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On Gardner–Hartenstine’s inequality

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Abstract

In the paper, we give a new generalization of Gardner–Hartenstine inequality and establish its integral form. As applications, we combine an important inequality and give some broader improvements.

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1 Introduction

In [1], Gardner and Hartenstine established an interesting inequality. This inequality is crucial in their proof (as it was in [2]).

Theorem A For $x_0, y_0 > 0$ and reals $x_i, y_i, i = 1, \dots, n$, we have

$$\frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + y_i)^2)^{(n-1)/2}}{(x_0 + y_0)^{n-2}} \leq \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)^{(n-1)/2}}{x_0^{n-2}} + \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2)^{(n-1)/2}}{y_0^{n-2}}, \quad (1.1)$$

with equality if and only if either $x_i = y_i = 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ or $x_i = \alpha y_i$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$, and some $\alpha > 0$.

The first aim of this paper is to give a new generalization of the Gardner–Hartenstine inequality (1.1). Our result is given in the following theorem.

Theorem 1.1 For $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $x_{00}, y_{00} > 0$ and reals $x_{ij}, y_{ij}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then

$$\left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r)^{1/r}}{(x_{00} + y_{00})^{1/q}} \right)^p \leq \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{x_{00}^{1/q}} \right)^p + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{y_{00}^{1/q}} \right)^p, \quad (1.2)$$

with equality if and only if either $x_{ij} = y_{ij} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, m$ or $x_{ij} = \alpha y_{ij}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n, j = 0, 1, \dots, m$, and some $\alpha > 0$.

Remark 1.2 Let x_{ij} and y_{ij} change x_i and y_i , respectively, with appropriate transformation, and putting $m = 1, r = 2, p = n - 1$, and $q = (n - 1)/(n - 2)$ in (1.2), (1.2) becomes (1.1).

Another aim of this paper is to give an integral form of (1.2). Our result is given in the following theorem.

Theorem 1.3 For $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $u(x, y), v(x, y) > 0$ and $f(x, y), g(x, y)$ are continuous functions on $[a, b] \times [c, d]$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d (f(x, y) + g(x, y))^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{(u(x, y) + v(x, y))^{1/q}} \right)^p \\ & \leq \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{u(x, y)^{1/q}} \right)^p + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{v(x, y)^{1/q}} \right)^p, \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

with equality if and only if either $(\|f(x, y)\|_r^r, \|g(x, y)\|_r^r) = \alpha(\|u(x, y)\|_r^r, \|v(x, y)\|_r^r)$ for some $\alpha > 0$ or $\|f(x, y)\|_r^r = \|g(x, y)\|_r^r = 0$.

Let $f(x, y)$ and $g(x, y)$ change $f(x)$ and $g(x)$, respectively, with appropriate transformation, and putting $r = 2, p = n - 1$ and $q = (n - 1)/(n - 2)$ in (1.3), (1.3) becomes the following result.

Corollary 1.4 If $u(x), v(x) > 0$ and $f(x), g(x)$ are continuous functions on $[a, b]$, then

$$\frac{(\int_a^b (f(x) + g(x))^2 dx)^{(n-1)/2}}{(u(x) + v(x))^{n-2}} \leq \frac{(\int_a^b f(x)^2 dx)^{(n-1)/2}}{u(x)^{n-2}} + \frac{(\int_a^b g(x)^2 dx)^{(n-1)/2}}{v(x)^{n-2}}, \tag{1.4}$$

with equality if and only if either $\|f(x)\|_r^r = \|g(x)\|_r^r = 0$ or $(\|f(x)\|_r^r, \|g(x)\|_r^r) = \alpha(\|u(x)\|_r^r, \|v(x)\|_r^r)$ for some $\alpha > 0$.

This is just an integral form of (1.1) established by Gardner and Hartenstine [1].

As applications, we combine another important inequality and give some broader improvements. Our results are given in the following theorems.

Theorem 1.5 For $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $x_{00}, y_{00}, a_{00}, b_{00} > 0$ and reals $x_{ij}, y_{ij}, a_{ij}, b_{ij}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n [(x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r + (a_{ij} + b_{ij})^r])^p}{[(x_{00} + y_{00})^r + (a_{00} + b_{00})^r]^{p/q}} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

with equality if and only if either $x_{ij} = y_{ij} = 0$ and $a_{ij} = b_{ij} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 1, \dots, m$ or $x_{ij} = \alpha y_{ij}$ and $a_{ij} = \beta b_{ij}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ and some $\alpha, \beta > 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right) : \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right) \\ & = (x_{00} + y_{00}) : (a_{00} + b_{00}). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.6 For $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $u(x, y), v(x, y), u'(x, y), v'(x, y) > 0$ and $f(x, y), g(x, y), f'(x, y), g'(x, y)$ are continuous functions on $[a, b] \times [c, d]$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d [(f(x, y) + g(x, y))^r + (f'(x, y) + g'(x, y))^r] dx dy)^p}{[(u(x, y) + v(x, y))^r + (u'(x, y) + v'(x, y))^r]^{p/q}} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \end{aligned} \tag{1.6}$$

