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## NORM ESTIMATES FOR THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BOCHNER'S INTEGRAL AND THE CONVEX COMBINATION OF FUNCTION'S VALUES

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**ABSTRACT.** Norm estimates are developed between the Bochner integral of a vector-valued function in Banach spaces having the Radon-Nikodym property and the convex combination of function values taken on a division of the interval  $[a, b]$ .

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

A Banach space  $X$  with the property that every absolutely continuous  $X$ -valued function is almost everywhere differentiable is said to be a *Radon-Nikodym space* [7, pp. 217–219] or [2], [13] (see also [3]). For example, every reflexive Banach space (in particular, every Hilbert space) is a Radon-Nikodym space, but the space  $L_\infty [0, 1]$  of all  $\mathbb{K}$ -valued, essentially bounded functions defined on the interval  $[0, 1]$ , endowed with the norm

$$\|g\|_\infty := \text{ess sup}_{t \in [0,1]} |g(t)|,$$

is a Banach space which is not a Radon-Nikodym space.

A function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  is *measurable* if there exists a sequence of simple functions  $(f_n)$  (with  $f_n : [a, b] \rightarrow X$ ) which converges punctually a.e. on  $[a, b]$ .

It is well-known that a measurable function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  is Bochner integrable if and only if its norm, that is, the function  $t \mapsto \|f\|(t) := \|f(t)\| : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  is Lebesgue integrable on  $[a, b]$ , (see for example [12]). The Bochner integral of  $f$  shall be represented by  $(B) \int_a^b f$ .

Further, we use the integration by parts formula, which holds under the following general conditions:

Let  $-\infty < a < b < \infty$  and  $f, g$  be two mappings defined on  $[a, b]$  such that  $f$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued and  $g$  is  $X$ -valued, where  $X$  is a real or complex Banach space. If  $f, g$  are differentiable on  $[a, b]$  and their derivatives are Bochner integrable on  $[a, b]$ , then

$$(B) \int_a^b f'g = f(b)g(b) - f(a)g(a) - (B) \int_a^b fg'.$$

For some results on the Ostrowski inequality for real-valued functions, see [1], [5], [10] and [11], and the references therein.

The following theorem concerning a version of Ostrowski's inequality for vector-valued functions has been obtained in [3].

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $(X; \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space with the Radon-Nikodym property and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  an absolutely continuous function on  $[a, b]$  with the property that  $f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X)$ , i.e.,*

$$\|f'\|_{[a,b],\infty} := \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \|f'(t)\| < \infty.$$

*Then we have the inequalities:*

$$\begin{aligned} (1.1) \quad & \left\| f(s) - \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt \right\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ \int_a^s (t-a) \|f'(t)\| dt + \int_s^b (b-t) \|f'(t)\| dt \right] \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2(b-a)} \left[ (s-a)^2 \|f'\|_{[a,s],\infty} + (b-s)^2 \|f'\|_{[s,b],\infty} \right] \\ & \leq \left[ \frac{1}{4} + \left( \frac{s - \frac{a+b}{2}}{b-a} \right)^2 \right] (b-a) \|f'\|_{[a,b],\infty} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} (b-a) \|f'\|_{[a,b],\infty}; \end{aligned}$$

*for any  $s \in [a, b]$ , where  $(B) \int_a^b f(t) dt$  is the Bochner integral of  $f$ .*

Bounds involving the  $p$ -norms,  $p \in [1, \infty)$ , of the derivative  $f'$ , are embodied in the following theorem [3].

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space with the Radon-Nikodym property and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  be an absolutely continuous function on  $[a, b]$  with the property that  $f' \in L_p([a, b]; X)$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty)$ , i.e.,*

$$(1.2) \quad \|f'\|_{[a,b],p} := \left( \int_a^b \|f'(t)\|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty.$$

Then we have the inequalities:

