3.20), (3.21), we obtain (3.16).  $\square$

**Remark.** (i) Applying Theorem 3.3 for  $\alpha = \beta$  we obtain Theorem 3.1.

(ii) Applying Theorem 3.3 for  $\alpha = \beta = 1$ , we obtain the inequality (1.1) on  $[0, t]$ .

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