with equality if and only if either $f(x, y) = g(x, y) = 0$ and $f'(x, y) = g'(x, y) = 0$ or $(f(x, y), g(x, y)) = \alpha(u(x, y), v(x, y))$ and $(f'(x, y), g'(x, y)) = \beta(u'(x, y), v'(x, y))$ and some $\alpha, \beta > 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right) \\ & : \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right) \\ & = (u(x, y) + v(x, y)) : (u'(x, y) + v'(x, y)). \end{aligned}$$

2 Generalizations

Our main results are given in the following theorems.

Theorem 2.1 For $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $x_{00}, y_{00} > 0$ and reals $x_{ij}, y_{ij}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then

$$\left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r)^{1/r}}{(x_{00} + y_{00})^{1/q}} \right)^p \leq \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{x_{00}^{1/q}} \right)^p + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{y_{00}^{1/q}} \right)^p, \tag{2.1}$$

with equality if and only if either $x_{ij} = y_{ij} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, m$ or $x_{ij} = \alpha y_{ij}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n, j = 0, 1, \dots, m$, and some $\alpha > 0$.

Proof From Minkowski’s and Hölder’s inequalities, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r \right)^{1/r} \leq \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r \right)^{1/r} + \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r \right)^{1/r} \\ & = \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{x_{00}^{1/q}} \right) x_{00}^{1/q} + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{y_{00}^{1/q}} \right) y_{00}^{1/q} \\ & \leq \left\{ \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{x_{00}^{1/q}} \right)^p + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{y_{00}^{1/q}} \right)^p \right\}^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times ((x_{00}^{1/q})^q + (y_{00}^{1/q})^q)^{1/q} \\ & = \left\{ \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right\}^{1/p} (x_{00} + y_{00})^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging, (2.1) follows.

The following is a discussion of the conditions for this equal sign to hold. Suppose that equality holds in (2.1). Then equality holds in Minkowski's inequality, which implies that $x_{ij} = \alpha y_{ij}$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 1, \dots, m$ and some $\alpha \geq 0$. Equality also holds in Hölder's inequality, implying that there are constants β and γ with $\beta^2 + \gamma^2 > 0$ such that

$$\beta \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{1/r}}{x_{00}^{1/q}} \right)^p = \gamma (x_{00}^{1/q})^q,$$

or equivalently

$$\beta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r \right)^{p/r} = \gamma x_{00}^p,$$

and the same equation with y_{ij} instead of x_{ij} , $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$; $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma x_{00}^p &= \beta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r \right)^{p/r} \\ &= \beta \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha y_{ij})^r \right)^{p/r} \\ &= \gamma (\alpha y_{00})^p. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, if $\gamma = 0$, then $x_{ij} = y_{ij} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$; $j = 1, \dots, m$. If $\gamma \neq 0$, then $\alpha > 0$ and $x_{ij} = \alpha y_{ij}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$.

This proof is complete. □

Let x_{ij} become x_i with appropriate transformation, and $m = 1$, (2.2) reduces to the following result.

Corollary 2.2 For $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $x_0, y_0 > 0$ and reals $x_i, y_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then

$$\left(\frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + y_i)^r)^{1/r}}{(x_0 + y_0)^{1/q}} \right)^p \leq \left(\frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^r)^{1/r}}{x_0^{1/q}} \right)^p + \left(\frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^r)^{1/r}}{y_0^{1/q}} \right)^p,$$

with equality if and only if either $x_i = y_i = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ or $x_i = \alpha y_i$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$, for some $\alpha > 0$.

Theorem 2.3 For $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $u(x, y), v(x, y) > 0$ and $f(x, y), g(x, y)$ are continuous functions on $[a, b] \times [c, d]$, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d (f(x, y) + g(x, y))^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{(u(x, y) + v(x, y))^{1/q}} \right)^p \\ &\leq \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{u(x, y)^{1/q}} \right)^p + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{v(x, y)^{1/q}} \right)^p, \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

with equality if and only if either $(\|f(x, y)\|_r^r, \|g(x, y)\|_r^r) = \alpha(\|u(x, y)\|_r^r, \|v(x, y)\|_r^r)$ for some $\alpha > 0$ or $\|f(x, y)\|_r^r = \|g(x, y)\|_r^r = 0$.

