

Refinement of Hardy's Inequalities on Time Scales via Super-Quadratic and Sub-Quadratic Functions

Aribike Emmanuella Ehui

Department of Mathematics & Statistics, Lagos State Polytechnic, Ikorodu.

Abstract

This paper deals with a time scale on a new refined weighted Hardy in-equality for $p > 2$ and provides the prove back to discussions. Some refinements of classical inequalities on time scales are obtained using properties of super-quadratic and sub-quadratic function.

Keywords: Hardy's inequalities, Time scales; super-quadratic functions, sub-quadratic functions

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Time Scale Calculus

The calculus of time scales was initiated by Stefan Hilger in [1] in order to create a theory that can unify discrete and continuous analysis. We first briefly introduce the time scales calculus and refer the interested reader elsewhere for more details [2,3,4,5,6]

A time scale (which is a special case of a measure chain) is an arbitrary non-empty closed subset of the real numbers throughout this paper, we will denote a time scale by the T . We will also, assume throughout that a time scale T has a topology that it inherits from the real numbers with the standard topology. The two most popular examples of time scales are the real number \mathbb{R} and the discrete time scale \mathbb{Z} . Let us start by defining the forward and backward jump operators.

Definition 1.2 Let T be a time scale for $t \in T$ we define the forward jump operator by

$$\sigma : T \rightarrow T$$

$$\sigma(t) = \inf \{s \in T : s > t\},$$

while the backward jump operator $\rho : T \rightarrow T$ is defined by

$$\rho(t) = \sup \{s \in T : s < t\};$$

In this definition we put $\inf \emptyset = \sup T$ ($i.e.;$ $\sigma(t) = t$ if T has a maximum t) and $\sup \emptyset = \inf T$ ($i.e.;$ $\rho(t) = t$ if T has a minimum t), where \emptyset denotes the empty set. if $\sigma(t) > t$, we say that it is right-scattered, while if $\rho(t) < t$ we say that t is left-scattered. Points that are right-scattered and left-scattered at the same time are called isolated.

Also, if $t < \sup T$ and $\sigma(t) = t$, then t is called right-dense, and if $t > \inf T$ and $\rho(t) = t$, then t is called left-dense. Points that are right-dense and left-dense at the same time are called dense. Finally, the graininess function $\mu : T \rightarrow [0; \infty]$ is defined by

$$\mu(t) = \sigma(t) - t$$

We also need below the set T^K which is derived from the time scale T as follows: if T has a left-scattered maximum m , then $T^K = T - (m)$. Otherwise, $T^K = T$. In summary,

$$T^K = \begin{cases} T / (\rho(\sup T), \sup T) & \text{if } \sup T < \infty \\ T & \text{if } \sup T = \infty \end{cases}$$

Finally, if $f : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function, then we define the function $f^\sigma : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f^\sigma(t) = f(\sigma(t)) \text{ for all } t \in T;$$

i.e., $f^\sigma = f \circ \sigma$

Consider a function $f : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and define the so-called delta (or Hilger) derivative of f at a point $t \in T^K$.

Definition 1.3: Assume $f : T \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function and let $t \in T^K$. Then we define $f^\Delta(t)$ to be the number (provided it exists) with the property that given any $\epsilon > 0$, there is a neighborhood U of t (*i.e.*, $U = (t - \delta, t + \delta) \cap T$ for more $\delta > 0$) such that $\{f(\sigma(t)) - f(s)\} f^\Delta(t)[\sigma(t)s] \leq \epsilon \sigma(t) - s$ for all $s \in U$.

We call $f^\Delta(t)$ the delta (or Hilger) derivative of f at t .

Moreover, we say that f is delta (or Hilger) differentiable on T^K provided $f^\Delta(t)$ exists for all $t \in T^K$. The function $f^\Delta : T^K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is then called the (delta) derivative of f on T^K

Corresponding author: Aribike Emmanuella Ehui, E-mail: aribike.ella@yahoo.com., Tel.: +2348034012186

Theorem 1.4 Assume $f: T \rightarrow R$ is a function and let $t \in T^K$. Then we have the following.