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left\| f(s) - \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt \right\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ \int_a^s (t-a) \|f'(t)\| dt + \int_s^b (b-t) \|f'(t)\| dt \right] \\ & \leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ (s-a) \|f'\|_{[a,s],1} + (b-s) \|f'\|_{[s,b],1} \right] & \text{if } f' \in L_1([a,b]; X); \\ \frac{1}{(b-a)(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left[ (s-a)^{\frac{1}{q}+1} \|f'\|_{[a,s],p} + (b-s)^{\frac{1}{q}+1} \|f'\|_{[s,b],p} \right] & \text{if } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \text{ and } f' \in L_p([a,b]; X); \end{cases} \\ & \leq \begin{cases} \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \left| \frac{s - \frac{a+b}{2}}{b-a} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[a,b],1} & \text{if } f' \in L_1([a,b]; X); \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left[ \left( \frac{s-a}{b-a} \right)^{q+1} + \left( \frac{b-s}{b-a} \right)^{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} (b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_{[a,b],p} & \text{if } f' \in L_p([a,b]; X). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The main aim of this paper is to point out estimates between the Bochner integral of a vector-valued function, with values in Banach spaces having the Radon-Nikodym property and a convex combination of values taken on a given division of the interval  $[a, b]$ . The obtained results naturally extend the Ostrowski type inequalities mentioned above. Some particular cases for two and three points rules are also given.

## 2. THE RESULTS

Let  $a \leq b$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Define the mapping

$$(2.1) \quad \mu_p(a, c, b) := \begin{cases} \int_a^b |t-c|^p dt & \text{if } p \in [1, \infty); \\ \max_{t \in [a,b]} |t-c| & \text{if } p = \infty. \end{cases}$$

We observe that:

(1) If  $c < a$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_p(a, c, b) &= \int_a^b (t - c)^p dt \\ &= \frac{1}{p+1} [(b - c)^{p+1} - (a - c)^{p+1}], \quad \text{for } p \in [1, \infty)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mu_\infty(a, c, b) = b - c.$$

(2) If  $c \in [a, b]$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_p(a, c, b) &= \int_a^c (c - t)^p dt + \int_c^b (t - c)^p dt \\ &= \frac{1}{p+1} [(c - a)^{p+1} + (b - c)^{p+1}]\end{aligned}$$

for  $p \in [1, \infty)$  and

$$\mu_\infty(a, c, b) = \max(c - a, b - c) = \frac{1}{2}(b - a) + \left|c - \frac{a + b}{2}\right|.$$

(3) If  $b < c$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_p(a, c, b) &= \int_a^b (c - t)^p dt \\ &= \frac{1}{p+1} [(c - a)^{p+1} - (c - b)^{p+1}], \quad \text{for } p \in [1, \infty)\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mu_\infty(a, c, b) = c - a.$$

Consequently, we may conclude that

$$\mu_p(a, c, b) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{p+1} [(b - c)^{p+1} - (a - c)^{p+1}] & \text{if } c < a; \\ \frac{1}{p+1} [(c - a)^{p+1} + (b - c)^{p+1}] & \text{if } c \in [a, b]; \\ \frac{1}{p+1} [(c - a)^{p+1} - (c - b)^{p+1}] & \text{if } b < c; \end{cases}$$

for  $p \in [1, \infty)$  and

$$\mu_\infty(a, c, b) = \begin{cases} b - c & \text{if } c < a; \\ \frac{1}{2}(b - a) + \left|c - \frac{a + b}{2}\right| & \text{if } c \in [a, b]; \\ c - a & \text{if } b < c; \end{cases}$$

where  $\mu_s(a, c, b)$ ,  $s \in [1, \infty]$  is as defined in (2.1).

The following integral identity is of interest.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  be an absolutely continuous function on the Banach space  $X$ ,  $X$  is with the property of Radon-Nikodym,  $a \leq x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_{n-1} \leq x_n \leq b$  and  $p_i > 0$*

( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ . Then we have the identity:

$$(2.2) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(x_i) - \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt = \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^{x_1} (t-a) f'(t) dt \\ + \frac{1}{b-a} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (B) \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} [t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)] f'(t) dt \\ + \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_{x_n}^b (t-b) f'(t) dt,$$

where  $(B) \int_a^b f(t) dt$  is the Bochner integral,  $P_i := \sum_{k=1}^i p_k$  and  $\bar{P}_i = 1 - P_i$ .

The sum in the middle is assumed to be zero when  $n = 1$ .

