

## SOME $(p, q)$ -INTEGRAL INEQUALITIES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we obtain a  $(p, q)$ -analogue of an open problem represented by Q. A. Ngô et al. in the paper, *Notes on an integral inequality*, J. Inequal. Pure and Appl. Math., 7(4) (2006), Art. 120, by using analytic and elementary methods in  $(p, q)$ -calculus.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In [19], Q. A. Ngô et al. proposed the following problem:

**Problem 1.1.** Let  $f(t)$  be a continuous function on  $[0, 1]$  satisfying

$$\int_x^1 f(t)dt \geq \int_x^1 tdt, \quad \forall x \in [0, 1].$$

Under what conditions does the inequality

$$\int_0^1 f^{\alpha+\beta}(t)dt \geq \int_0^1 t^\alpha f^\beta(t)dt$$

hold for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ ?

In view of the interest of this type of inequality, a series of papers obtaining various extensions and generalizations was studied in the literature [3], [4], [13], [14], [17]. In [5], authors studied a  $q$ -analogue of Ngô's problem by using analytic and elementary methods in quantum calculus.

$(p, q)$ -calculus, a generalization of  $q$ -calculus, is known as two parameter quantum calculus ( $p$  and  $q$  numbers) which are independent. It was first introduced by R. Chakrabarti and R. Jagannathan [8] in 1991. The applications of  $(p, q)$ -calculus play important roles in physical and mathematical sciences, see [1], [6], [7], [9], [11], [12]. Moreover, a lot of literature about  $(p, q)$ -calculus and  $(p, q)$ -integral inequalities was studied by many authors, see [2], [10], [15], [16], [18], [20], [21], [23], [24], [25], [26] and the references cited therein.

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In this position, this paper will focus on obtaining some new integral inequalities in  $(p, q)$ -calculus. This paper begins by definitions and facts in  $(p, q)$ -calculus. It will then go on to give our main results.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

From now on, we will let  $p, q$  be two constants which satisfy  $0 < q < p \leq 1$ . For the convenience of the reader, we repeat some notation and definitions from  $(p, q)$ -calculus. For more details, we refer the reader to [22].

**Definition 2.1.** The  $(p, q)$ -derivative of the function  $f$  is defined as

$$D_{p,q}f(x) = \frac{f(px) - f(qx)}{(p-q)x}, \quad x \neq 0,$$

and  $(D_{p,q}f)(0) = f'(0)$ , provided that  $f$  is differentiable at 0.

**Definition 2.2.**  $(p, q)$ -analogue is defined as

$$[n]_{p,q} = \frac{p^n - q^n}{p - q}, \text{ for any number } n.$$

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $f$  be an arbitrary function and  $a$  be a real number, we define the definite  $(p, q)$ -integral as

$$\int_0^a f(x) d_{p,q}x = (p-q)a \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^k}{p^{k+1}} f\left(\frac{q^k}{p^{k+1}}a\right), \quad \text{if } \left|\frac{p}{q}\right| > 1.$$

Let  $f$  be an arbitrary function and  $a$  and  $b$  be two non-negative numbers such that  $a < b$ , then we have

$$\int_a^b f(x) d_{p,q}x = \int_0^b f(x) d_{p,q}x - \int_0^a f(x) d_{p,q}x.$$

For any function  $f$ , we have

$$D_{p,q} \left( \int_a^x f(x) d_{p,q}x \right) = f(x).$$

If  $F(x)$  is a  $(p, q)$ -antiderivative of  $f(x)$  and  $F(x)$  is continuous at  $x = 0$ , we have

$$\int_a^b f(x) d_{p,q}x = F(b) - F(a),$$

where  $0 \leq a < b \leq \infty$ .

The formula of  $(p, q)$ -integration by part is given by

$$\int_a^b f(px)(D_{p,q}g(x))d_{p,q}x = f(b)g(b) - f(a)g(a) - \int_a^b g(qx)(D_{p,q}f(x))d_{p,q}x.$$

Finally, we denote

$$[0, 1]_{p,q} = \left\{ \frac{q^k}{p^k} : k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \infty \right\}.$$

We note that in the case of  $p = 1$ , above definitions and notation are reduced to the definitions and notation in  $q$ -calculus.