- (i) If f is differentiable at t , then f is continuous at t .
- (ii) If f is continuous at t and t is right-scattered, then f is differentiable at t with:

$$f^\Delta(t) = \frac{f(\sigma(t)) - f(t)}{\mu(t)}$$

- (iii) If t is right-dense, then f is differentiable at t iff the limit.

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow t} \frac{f(t) - f(s)}{t - s}$$

exists as a finite number. in this case

$$f^\Delta(t) \lim_{s \rightarrow t} \frac{f(t) - f(s)}{t - s}$$

- (iv) If f is differentiable at t , then;

$$f(\sigma(t)) = f(t) + \mu(t)f^\Delta(t).$$

Definition 1.5

A function $f: T \rightarrow R$ is called rd-continuous provided it is continuous at right-dense points in T and its left-sided limits exist (finite) at left-dense points in T . The set of rd-continuous functions $f: T \rightarrow R$ will be denoted here by:

$$C_{rd} = C_{rd}(T) = C_{rd}(T, R)$$

The set of functions $f: T \rightarrow R$ that are differentiable and whose derivative is rd-continuous is denoted by:

$$C_{rd}^1 = C_{rd}^1(T) = C_{rd}^1(T, R)$$

Theorem 1.6 (Existence of Pre-Antiderivatives). Let f be regulated. Then there exists a function F which is pre-differentiable with region of differentiation D such that

$$F^\Delta(t) = f(t) \text{ holds for all } t \in D$$

Definition 1.7 Assume $f: T \rightarrow R$ is a regulated function. Any function F as in theorem 1.60 ([5], Chap.1) is called a pre-antiderivative of f . We define the indefinite integral of a regulated function f by:

$$\int f(t)\Delta t = F(t) + C,$$

Where C is an arbitrary constant and F is a pre-antiderivative of f . We define the Cauchy integral by:

$$\int_r^s f(t)\Delta t = F(s) - F(r) \text{ for all } r, s \in T.$$

A function $F: T \rightarrow R$ is called an antiderivative of $f: T \rightarrow R$ provided

$$F^\Delta(t) = f(t) \text{ holds for all } t, \in T^K$$

Theorem 1.71: (Existence of Anti-derivatives). Every rd-continuous function has an antiderivative. In particular if $t_0 \in T$, then F defined by

$$F(t) := \int_{t_0}^t f(T)\Delta T \text{ for } t \in T$$

is an antiderivative of f .

Theorem 1.72: If $f \in C_{rd}$ and $t \in T^K$, then

$$\int_t^{\sigma(t)} f(T)\Delta T = \mu(t)f(t).$$

Theorem 1.73: if $f^\Delta \geq 0$ then f is non decreasing

Theorem 1.74: if $a, b, c, \in T$, $\sigma \in R$, and $f, g \in C_{rd}$, then

- (i) $\int_a^b [f(t) + g(t)]\Delta t = \int_a^b f(t)\Delta t + \int_a^b g(t)\Delta t;$
- (ii) $\int_a^b (\sigma f)(t)\Delta t = \sigma \int_a^b f(t)\Delta t$
- (iii) $\int_a^b f(t)\Delta t = - \int_a^b f(t)\Delta t;$
- (iv) $\int_a^b f(t)\Delta t = \int_a^c f(t)\Delta t + \int_c^b f(t)\Delta t;$
- (v) $\int_a^b f(\sigma(t))g^\Delta(t)\Delta t = (fg)(b) - (fg)(a) - \int_a^b f^\Delta(t)g(t)\Delta t;$
- (vi) $\int_a^a f(t)g^\Delta(t)\Delta t = (fg)(b) - (fg)(a) - \int_a^b f^\Delta(t)g(\sigma(t))\Delta t;$
- (vii) $\int_a^a f(t)\Delta t = 0$

2.0 Time Scale Inequalities of Superquadratic and Subquadratic Function

The concept of superquadratic functions in one variable, as a generalization of the class of convex functions, was recently introduced by Abramovich et al in [7,8]. Examples and properties of superquadratic functions can be found elsewhere [9,10,11].

Definition 2.1 A function $[\varphi: (0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ is superquadratic provided that for all $x > 0$ the exists a constant $C(x) \in R$ such that

$$\varphi(y) - \varphi(x) - \varphi(y - x) \geq C(x)(y - x)$$

for all $y \geq 0$. We say that φ is subquadratic is $-\varphi$ is a superquadratic function.

