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AN OSTROWSKI TYPE INEQUALITY FOR DOUBLE INTEGRALS IN TERMS OF L_p - NORMS AND APPLICATIONS IN NUMERICAL INTEGRATION

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ABSTRACT. An inequality of the Ostrowski type for double integrals and applications in Numerical Analysis in connection with cubature formulae are given.

1 INTRODUCTION

In 1938, A. Ostrowski proved the following integral inequality [5, p. 468]

Theorem 1.1. *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) whose derivative $f' : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is bounded on (a, b) , i.e.,*

$\|f'\|_\infty := \sup_{t \in (a, b)} |f'(t)| < \infty$. Then we have the inequality

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \left[\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right)^2}{(b-a)^2} \right] (b-a) \|f'\|_\infty$$

for all $x \in [a, b]$.

The constant $\frac{1}{4}$ is the best possible.

For some generalizations see the book [5, p. 468-484] by Mitrinović, Pečarić and Fink.

Some applications of the above results in Numerical Integration and for special means have been given in [3] by S.S. Dragomir and S. Wang.

In [4] Dragomir and Wang established the following Ostrowski type inequality for differentiable mappings whose derivatives belong to L_p -spaces.

Theorem 1.2. *Let $f : I \subseteq \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable mapping on I° and $a, b \in I^\circ$ with $a < b$. If $f' \in L_p(a, b)$ ($p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$), then we have the inequality:*

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \left[\frac{(x-a)^{q+1} + (b-x)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_p$$

for all $x \in [a, b]$, where $\|f'\|_p := \left(\int_a^b |f'(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$, is the $L_p(a, b)$ -norm.

Note that the above inequality can also be obtained from Theorem 1.1 [5, p. 471] due to A.M. Fink.

For other Ostrowski type inequalities, see the papers [1, 2 and 4].

In 1975, G.N. Milovanović generalized Theorem 1.1 where f is a function of several variables [5, p. 468].

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Theorem 1.3. Let $f : \mathbf{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a differentiable function defined on $D = \{(x_1, \dots, x_m) \mid a_i \leq x_i \leq b_i (i = 1, \dots, m)\}$ and let $\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right| \leq M_i (M_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, m)$ in D . Furthermore, let function $x \mapsto p(x)$ be integrable and $p(x) > 0$ for every $x \in D$. Then for every $x \in D$, we have the inequality:

$$\left| f(x) - \frac{\int_D p(y) f(y) dy}{\int_D p(y) dy} \right| \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m M_i \int_D p(y) |x_i - y_i| dy}{\int_D p(y) dy}.$$

In the present paper we point out an Ostrowski type inequality for double integrals in terms of L_p -norms and apply it in Numerical Integration obtaining a general cubature formula.

2 THE RESULTS

The following inequality of Ostrowski's type for mappings of two variables holds:

Theorem 2.1. Let $f : [a, b] \times [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a continuous mapping on $[a, b] \times [c, d]$, $f''_{x,y} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$ exists on $(a, b) \times (c, d)$ and is in $L_p((a, b) \times (c, d))$, i.e.,

$$\|f''_{s,t}\|_p := \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d \left| \frac{\partial^2 f(x,y)}{\partial x \partial y} \right|^p dx dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty, \quad p > 1$$

then we have the inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} (2.1) \quad & \left| \int_a^b \int_c^d f(s,t) ds dt - [(b-a) \int_c^d f(x,t) dt + (d-c) \int_a^b f(s,y) ds \right. \\ & \left. - (d-c)(b-a)f(x,y)] \right| \\ & \leq \left[\frac{(x-a)^{q+1} + (b-x)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[\frac{(y-c)^{q+1} + (d-y)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f''_{s,t}\|_p \end{aligned}$$

for all $(x, y) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$, where $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

Proof. Integrating by parts successively, we have the equality:

$$\begin{aligned} (2.2) \quad & \int_a^x \int_c^y (s-a)(t-c) f''_{s,t}(s,t) dt ds \\ & = (y-c)(x-a)f(x,y) - (y-c) \int_a^x f(s,y) ds \\ & \quad - (x-a) \int_c^y f(x,t) dt + \int_a^x \int_c^y f(s,t) ds dt. \end{aligned}$$