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

First, we give following inequality:

**Lemma 3.1 (General Cauchy Inequality).** *Let  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  be positive real numbers satisfying  $\alpha + \beta = 1$ . Then for every positive real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ , we always have*

$$\alpha x + \beta y \geq x^\alpha y^\beta.$$

The following lemma is necessary for obtaining our main results.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $f$  be a non-negative function defined on  $[0, 1]_{p,q}$  satisfying*

$$\int_{px}^1 f^\beta(t) d_{p,q}t \geq \int_{px}^1 t^\beta d_{p,q}t, \text{ for every } x \in [0, 1]_{p,q}. \quad (3.1)$$

Then we have

$$\int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x \geq \frac{1}{[\alpha + \beta + 1]_{p,q}}, \quad (3.2)$$

for all positive real numbers  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta > 0$ .

*Proof.* By using  $(p, q)$ -integration by parts, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} \left( \int_{px}^1 f^\beta(t) d_{p,q}t \right) d_{p,q}x &= \frac{1}{[\alpha]_{p,q}} \left[ x^\alpha \left( \int_x^1 f^\beta(t) d_{p,q}t \right) \right]_{x=0}^1 \\ &\quad + \frac{q^\alpha}{[\alpha]_{p,q}} \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x \\ &= \frac{q^\alpha}{[\alpha]_{p,q}} \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x, \end{aligned}$$

which yields

$$\int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x = \frac{[\alpha]_{p,q}}{q^\alpha} \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} \left( \int_{px}^1 f^\beta(t) d_{p,q}t \right) d_{p,q}x. \quad (3.3)$$

On the other hand, by condition (3.1), we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} \left( \int_{px}^1 f^\beta(t) d_{p,q}t \right) d_{p,q}x &\geq \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} \left( \int_{px}^1 t^\beta d_{p,q}t \right) d_{p,q}x \\ &= \frac{1}{[\beta+1]_{p,q}} \int_0^1 x^{\alpha-1} (1 - p^{\beta+1} x^{\beta+1}) d_{p,q}x \\ &= \frac{1}{[\beta+1]_{p,q}} \int_0^1 (x^{\alpha-1} - p^{\beta+1} x^{\alpha+\beta}) d_{p,q}x \\ &= \frac{1}{[\beta+1]_{p,q}} \left[ \frac{1}{[\alpha]_{p,q}} - \frac{p^{\beta+1}}{[\alpha+\beta+1]_{p,q}} \right] \\ &= \frac{q^\alpha}{[\alpha+\beta+1]_{p,q} [\alpha]_{p,q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by (3.3), we conclude that

$$\int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x \geq \frac{1}{[\alpha+\beta+1]_{p,q}}.$$

□

**Theorem 3.1.** *Under the assumptions of Lemma 3.2, we have*

$$\int_0^1 f^{\alpha+\beta}(x) d_{p,q}x \geq \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x,$$

for all positive real numbers  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta > 0$ .

*Proof.* Using Lemma 3.1, we obtain

$$\frac{\beta}{\alpha+\beta} f^{\alpha+\beta}(x) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta} x^{\alpha+\beta} \geq x^\alpha f^\beta(x), \quad (3.4)$$

then, by  $(p, q)$ -integrating, we obtain

$$\beta \int_0^1 f^{\alpha+\beta}(x) d_{p,q}x + \alpha \int_0^1 x^{\alpha+\beta} d_{p,q}x \geq (\alpha+\beta) \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x. \quad (3.5)$$

Moreover, by using Lemma 3.2, we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha + \beta) \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x &= \alpha \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x + \beta \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x \\ &\geq \frac{\alpha}{[\alpha + \beta + 1]_{p,q}} + \beta \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by (3.5), we have

$$\beta \int_0^1 f^{\alpha+\beta}(x) d_{p,q}x + \frac{\alpha}{[\alpha + \beta + 1]_{p,q}} \geq \frac{\alpha}{[\alpha + \beta + 1]_{p,q}} + \beta \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x,$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.1.** Let  $f$  be a non-negative function defined on  $[0, 1]_{p,q}$  satisfying

$$\int_{px}^1 f^\beta(t) d_{p,q}t \geq \int_{px}^1 t^\beta d_{p,q}t, \text{ for every } x \in [0, 1]_{p,q}. \quad (3.6)$$

Then we have

$$\int_0^1 f^{\alpha+1}(x) d_{p,q}x \geq \int_0^1 x^\alpha f(x) d_{p,q}x,$$

for every positive real number  $\alpha > 0$ .