*Proof.* We know that, on utilizing the integration by parts formula, for any  $x \in [a, b]$ , we have the representation (see for example [3])

$$(2.3) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt + \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b k(x, t) f'(t) dt,$$

where

$$k(x, t) = \begin{cases} t - a & \text{if } a \leq t \leq x \leq b, \\ t - b & \text{if } a \leq x < t \leq b. \end{cases}$$

Putting in (2.3)  $x = x_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ), multiplying by  $p_i \geq 0$  and summing over  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ , we deduce

$$(2.4) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(x_i) = \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt + \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i k(x_i, t) \right] f'(t) dt.$$

However,

$$k(x_1, t) = \begin{cases} t - a & \text{if } a \leq t \leq x_1 \leq b, \\ t - b & \text{if } a \leq x_1 < t \leq b, \end{cases} \\ \dots \dots \dots \\ k(x_n, t) = \begin{cases} t - a & \text{if } a \leq t \leq x_n \leq b, \\ t - b & \text{if } a \leq x_n < t \leq b, \end{cases}$$

then

$$(2.5) \quad S(\bar{x}, \bar{p}, t) := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i k(x_i, t) \\ = \begin{cases} p_1(t-a) + p_2(t-a) + \dots + p_{n-1}(t-a) + p_n(t-a), & a \leq t \leq x_1 \leq b, \\ p_1(t-b) + p_2(t-a) + \dots + p_{n-1}(t-a) + p_n(t-a), & a \leq x_1 < t \leq x_2 \leq b, \\ \dots \dots \dots \\ p_1(t-b) + p_2(t-b) + \dots + p_{n-1}(t-b) + p_n(t-a), & a \leq x_{n-1} \leq t \leq x_n \leq b, \\ p_1(t-b) + p_2(t-b) + \dots + p_{n-1}(t-b) + p_n(t-b), & a \leq x_n < t \leq b, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \begin{cases} t - a, & a \leq t \leq x_1 \leq b, \\ p_1(t - b) + (p_2 + \cdots + p_n)(t - a), & a \leq x_1 < t \leq x_2 \leq b, \\ \dots\dots\dots & \\ (p_1 + \cdots + p_{n-1})(t - b) + p_n(t - a), & a \leq x_{n-1} \leq t \leq x_n \leq b, \\ t - b, & a \leq x_n < t \leq b, \end{cases} \\
&= \begin{cases} t - a, & a \leq t \leq x_1 \leq b, \\ t - [p_1 b + (p_2 + \cdots + p_n) a], & a \leq x_1 < t \leq x_2 \leq b, \\ \dots\dots\dots & \\ t - [(p_1 + \cdots + p_{n-1}) b + p_n a], & a \leq x_{n-1} \leq t \leq x_n \leq b, \\ t - b, & a \leq x_n < t \leq b, \end{cases} \\
&= \begin{cases} t - a, & a \leq t \leq x_1 \leq b, \\ t - (P_1 b + \bar{P}_1 a), & a \leq x_1 < t \leq x_2 \leq b, \\ \dots\dots\dots & \\ t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a) & a \leq x_i \leq t \leq x_{i+1} \leq b, \\ \dots\dots\dots & \\ t - (P_{n-1} b + \bar{P}_{n-1} a), & a \leq x_{n-1} \leq t \leq x_n \leq b, \\ t - b, & a \leq x_n < t \leq b. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently, by (2.4) and (2.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.6) \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(x_i) \\
&= \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt + \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b S(\bar{x}, \bar{p}, t) f'(t) dt \quad (\text{by (2.5)}) \\
&= \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt + \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_a^{x_1} (t-a) f'(t) dt \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{b-a} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (B) \int_a^b [t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)] f'(t) dt \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{b-a} (B) \int_{x_n}^b (t-b) f'(t) dt,
\end{aligned}$$

and the representation (2.2) is proved. ■

The following result in approximating the Bochner integral  $(B) \int_a^b f(t) dt$  in terms of the convex combination of  $(f(x_i))_{i=1, \overline{n}}$  with the weights  $(p_i)_{i=1, \overline{n}}$  holds.