For example, function $\varphi(x) = x^p$ is superquadratic for $p \geq 2$ and subquadratic for $p \in [0; 2]$.

The following Lemma shows that positive superquadratic functions are also functions.

Lemma 2.1: Let φ be a superquadratic function with $C(x)$ as in Definition above, then.

- (i) $\varphi(0) \leq 0$
- (ii) if $\varphi(0) = \varphi(0) = 0$, then $C(x) = \varphi(x)$ where φ is differentiable at $x > 0$.
- (iii) if $\varphi \geq 0$, then φ is convex and $\varphi(0) = \varphi(0) = 0$

Theorem 2.1 (Fubini's theorem on time scales).

If $f: \Omega \times \Delta \rightarrow R$ is a $\mu_\Delta \times \lambda_\Delta$ - integrable function and if we define the function $\varphi(y) = \int_\Omega f(x, y) \Delta_x$ for $a.e$ $y \in \Delta$ and $\varphi(x) = \int_\Delta f(x, y) \Delta_y$ for $a.e$ $x \in \Omega$, the φ is λ_Δ - integrable on Δ , φ is μ_Δ - integrable on Ω and

$$\int_\Omega \Delta_x \int_\Delta f(x, y) \Delta_y = \int_\Delta \Delta_y \int_\Omega f(x, y) \Delta_x$$

holds.

Bibi et al [12] established the Fubini's theorem on the time scales while, Baric et al [13] obtained a refined Jensen's inequality on time scales for superquadratic functions.

We state the refinement of Jensen's inequality in [14], which is useful in proofs of our results.

Lemma 2.2 Let (Ω, μ) be a probability measure space [15]. The inequality

$$\varphi\left\{\int_\Omega f(s) d\mu(s)\right\} \leq \int_\Omega \varphi(f(s)) d\mu(s) - \int_\Omega \varphi(f(s)) - \int_\Omega (f(s)) d\mu(s) d\mu(s)$$

hold for all probability measures μ and all nonnegative μ -integrable functions f if and only if φ is superquadratic (2.2) holds in the reversed direction if and only if φ is subquadratic.

Presenting, Jensen's inequality on time scales for superquadratic functions.

Theorem 2.2: Let $a, b, \epsilon \in T$. Suppose $f: [a, b]_T^K \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is rd-continuous and $\varphi: [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ is continuous and superquadratic. Then:

$$\varphi\left(\frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right) \leq \frac{1}{b - a} \int_a^b \left[\varphi(f(s)) - \varphi\left(\frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right)\right] \Delta s$$

Proof of Theorem 2.2 Let $\varphi: [0, \infty) \rightarrow R$ be a superdratic function and let $x_0 \in [0, \infty)$. According to (2.1), there is a constant $C(x_0)$ such that;

$$\varphi(y) \leq \varphi(x_0) + C(x_0)(y - x_0) + \varphi(y - x_0)$$

since f is rd-continuous.

$$x_0 = \frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}$$

is well define. The function $\varphi \circ f$ is also rd-continuous, so we may apply (4) with $y = f(s)$ and (2.4) to obtain

$$\varphi(f(s)) \geq \varphi\left(\frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right) + C(x_0) \left(f(s) - \frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right) + \varphi\left(f(s) - \frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right)$$

Integrating above equation from a to b , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^b \left[\varphi(f(s)) - \varphi\left(f(s) - \frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right)\right] \Delta s - (b - a) \varphi\left(\frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right) \\ &= \int_a^b \varphi(f(s)) \Delta s - \int_a^b \varphi\left(f(s) - \frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right) \Delta s - \int_a^b \varphi\left(\frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right) \Delta s \\ & \geq C(x_0) \int_a^b \left[f(s) - \frac{\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t}{b - a}\right] \Delta s \\ &= C(x_0) \int_a^b f(s) \Delta s - (b - a) \cdot x_0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.3 Suppose $u \in Crd(a, b, R)$ is a nonnegative function such that the delta integral $\int_a^b \frac{u(x)}{(x-a)(\sigma(x)-a)} \Delta x$ exists as a finite number, and the function v is defined by

$$v(t) = (t - a) \int_t^b \frac{u(x)}{(x - a)(\sigma(x) - a)} \Delta x, t \in (a, b)$$

If $\Phi : (c; d) \rightarrow R$ is continuous and convex, where $c, d \in R$, the the inequality

$$\int_a^b u(x) \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t \right) \frac{\Delta x}{x - a} \leq \int_a^b v(x) \Phi(f(x)) \frac{\Delta x}{x - a}$$

holds for all delta integrable functions $f \in C_{rd}([a; b, R])$ such that $f(x) \in (c; d)$.