Proof From Minkowski’s and Hölder’s integral inequalities, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d (f(x,y) + g(x,y))^r dx dy \right)^{1/r} \\
 & \leq \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy \right)^{1/r} + \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x,y)^r dx dy \right)^{1/r} \\
 & = \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{u(x,y)^{1/q}} \right) u(x,y)^{1/q} \\
 & \quad + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{v(x,y)^{1/q}} \right) v(x,y)^{1/q} \\
 & \leq \left\{ \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{u(x,y)^{1/q}} \right)^p \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x,y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{v(x,y)^{1/q}} \right)^p \right\}^{1/p} \\
 & \quad \times \left((u(x,y)^{1/q})^q + (v(x,y)^{1/q})^q \right)^{1/q} \\
 & = \left\{ \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x,y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x,y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x,y)^{p/q}} \right\}^{1/p} \\
 & \quad \times (u(x,y) + v(x,y))^{1/q}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Rearranging, (2.2) follows.

The following is a discussion of the conditions for this equal sign to hold. Suppose that equality holds in (2.2). Then equality holds in Minkowski’s inequality, which implies that $f(x,y) = \alpha g(x,y)$ and some $\alpha \geq 0$. Equality also holds in Hölder’s inequality, implying that there are constants β and γ with $\beta^2 + \gamma^2 > 0$ such that

$$\beta \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy)^{1/r}}{u(x,y)^{1/q}} \right)^p = \gamma (u(x,y)^{1/q})^q,$$

or equivalently

$$\beta \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy \right)^{p/r} = \gamma u(x,y)^p,$$

and the same equation with $g(x,y)$ instead of $f(x,y)$. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma u(x,y)^p &= \beta \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x,y)^r dx dy \right)^{p/r} \\
 &= \beta \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d (\alpha g(x,y))^r dx dy \right)^{p/r} \\
 &= \gamma (\alpha v(x,y))^p.
 \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, if $\gamma = 0$, then $\|f(x,y)\|_r^r = \|g(x,y)\|_r^r = 0$. If $\gamma \neq 0$, then $\alpha > 0$ and $(\|f(x,y)\|_r^r, \|g(x,y)\|_r^r) = \alpha(\|u(x,y)\|_r^r, \|v(x,y)\|_r^r)$.

This proof is complete. □

Let $f(x, y)$ become $f(x)$ with appropriate transformation, (2.2) reduces to the following result.

Corollary 2.4 For $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $u(x), v(x) > 0$ and $f(x), g(x)$ are continuous functions on $[a, b]$, then

$$\left(\frac{(\int_a^b (f(x) + g(x))^r dx)^{1/r}}{(u(x) + v(x))^{1/q}} \right)^p \leq \left(\frac{(\int_a^b f(x)^r dx)^{1/r}}{u(x)^{1/q}} \right)^p + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b g(x)^r dx)^{1/r}}{v(x)^{1/q}} \right)^p, \tag{2.3}$$

with equality if and only if either $\|f(x)\|_r^r = \|g(x)\|_r^r = 0$ or $(\|f(x)\|_r^r, \|g(x)\|_r^r) = \alpha(\|u(x)\|_r^r, \|v(x)\|_r^r)$ for some $\alpha > 0$.

3 Improvements

We need the following lemma to prove our main results.

Lemma 3.1 ([3] p.39) If $a_i \geq 0, b_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, m$, and $\sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i = 1$, then

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^m (a_i + b_i) \right)^{\alpha_i} \geq \left(\prod_{i=1}^m a_i \right)^{\alpha_i} + \left(\prod_{i=1}^m b_i \right)^{\alpha_i}, \tag{3.1}$$

with equality if and only if $a_1/b_1 = \dots = a_m/b_m$.

Theorem 3.2 For $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $x_{00}, y_{00}, a_{00}, b_{00} > 0$ and reals $x_{ij}, y_{ij}, a_{ij}, b_{ij}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n [(x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r + (a_{ij} + b_{ij})^r])^p}{[(x_{00} + y_{00})^r + (a_{00} + b_{00})^r]^{p/q}} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

with equality if and only if either $x_{ij} = y_{ij} = 0$ and $a_{ij} = b_{ij} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 1, \dots, m$ or $x_{ij} = \alpha y_{ij}$ and $a_{ij} = \beta b_{ij}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ and some $\alpha, \beta > 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right) : \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right) \\ & = (x_{00} + y_{00}) : (a_{00} + b_{00}). \end{aligned}$$

Proof From (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r \right)^{1/r} \\ & \leq \left\{ \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right\}^{1/p} (x_{00} + y_{00})^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

with equality if and only if either $x_{ij} = y_{ij} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 1, \dots, m$ or $x_{ij} = \alpha y_{ij}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ and some $\alpha > 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n (a_{ij} + b_{ij})^r \right)^{1/r} \\ & \leq \left\{ \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right\}^{1/p} (a_{00} + b_{00})^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

with equality if and only if either $a_{ij} = b_{ij} = 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 1, \dots, m$ or $a_{ij} = \alpha b_{ij}$ for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$ and some $\alpha > 0$.