**Theorem 2.2.** Assume that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$ ,  $(x_i)_{i=1, \dots, n}$  and  $(p_i)_{i=1, \dots, n}$  are as in Lemma 2.1. Then we have the inequality:

$$(2.7) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(x_i) \right\|$$

$$\leq \int_a^{x_1} (t-a) \|f'(t)\| dt + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} |t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)| \|f'(t)\| dt$$

$$+ \int_{x_n}^b (b-t) \|f'(t)\| dt$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x_1 - a) \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], 1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_\infty(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], 1} \\ \quad + (b - x_n) \|f'\|_{[x_n, b], 1} \\ \frac{(x_1 - a)^{1 + \frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], p} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} [\mu_q(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1})]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], p} \\ \quad + \frac{(b - x_n)^{1 + \frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \|f'\|_{[x_n, b], p} \quad \text{where } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \\ \quad \text{and if } f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], \infty} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_1(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], \infty} \\ \quad + \frac{(b - x_n)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[x_n, b], \infty} \quad \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{array} \right.$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max \left( x_1 - a, \max_{i=1, \dots, n-1} \{ \mu_\infty(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \}, b - x_n \right) \|f'\|_{[a, b], 1} \\ \quad \text{if } f' \in L_1([a, b]; X); \\ \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^{q+1}}{q+1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_q(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) + \frac{(b - x_n)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_{[a, b], p} \\ \quad \text{where } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \quad \text{and if } f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_1(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) + \frac{(b - x_n)^2}{2} \right] \|f'\|_{[a, b], \infty} \\ \quad \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{array} \right.$$

where  $L_p([a, b]; X)$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$  are the usual vector-valued Lebesgue spaces and

$$\|h\|_{[\alpha, \beta], \infty} := \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [\alpha, \beta]} \|h(t)\|,$$

$$\|h\|_{[\alpha, \beta], p} := \left( \int_\alpha^\beta \|h(t)\|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad p \geq 1,$$

and the functions  $\mu_q(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$ ,  $q \in [1, \infty]$  were defined in (2.1).

*Proof.* Using the properties of the norm, we have, by (2.2), that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(x_i) \right\| \\ & \leq \int_a^{x_1} (t-a) \|f'(t)\| dt + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} |t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)| \|f'(t)\| dt \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad + \int_{x_n}^b (b-t) \|f'(t)\| dt \end{aligned}$$

and the first inequality in (2.7) is proved.

Now, observe that

$$\int_a^{x_1} (t-a) \|f'(t)\| dt \leq \begin{cases} (x_1 - a) \| \|f'\| \|_{[a, x_1], 1}; \\ \frac{(x_1 - a)^{1 + \frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \| \|f'\| \|_{[a, x_1], p} & \text{if } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} \| \|f'\| \|_{[a, x_1], \infty} & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} |t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)| \|f'(t)\| dt \\ & \leq \begin{cases} \sup_{t \in [x_i, x_{i+1}]} |t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)| \| \|f'\| \|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], 1}; \\ \left( \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} |t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \| \|f'\| \|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], p} \\ \quad \text{if } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \text{ and } f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} |t - (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a)| dt \| \|f'\| \|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], \infty} & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{cases} \\ & = \begin{cases} \mu_\infty(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \| \|f'\| \|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], 1}; \\ [\mu_q(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1})]^{\frac{1}{q}} \| \|f'\| \|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], p} \\ \quad \text{if } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \text{ and } f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \mu_1(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \| \|f'\| \|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], \infty} & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$



with

$$\int_{x_n}^b (b-t) \|f'(t)\| dt \leq \begin{cases} (b-x_n) \|f'\|_{[x_n,b],1}; \\ \frac{(b-x_n)^{1+\frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \|f'\|_{[x_n,b],p} & \text{if } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a,b]; X); \\ \frac{(b-x_n)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[x_n,b],\infty} & \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a,b]; X); \end{cases}$$

giving the second inequality in (2.7).

Finally, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & (x_1 - a) \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_\infty(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \|f'\|_{[x_i,x_{i+1}],1} \\ & + (b - x_n) \|f'\|_{[x_n,b],1} \\ \leq & \max \left\{ x_1 - a, \max_{i=1, n-1} \{ \mu_\infty(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \}, b - x_n \right\} \\ & \times \left[ \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \|f'\|_{[x_i,x_{i+1}],1} + \|f'\|_{[x_n,b],1} \right] \\ \leq & \max \left\{ x_1 - a, \max_{i=1, n-1} \{ \mu_\infty(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \}, b - x_n \right\} \|f'\|_{[a,b],1}. \end{aligned}$$