By similar computations we have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.3) \quad & \int_a^x \int_y^d (s-a)(t-d) f''_{s,t}(s,t) ds dt \\
 &= (x-a)(d-y) f(x,y) - (d-y) \int_a^x f(s,y) ds \\
 &\quad - (x-a) \int_y^d f(x,t) dt + \int_a^x \int_c^y f(s,t) ds dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.4) \quad & \int_x^b \int_y^d (s-b)(t-d) f''_{s,t}(s,t) ds dt \\
 &= (d-y)(b-x) f(x,y) - (d-y) \int_x^b f(s,y) ds \\
 &\quad - (b-x) \int_y^d f(x,t) dt + \int_x^b \int_y^d f(s,t) ds dt
 \end{aligned}$$

and finally

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.5) \quad & \int_x^b \int_c^y (s-b)(t-c) f''_{s,t}(s,t) ds dt \\
 &= (y-c)(b-x) f(x,y) - (y-c) \int_x^b f(s,y) ds \\
 &\quad - (b-x) \int_c^y f(x,t) dt + \int_x^b \int_c^y f(s,t) ds dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

If we add the equalities (2.2) – (2.5) we get, in the right hand side:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [(y-c)(x-a) + (x-a)(d-y) \\
 & + (d-y)(b-x) + (y-c)(b-x)] f(x,y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - (d - c) \int_a^x f(s, y) ds - (d - c) \int_x^b f(s, y) ds - (b - a) \int_c^y f(x, t) dt \\
& - (b - a) \int_y^d f(x, t) dt + \int_a^x \int_c^y f(s, t) ds dt + \int_a^x \int_y^d f(s, t) ds dt \\
& + \int_x^b \int_y^d f(s, t) ds dt + \int_x^b \int_c^y f(s, t) ds dt \\
& = (d - c) (b - a) f(x, y) - (d - c) \int_a^b f(s, y) ds \\
& - (b - a) \int_c^d f(x, t) dt + \int_a^b \int_c^d f(s, t) ds dt.
\end{aligned}$$

For the first part, let us define the kernels: $p : [a, b]^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $q : [c, d]^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ given by:

$$p(x, s) := \begin{cases} s - a & \text{if } s \in [a, x] \\ s - b & \text{if } s \in (x, b] \end{cases}$$

and

$$q(y, t) := \begin{cases} t - c & \text{if } t \in [c, y] \\ t - d & \text{if } t \in (y, d]. \end{cases}$$

Now, we deduce that the left part can be represented as :

$$\int_a^b \int_c^d p(x, s) q(y, t) f''_{s,t}(s, t) ds dt.$$

Consequently, we get the identity

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.6) \quad & \int_a^b \int_c^d p(x, s) q(y, t) f''_{s,t}(s, t) ds dt \\
& = (d - c) (b - a) f(x, y) - (d - c) \int_a^b f(s, y) ds \\
& - (b - a) \int_c^d f(x, t) dt + \int_a^b \int_c^d f(s, t) ds dt
\end{aligned}$$

for all $(x, y) \in [a, b] \times [c, d]$.

Now, using the identity (2.6) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_a^b \int_c^d f(s, t) ds dt - [(b-a) \int_c^d f(x, t) dt + (d-c) \int_a^b f(s, y) ds \right. \\ & \quad \left. - (d-c)(b-a)f(x, y)] \right| \\ & \leq \int_a^b \int_c^d |p(x, s)q(y, t)| |f''_{s,t}(s, t)| ds dt. \end{aligned}$$