From (3.1), (3.3), and (3.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n [(x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r + (a_{ij} + b_{ij})^r] \\ & \leq \left\{ \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \right\}^{1/p} ((x_{00} + y_{00})^r)^{1/q} \\ & \quad + \left\{ \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \right\}^{1/p} ((a_{00} + b_{00})^r)^{1/q} \\ & \leq \left\{ \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \right\}^{1/p} [(x_{00} + y_{00})^r + (a_{00} + b_{00})^r]^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n [(x_{ij} + y_{ij})^r + (a_{ij} + b_{ij})^r])^p}{[(x_{00} + y_{00})^r + (a_{00} + b_{00})^r]^{p/q}} & \leq \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{x_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n y_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{y_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{a_{00}^{p/q}} + \frac{(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ij}^r)^{p/r}}{b_{00}^{p/q}} \right)^r. \end{aligned}$$

From the equality conditions of (3.3), (3.4), and (3.1), we easily get the equality in (3.2). □

Remark 3.3 Let $a_{ij} = b_{ij} = 0$, (3.2) becomes a similar form of (2.1). Putting $x_{ij} = a_{ij}$, $y_{ij} = b_{ij}$ in (3.2), where $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and $j = 0, 1, \dots, m$, (3.2) reduces to (2.1).

Theorem 3.4 For $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $r > 1$. If $u(x, y), v(x, y), u'(x, y), v'(x, y) > 0$ and $f(x, y), g(x, y), f'(x, y), g'(x, y)$ are continuous functions on $[a, b] \times [c, d]$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d [(f(x, y) + g(x, y))^r + (f'(x, y) + g'(x, y))^r] dx dy)^p}{[(u(x, y) + v(x, y))^r + (u'(x, y) + v'(x, y))^r]^{p/q}} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

with equality if and only if either $f(x, y) = g(x, y) = 0$ and $f'(x, y) = g'(x, y) = 0$ or $(f(x, y), g(x, y)) = \alpha(u(x, y), v(x, y))$ and $(f'(x, y), g'(x, y)) = \beta(u'(x, y), v'(x, y))$ and some $\alpha, \beta > 0$, and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right) \\ & : \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right) \\ & = (u(x, y) + v(x, y)) : (u'(x, y) + v'(x, y)). \end{aligned}$$

Proof From (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d (f(x, y) + g(x, y))^r dx dy \right)^{1/r} \\ & \leq \left\{ \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right\}^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times (u(x, y) + v(x, y))^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

with equality if and only if either $f(x, y) = g(x, y) = 0$ or $(f(x, y), g(x, y)) = \alpha(u(x, y), v(x, y))$ for some $\alpha > 0$. And

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\int_a^b \int_c^d (f'(x, y) + g'(x, y))^r dx dy \right)^{1/r} \\ & \leq \left\{ \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right\}^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times (u'(x, y) + v'(x, y))^{1/q}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

with equality if and only if either $f'(x, y) = g'(x, y) = 0$ or $(f'(x, y), g'(x, y)) = \beta(u'(x, y), v'(x, y))$ and for some $\beta > 0$,

From (3.1), (3.6), and (3.7), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \int_c^d [(f(x, y) + g(x, y))^r + (f'(x, y) + g'(x, y))^r] dx dy \\ & \leq \left\{ \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \right\}^{1/p} ((u(x, y) + v(x, y))^r)^{1/q} \\ & \quad + \left\{ \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \right\}^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times ((u'(x, y) + v'(x, y))^r)^{1/q} \\ & \leq \left\{ \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \right\}^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times [(u(x, y) + v(x, y))^r + (u'(x, y) + v'(x, y))^r]^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d [(f(x, y) + g(x, y))^r + (f'(x, y) + g'(x, y))^r] dx dy)^p}{[(u(x, y) + v(x, y))^r + (u'(x, y) + v'(x, y))^r]^{p/q}} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d f'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{u'(x, y)^{p/q}} + \frac{(\int_a^b \int_c^d g'(x, y)^r dx dy)^{p/r}}{v'(x, y)^{p/q}} \right)^r. \end{aligned}$$

From the equality conditions of (3.6), (3.7), and (3.1), we easily get the equality in (3.2). \square

Remark 3.5 Let $f'(x, y) = g'(x, y) = 0$, (3.3) becomes a similar form of (2.2). Putting $f(x, y) = f'(x, y)$, $g(x, y) = g'(x, y)$, $u(x, y) = u'(x, y)$ and $v(x, y) = v'(x, y)$ in (3.5), (3.5) reduces to (2.2).

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