Further, by the discrete Hölder's inequality we have that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(x_1 - a)^{1+\frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],p} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} [\mu_q(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1})]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_{[x_i,x_{i+1}],p} \\ & + \frac{(b - x_n)^{1+\frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \|f'\|_{[x_n,b],p} \\ \leq & \left\{ \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^{1+\frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \right]^q + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left( [\mu_q(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1})]^{\frac{1}{q}} \right)^q \right. \\ & \left. + \left[ \frac{(b - x_n)^{1+\frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \right]^q \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}} \times \left[ \|f'\|_{[x_n,b],p}^p + \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],p}^p + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \|f'\|_{[x_i,x_{i+1}],p}^p \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ = & \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^{q+1}}{q+1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_q(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) + \frac{(b - x_n)^{q+1}}{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_{[a,b],p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], \infty} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_1(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], \infty} \\
& + \frac{(b - x_n)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[x_n, b], \infty} \\
\leq & \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_1(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) + \frac{(b - x_n)^2}{2} \right] \\
& \times \max \left\{ \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], \infty}, \max_{i=1, n-1} \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], \infty}, \|f'\|_{[x_n, b], \infty} \right\} \\
= & \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_1(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) + \frac{(b - x_n)^2}{2} \right] \|f'\|_{[a, b], \infty};
\end{aligned}$$

and the theorem is completely proved. ■

It is a natural assumption to consider the weights  $p_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) for which  $\xi_i := P_i b + \bar{P}_i a$  ( $\in [a, b]$ ) will be in the interval  $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ). In this case we have:

$$\mu_\infty(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) = \frac{1}{2} h_i + \left| P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - \frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2} \right|,$$

where  $h_i := x_{i+1} - x_i$ , and for  $p \in [1, \infty)$

$$\mu_p(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) = \frac{1}{p+1} \left[ (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - x_i)^{p+1} + (x_{i+1} - P_i b - \bar{P}_i a)^{p+1} \right].$$

Note that for  $p = 1$ , we have

$$\mu_1(x_i, P_i b + \bar{P}_i a, x_{i+1}) = \frac{1}{4} h_i^2 + \left( P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - \frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2} \right)^2.$$

The following corollary is important for applications.

**Corollary 2.3.** *With the assumptions of Lemma 2.1 and if  $x_i \leq P_i b + \bar{P}_i a \leq x_{i+1}$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ , then we have the inequalities:*

$$(2.8) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - (b-a) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(x_i) \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x_1 - a) \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[ \frac{1}{2} h_i + \left| P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - \frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}],1} \\ \quad + (b - x_n) \|f'\|_{[x_n, b],1}; \\ \\ \frac{(x_1 - a)^{1 + \frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], p} \\ + \frac{1}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[ (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - x_i)^{q+1} + (x_{i+1} - P_i b - \bar{P}_i a)^{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], p} \\ \quad + \frac{(b - x_n)^{1 + \frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \|f'\|_{[x_n, b], p} \quad \text{where } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \\ \quad \text{and if } f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], \infty} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[ \frac{1}{4} h_i^2 + \left( P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - \frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2} \right)^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[x_i, x_{i+1}], \infty} \\ \quad + \frac{(b - x_n)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[x_n, b], \infty} \quad \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{array} \right.$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max \left( x_1 - a, \frac{1}{2} \max_{i=1, n-1} h_i + \max_{i=1, n-1} \left| P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - \frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2} \right|, b - x_n \right) \|f'\|_{[a, b], 1} \\ \quad \text{if } f' \in L_1([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \left[ (x_1 - a)^{q+1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[ (P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - x_i)^{q+1} \right. \right. \\ \quad \left. \left. + (x_{i+1} - P_i b - \bar{P}_i a)^{q+1} \right] + (b - x_n)^{q+1} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \|f'\|_{[a, b], p} \\ \quad \text{if } p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[ \frac{1}{4} h_i^2 + \left( P_i b + \bar{P}_i a - \frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2} \right)^2 \right] + \frac{(b - x_n)^2}{2} \right] \|f'\|_{[a, b], \infty} \\ \quad \text{if } f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

**Remark 2.1.** For  $n = 1$ , we recapture from (2.8) the Ostrowski type inequalities incorporated in Theorems 1.1 and 1.2.