*Proof.* It suffices to take  $\beta = 1$  in Theorem 3.1 and the rest of the proof runs as before.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $f$  be a non-negative function defined on  $[0, 1]_{p,q}$  satisfying

$$\int_{px}^1 f(t) d_{p,q}t \geq \int_{px}^1 t d_{p,q}t, \text{ for every } x \in [0, 1]_{p,q}. \quad (3.7)$$

Then we have

$$\int_0^1 f^{\alpha+1}(x) d_{p,q}x \geq \int_0^1 x f^\alpha(x) d_{p,q}x,$$

for every positive real number  $\alpha > 0$ .

*Proof.* We have for every  $x \in [0, 1]_{p,q}$ ,

$$(f^\alpha(x) - x^\alpha)(f(x) - x) \geq 0,$$

and so we obtain

$$f^{\alpha+1}(x) + x^{\alpha+1} \geq x^\alpha f(x) + x f^\alpha(x).$$

By  $(p, q)$ -integrating with some simple calculations, we obtain that

$$\int_0^1 f^{\alpha+1}(x) d_{p,q}x + \frac{1}{[\alpha+2]_{p,q}} \geq \int_0^1 x^\alpha f(x) d_{p,q}x + \int_0^1 x f^\alpha(x) d_{p,q}x.$$

Then, from Lemma 3.2 for  $\beta = 1$ , we obtain

$$\int_0^1 f^{\alpha+1}(x) d_{p,q}x + \frac{1}{[\alpha+2]_{p,q}} \geq \frac{1}{[\alpha+2]_{p,q}} + \int_0^1 x f^\alpha(x) d_{p,q}x,$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $f$  be a non-negative function defined on  $[0, 1]_{p,q}$  satisfying*

$$\int_{px}^1 f^\beta(t) d_{p,q}t \geq \int_{px}^1 t^\beta d_{p,q}t, \text{ for every } x \in [0, 1]_{p,q}. \quad (3.8)$$

*Then we have*

$$\int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x \geq \frac{1}{[\alpha+\beta+1]_{p,q}},$$

*for all real numbers  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Using Lemma 3.1, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\beta} f^\beta(x) + \frac{\beta-1}{\beta} x^\beta \geq x^{\beta-1} f(x),$$

by multiplying  $x^\alpha$  and  $(p, q)$ -integrating, we get

$$\int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x + (\beta-1) \int_0^1 x^{\alpha+\beta} d_{p,q}x \geq \beta \int_0^1 x^{\alpha+\beta-1} f(x) d_{p,q}x.$$

Therefore, from Lemma 3.2, it follows that

$$\int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x + \frac{\beta-1}{[\alpha+\beta+1]_{p,q}} \geq \frac{\beta}{[\alpha+\beta+1]_{p,q}}.$$

Thus, the lemma is proved.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Under the conditions of Lemma 3.3, we have*

$$\int_0^1 f^{\alpha+\beta}(x) d_{p,q}x \geq \int_0^1 x^\alpha f^\beta(x) d_{p,q}x,$$

*for all real numbers  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* By using Lemma 3.1, we obtain

$$\frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} f^{\alpha + \beta}(x) + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} x^{\alpha + \beta} \geq x^{\alpha} f^{\beta}(x),$$

which implies that

$$\beta \int_0^1 f^{\alpha + \beta}(x) d_{p,q}x + \frac{\alpha}{[\alpha + \beta + 1]_{p,q}} \geq (\alpha + \beta) \int_0^1 x^{\alpha} f^{\beta}(x) d_{p,q}x.$$

Then, from Lemma 3.3, it may be concluded that

$$\beta \int_0^1 f^{\alpha + \beta}(x) d_{p,q}x + \frac{\alpha}{[\alpha + \beta + 1]_{p,q}} \geq \frac{\alpha}{[\alpha + \beta + 1]_{p,q}} + \beta \int_0^1 x^{\alpha} f^{\beta}(x) d_{p,q}x,$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

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