Using Hölder's integral inequality for double integrals, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d |p(x, s)q(y, t)| |f''_{s,t}(s, t)| ds dt \\ & \leq \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d |p(x, s)q(y, t)|^q ds dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d |f''_{s,t}(s, t)|^p ds dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & = \left(\int_a^b |p(x, s)|^q ds \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_c^d |q(y, t)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f''_{s,t}\|_p \\ & = \left[\frac{(x-a)^{q+1} + (b-x)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \left[\frac{(y-c)^{q+1} + (d-y)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f''_{s,t}\|_p \end{aligned}$$

and the theorem is proved. ■

Corollary 2.2. *Under the above assumptions, we have the inequality:*

$$\begin{aligned} (2.7) \quad & \left| \int_a^b \int_c^d f(s, t) ds dt - \left[(b-a) \int_c^d f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, t\right) dt \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + (d-c) \int_a^b f\left(s, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) ds - (d-c)(b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{c+d}{2}\right) \right] \right| \\ & \leq \frac{(b-a)^{1+\frac{1}{q}}(d-c)^{1+\frac{1}{q}}}{4(q+1)^{\frac{2}{q}}} \|f''_{s,t}\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2.1. Consider the mapping $g : [\alpha, \beta] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $g(t) = (t - \alpha)^m + (\beta - t)^m$, ($m \geq 1$). Taking into account the fact that one has the properties

$$\inf_{t \in [\alpha, \beta]} g(t) = g\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) = \frac{(\beta - \alpha)^m}{2^{m-1}}$$

and

$$\sup_{t \in [\alpha, \beta]} g(t) = g(\alpha) = g(\beta) = (\beta - \alpha)^m$$

then, the above inequality (2.7) is the best that can be obtained from (2.1).

Remark 2.2. Now, if we assume that $f(s, t) = h(s)h(t)$, $h : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is continuous on $[a, b]$ and suppose that $\|h'\|_p < \infty$, then from (2.1) we get (for $x = y$)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_a^b h(s) ds \int_a^b h(s) ds - h(x)(b-a) \int_a^b h(s) ds \right. \\ & \quad \left. - h(x)(b-a) \int_a^b h(s) ds + (b-a)^2 h^2(x) \right| \\ & \leq \left[\frac{(x-a)^{q+1} + (b-x)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{2}{q}} \|h'\|_p^2 \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\left[\int_a^b h(s) ds - h(x)(b-a) \right]^2 \leq \left[\frac{(x-a)^{q+1} + (b-x)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{2}{q}} \|h'\|_p^2$$

which is clearly equivalent to Ostrowski's inequality. Consequently (2.1) can be also regarded as a generalization for double integrals of the result embodied in Theorem 1.2.

3 APPLICATIONS FOR CUBATURE FORMULAE

Let us consider the arbitrary division $I_n : a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$ and $J_m : c = y_0 < y_1 < \dots < y_{m-1} < y_m = b$ and $\xi_i \in [x_i, x_{i+1}]$ ($i = 0, \dots, n-1$), $\eta_j \in [y_j, y_{j+1}]$ ($j = 0, \dots, m-1$) be intermediate points. Consider the sum

$$\begin{aligned} C(f, I_n, J_m, \xi, \eta) & := \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} h_i \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} f(\xi_i, t) dt \\ & + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} l_j \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} f(s, \eta_j) ds - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} h_i l_j f(\xi_i, \eta_j) \end{aligned}$$

for which we assume that the involved integrals can more easily be computed than the original double integral

$$D := \int_a^b \int_c^d f(s, t) ds dt,$$

and

$$h_i := x_{i+1} - x_i \quad (i = 0, \dots, n-1), \quad l_j := y_{j+1} - y_j \quad (j = 0, \dots, m-1).$$

With this assumption, we can state the following cubature formula:

Theorem 3.1. *Let $f : [a, b] \times [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be as in Theorem 2.1 and I_n, J_m, ξ and η be as above. Then we have the cubature formula:*

$$\int_a^b \int_c^d f(s, t) \, ds dt = C(f, I_n, J_m, \xi, \eta) + R(f, I_n, J_m, \xi, \eta)$$

where the remainder term $R(f, I_n, J_m, \xi, \eta)$ satisfies the estimation:

$$(3.1) \quad |R(f, I_n, J_m, \xi, \eta)| \\ \leq \|f''_{s,t}\|_p \left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{(x_{i+1} - \xi_i)^{q+1} + (\xi_i - x_i)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ \times \left[\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(\frac{(y_{j+1} - \eta_j)^{q+1} + (\eta_j - y_j)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ \leq \frac{\|f''_{s,t}\|_p}{(q+1)^{\frac{2}{q}}} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i^{1+\frac{1}{q}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} l_j^{1+\frac{1}{q}}.$$

for all ξ and η as above.