### 3. THE CASE OF TWO POINTS

The following proposition is a particular case of Corollary 2.3 for  $n = 2$  and will be considered in some details since there are important for applications.

**Proposition 3.1.** *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space with the Radon-Nikodym property and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  be an absolutely continuous function on  $[a, b]$ . If  $a \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \leq b$  ( $b > a$ ) and  $t \in [0, 1]$  satisfies the condition*

$$(0 \leq) \frac{x_1 - a}{b - a} \leq t \leq \frac{x_2 - a}{b - a} (\leq 1),$$

then we have the inequalities

$$(3.1) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(s) ds - (b - a) [t f(x_2) + (1 - t) f(x_1)] \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x_1 - a) \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],1} + \left[ \frac{1}{2} (x_2 - x_1) + \left| tb + (1-t)a - \frac{x_1+x_2}{2} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[x_1,x_2],1} \\ + (b - x_2) \|f'\|_{[x_2,b],1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left\{ (x_1 - a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],p} \right. \\ + \left[ (tb + (1-t)a - x_1)^{q+1} + (x_2 - tb - (1-t)a)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} \|f'\|_{[x_1,x_2],p} \\ \left. + (b - x_2)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[x_2,b],p} \right\}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{(x_1-a)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[a,x_1],\infty} + \left[ \frac{1}{4} (x_2 - x_1)^2 + \left[ tb + (1-t)a - \frac{x_1+x_2}{2} \right]^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[x_1,x_2],\infty} \\ + \frac{(b-x_2)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[x_2,b],\infty}, f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{array} \right.$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max \left\{ x_1 - a, \frac{1}{2} (x_2 - x_1) + \left| tb + (1-t)a - \frac{x_1+x_2}{2} \right|, b - x_2 \right\} \|f'\|_{[a,b],1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left\{ (x_1 - a)^{q+1} + (tb + (1-t)a - x_1)^{q+1} + (x_2 - tb - (1-t)a)^{q+1} \right. \\ \left. + (b - x_2)^{q+1} \right\}^{1/q} \|f'\|_{[a,b],p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left[ \frac{(x_1-a)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{4} (x_2 - x_1)^2 + \left[ tb + (1-t)a - \frac{x_1+x_2}{2} \right]^2 + \frac{(b-x_2)^2}{2} \right] \|f'\|_{[a,b],\infty}, \\ f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

The following particular inequalities are of interest.

1. If  $x_1 = a, x_2 = b$ , then for any  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have the inequalities

$$(3.2) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(s) ds - (b-a) [tf(b) + (1-t)f(a)] \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (b-a) + \left| tb + (1-t)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[a,b],1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left[ t^{q+1} + (1-t)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[a,b],p}, \\ p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left[ \frac{1}{4} (b-a)^2 + \left( tb + (1-t)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[a,b],\infty}, f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

The best inequality one can get from (3.2) is for  $t = \frac{1}{2}$ , obtaining the trapezoidal rule

$$(3.3) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(s) ds - (b-a) \cdot \frac{f(b) + f(a)}{2} \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} (b-a) \|f'\|_{[a,b],1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{2(q+1)^{1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[a,b],p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{1}{4} (b-a)^2 \|f'\|_{[a,b],\infty}, f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

2. If  $x_1 = \frac{3a+b}{4}, x_2 = \frac{a+3b}{4}$ , then for any  $t \in \left[ \frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4} \right]$  we have the inequalities

$$(3.4) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(s) ds - (b-a) \left[ tf \left( \frac{3a+b}{4} \right) + (1-t) f \left( \frac{a+3b}{4} \right) \right] \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{b-a}{4} \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{3a+b}{4}], 1} + \left[ \frac{1}{4} (b-a) + \left| tb + (1-t)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+3b}{4}], 1} \\ + \frac{b-a}{4} \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+3b}{4}, b], 1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{4^{q+1}(q+1)^{1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{3a+b}{4}], p} \\ + \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left[ \left( tb + (1-t)a - \frac{3a+b}{4} \right)^{q+1} \right. \\ \left. + \left( \frac{a+3b}{4} - tb - (1-t)a \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} \|f'\|_{[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+3b}{4}], p} \\ + \frac{1}{4^{q+1}(q+1)^{1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+3b}{4}, b], p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{3a+b}{4}], \infty} + \left[ \frac{1}{16} (b-a)^2 + \left[ tb + (1-t)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right]^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[\frac{3a+b}{4}, \frac{a+3b}{4}], \infty} \\ + \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+3b}{4}, b], \infty}, f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left[ \frac{1}{4} (b-a) + \left| tb + (1-t)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[a, b], 1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left[ \frac{2(b-a)^{q+1}}{4^{q+1}} + \left( tb + (1-t)a - \frac{3a+b}{4} \right)^{q+1} + \left( \frac{a+3b}{4} - tb - (1-t)a \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} \\ \times (b-a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[a, b], p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left[ \frac{1}{8} (b-a)^2 + \left( tb + (1-t)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[a, b], \infty}, f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