Proof. Let $f : [a, b) \rightarrow R$ is rd-continuous function with values in $(c; d)$. Applying Jensen's inequality [14] and Fubini's Theorem [2.1] on time scales, we obtain.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b u(x) \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t \right) \frac{\Delta x}{x - a} &\leq \int_a^b u(x) \left(\int_a^{\sigma(x)} \Phi(f(t)) \Delta t \right) \frac{\Delta x}{(x - a)(\sigma(x) - a)} \\ &= \int_a^b \Phi(f(t)) \int_t^b \frac{u(x)}{(x - a)(\sigma(x) - a)} \Delta x \Delta t = \int_a^b v(t) \Phi(f(t)) \frac{\Delta t}{t - a} \end{aligned}$$

and the proof is complete.

Corollary 2.4 Let the assumptions of Theorem 2.3 be satisfied

(a) If Φ is superquadratic and $a < b < \infty$, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_a^b \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t \right) \frac{\Delta x}{x - a} \\ &+ \int_a^b \int_r^b \left(\Phi(f(t)) - \frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t \right) \frac{\Delta x}{(x - a)(\sigma(x) - a)} \Delta t \\ &\leq \int_a^b \left(1 - \frac{x - a}{b - a} \right) \Phi(f(x)) \frac{\Delta x}{x - a} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_a^\infty \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t \right) \frac{\Delta x}{x - a} \\ &= \int_a^\infty \int_t^\infty \left(\Phi(f(t)) - \frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t \right) \frac{\Delta x}{(x - a)(\sigma(x) - a)} \Delta t \\ &\leq \int_a^\infty \left(\Phi(f(x)) - \frac{\Delta x}{x - a} \right) \end{aligned}$$

(b) The inequalities (2.7) and (2.8) hold in the reversed direction if Φ is sub-quadratic.

Example 2.5. By taking $T = R$ and $a = 0$ in Corollary 2.4, inequalities (2.7) and (2.8) read:

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^b \Phi \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(t) dt \right) \frac{dx}{x} + \int_0^b \int_t^b \left(\Phi(f(t)) - \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(t) dt \right) \frac{dx}{x^2} dt \\ &\leq \int_0^b \left(1 - \frac{x}{b} \right) \Phi(f(x)) \frac{dx}{x}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^\infty \Phi \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(t) dt \right) \frac{dx}{x} + \int_0^\infty \int_t^\infty \left(\Phi(f(t)) - \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x f(t) dt \right) \frac{dx}{x^2} dt \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty \Phi(f(x)) \frac{dx}{x} \end{aligned}$$

Respectively.

Remark 2.6. The inequalities (2.9) and (3.0) coincide with Proposition 2.1 from [17], written for case $u(x) = 1$.

By using the well-known fact that the function $\Phi(u) = u^p$ is superquadratic for $p \geq 2$ and subquadratic for $1 < p \leq 2$ we obtain the following:

Example 2.7: Assume that $\Phi(u) = u^p$ and $\int_a^b f^p(x) \frac{\Delta x}{x-a} < \infty$. Then inequalities (2.6) and (2.7) read:

$$\int_a^b \left(\frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t \right)^p \frac{\Delta x}{x - a}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_a^b \int_t^b f(t) - \frac{1}{\sigma(x) - a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t p \frac{\Delta x}{(x-a)(\sigma(x)-a)} \Delta t \\
&\leq \int_a^b \left(1 - \frac{x-a}{b-a}\right) f/p(x) \frac{\Delta x}{x-a} \\
&\quad \text{for } a < b < \infty \text{ and} \\
&\quad \int_a^\infty \left(\frac{1}{\sigma(x)-a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t\right) p \frac{\Delta x}{x-a} \\
&= \int_a^\infty \int_t^\infty f(t) - \frac{1}{\sigma(x)-a} \int_a^{\sigma(x)} f(t) \Delta t P \frac{\Delta x}{(x-a)(\sigma(x)-a)} \Delta t \\
&\leq \int_a^\infty \left(1 - \frac{x-a}{b-a}\right) fp(x) \frac{\Delta x}{x-a}
\end{aligned}$$

respectively. Moreover, if $1 < p \leq 2$; the the inequalities (3.1) and (3.2) hold in the reversed direction.