Proof. Apply Theorem 2.1 on the interval $[x_i, x_{i+1}] \times [y_j, y_{j+1}]$ ($i = 0, \dots, n-1; j = 0, \dots, m-1$) to get:

$$\left| \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} f(s, t) \, ds dt - \left[h_i \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} f(\xi_i, t) \, dt + l_j \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} f(s, \eta_j) \, ds - h_i l_j f(\xi_i, \eta_j) \right] \right| \\ \leq \left[\left(\frac{(x_{i+1} - \xi_i)^{q+1} + (\xi_i - x_i)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \left(\frac{(y_{j+1} - \eta_j)^{q+1} + (\eta_j - y_j)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ \times \left(\int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} |f(s, t)|^p \, ds dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

for all $i = 0, \dots, n-1; j = 0, \dots, m-1$.

Summing over i from 0 to $n-1$ and over j from 0 to $m-1$ and using the generalized triangle inequality and Hölder's discrete inequality for double sums, we deduce

$$|R(f, I_n, J_m, \xi, \eta)|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left[\left(\frac{(x_{i+1} - \xi_i)^{q+1} + (\xi_i - x_i)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right. \\
&\times \left. \left(\frac{(y_{j+1} - \eta_j)^{q+1} + (\eta_j - y_j)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \times \left(\int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} |f(s, t)|^p ds dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\leq \left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{(x_{i+1} - \xi_i)^{q+1} + (\xi_i - x_i)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\times \left[\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(\frac{(y_{j+1} - \eta_j)^{q+1} + (\eta_j - y_j)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&\times \left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} |f(s, t)|^p ds dt \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{(x_{i+1} - \xi_i)^{q+1} + (\xi_i - x_i)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right. \\
&\times \left. \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left(\frac{(y_{j+1} - \eta_j)^{q+1} + (\eta_j - y_j)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \times \|f''_{s,t}\|_p.
\end{aligned}$$

To prove the second part, we observe that

$$(x_{i+1} - \xi_i)^{q+1} + (\xi_i - x_i)^{q+1} \leq (x_{i+1} - x_i)^{q+1}$$

and

$$(y_{j+1} - \eta_j)^{q+1} + (\eta_j - y_j)^{q+1} \leq (y_{j+1} - y_j)^{q+1}$$

for all i, j as above and the intermediate points ξ_i and η_j .

We omit the details. ■

Remark 3.1. As

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i^{1+\frac{1}{q}} \leq [\nu(h)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i = (b-a) [\nu(h)]^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

and

$$\sum_{j=0}^{m-1} l_j^{1+\frac{1}{q}} \leq [\mu(l)]^{\frac{1}{q}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} l_j = (d-c) [\mu(l)]^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

where

$$\nu(h) = \max \{h_i : i = 0, \dots, n-1\},$$

and

$$\mu(l) = \max \{l_j : j = 0, \dots, m-1\},$$

the right hand side of (3.1) can be bounded by

$$\frac{1}{(q+1)^{\frac{2}{q}}} \|f''_{s,t}\|_p (b-a)(d-c) [\nu(h)\mu(l)]^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

Now, define the sum

$$C_M(f, I_n, J_m) := \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} h_i \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} f\left(\frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2}, t\right) dt \\ + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} l_j \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} f\left(s, \frac{y_j + y_{j+1}}{2}\right) ds - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} h_i l_j f\left(\frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2}, \frac{y_j + y_{j+1}}{2}\right).$$

Then we have the best cubature formula we can get from Theorem 3.1.

Corollary 3.2. *Under the above assumptions we have*

$$\int_a^b \int_c^d f(s, t) ds dt = C_M(f, I_n, J_m) + R(f, I_n, J_m),$$

where the remainder $R(f, I_n, J_m)$ satisfies the estimation:

$$|R(f, I_n, J_m)| \leq \frac{1}{4(q+1)^{\frac{2}{q}}} \|f''_{s,t}\|_p \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} h_i^{1+\frac{1}{q}} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} l_j^{1+\frac{1}{q}}.$$

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