Remark 2.9. The natural "breaking point" (the point where the inequality reverses) in Hardy type inequalities is usually $p = 1$. However, here we see that for our refined Hardy type inequality the natural breaking point is $p = 2$ and even more remarkable for $p = 2$ we have a new identity even in the case with time scales.

3.0 References

- [1] S. Hilger, Ein Mäkeltenkalkut mit Anwendung aud Zentrumsmanigfaltikeiten, PhD thesis, Universitat Wurzburg, 1988.
- [2] R.P. Agarwal, M. Bohner and A. Peterson, Inequalities on time scale: a survey. *Math.Inequal. Appl.* 4(2001), No.4, 535-557.
- [3] S. Hilger, Analysis on measure chain a unifed approach to continuous and discrete calculus *Results Math.*18 (1990), No. 1-2, 18-56.
- [4] S. Hilger, Differential and difference calculus- unifed!. *Nonlinear Anal.*30 (1997), No. 1. 143-163.
- [5] M. Bohner and A. Peterson (eds) *Advances in Dynamic Equations on Time Scales* Birkhauser Boston, Massachusetts, 2003.
- [6] B. Kaymakcalan, V. Lakshmikantham and S. Sivassundaram, *Dynamics systems on measure chains. Mathematics and its Applications*, 370, Kluwer Academic Publishers Group, Dordrecht, 1996.
- [7] S. Abramovich, G. Jameson, G. Sinnamon, Refining of Jensen's inequality, *Bull, Math. Soc. Sci. Math. Romanie (N.S.)* 47 (95) (2004) no.1 and 2, 3- 14.
- [8] S. Abramovich, G, James on and G. Sinnamon, Inequalities for averages of convex and superquadratic functions. *J. Inequal. Pure and Appl. Math.* 5 (2004), No.4, Article 91, p.14.
- [9] S.Abramovich, S. Banic, M. Matic and J. Pecanic, Jensen-Steffensen's and related inequalities for superquadratic functions. *Math. Inequal. Appl.* 11 (2008), No.1, 23-41
- [10] S. Banic, *Superquadratic functions. PhD. Thesis, Zagreb, (Crotian), 2007.*

- [11] S. Banic, J. Pecanic and S. Varosanec, Superquadratic functions and refinements of some classical inequalities. *J. Korean Math. Soc.* 45 (2008),No2, 513-525.
- [12] R. Bibi, M. Bohner, J. Pecaric and S. Varosanec, Minkowski and Beckenbach -Dresher inequalities and functionals on time scales, *J, Math. Ineq.*7 (2013), no. 3, 299-312
- [13] J. Baric, R. Bibi, M. Bohner and J. Pecaric, Time scales integral inequalities for superquadratic functions, *J. Jorean Math. Soc.* 50 (2013), 465-477.
- [14] S. Abrahamoch, G. Jameson and G. Sinnamon, Refining of Jensen's inequality, *Bull. Math Soc. Sci. Math.Rounmanie (N.S.)* 47 (95) (2004), no. 1-2,3-14. (15) M. Bohner and G. Sh. Guseinov, Multiple integration on time scales. *Dynam. Syst, Appt* 14(3-4)(2005), pp579-606.
- [15] J.A. Oguntuase and L.E. Persson, Time Scales Hardy-Type Inequalities via Superquadraticity, *J. Ann. Funct. Anal.* 5(2011), no.2, 61 – 73
- [16] J.A. Oguntuase and L.E. Persson. Refinement of Hardy's inequalities via superquadratic and subquadratic functions, *J.Math. Anal. Appl.* 339 (2008), 1305-1312