The best inequality one can get from (3.4) is for  $t = \frac{1}{2}$ , obtaining

$$(3.5) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(s) ds - (b-a) \cdot \frac{f\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right)}{2} \right\| \\ \leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{4} (b-a) \|f'\|_{[a, b], 1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{4^{q+1}(q+1)^{1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[a, b], p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{1}{8} (b-a)^2 \|f'\|_{[a, b], \infty}, f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

**Remark 3.1.** One may realize that, instead of using the trapezoidal rule in approximating the Bochner integral  $(B) \int_a^b f(t) dt$ , that one should use the rule

$$(3.6) \quad QT(f; a, b) := (b-a) \cdot \frac{f\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right)}{2},$$

which provides a halving of the bound on the error.

#### 4. THE CASE OF THREE POINTS

The case of three points is important for applications since it contains amongst others Simpson's quadrature rule.

The following proposition holds:

**Proposition 4.1.** *Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space with the Radon-Nikodym property and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  be an absolutely continuous function on  $[a, b]$ . If  $a \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \leq x_3 \leq b$  ( $b > a$ ) and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in [0, 1]$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$  satisfies the condition*

$$(4.1) \quad (0 \leq) \frac{x_1 - a}{b - a} \leq \alpha \leq \frac{x_2 - a}{b - a} \leq \alpha + \beta \leq \frac{x_3 - a}{b - a} (\leq 1),$$

then we have the inequalities

$$(4.2) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - (b-a) [\alpha f(x_1) + \beta f(x_2) + (1-\alpha-\beta) f(x_3)] \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (x_1 - a) \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], 1} + \left[ \frac{1}{2} (x_2 - x_1) + \left| \alpha b + (1 - \alpha) a - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[x_1, x_2], 1} \\ + \left[ \frac{1}{2} (x_3 - x_2) + \left| (\alpha + \beta) b + (1 - \alpha - \beta) a - \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[x_2, x_3], 1} \\ + (b - x_2) \|f'\|_{[x_2, b], 1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left\{ (x_1 - a)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], p} \right. \\ + [(\alpha b + (1 - \alpha) a - x_1)^{q+1} + (x_2 - \alpha b - (1 - \alpha) a)^{q+1}]^{1/q} \|f'\|_{[x_1, x_2], p} \\ + [((\alpha + \beta) b + (1 - \alpha - \beta) a - x_2)^{q+1} + (x_3 - (\alpha + \beta) b - (1 - \alpha - \beta) a)^{q+1}]^{1/q} \\ \left. \times \|f'\|_{[x_2, x_3], p} + (b - x_3)^{1+1/q} \|f'\|_{[x_3, b], p} \right\}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[a, x_1], \infty} + \left[ \frac{1}{4} (x_2 - x_1)^2 + \left[ \alpha b + (1 - \alpha) a - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \right]^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[x_1, x_2], \infty} \\ \left[ \frac{1}{4} (x_3 - x_2)^2 + \left[ (\alpha + \beta) b + (1 - \alpha - \beta) a - \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2} \right]^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[x_2, x_3], \infty} \\ + \frac{(b - x_3)^2}{2} \|f'\|_{[x_3, b], \infty}, f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{array} \right.$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max \left\{ x_1 - a, \frac{1}{2} (x_2 - x_1) + \left| \alpha b + (1 - \alpha) a - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \right|, \right. \\ \left. \frac{1}{2} (x_2 - x_1) + \left| (\alpha + \beta) b + (1 - \alpha - \beta) a - \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2} \right|, b - x_2 \right\} \|f'\|_{[a, b], 1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left\{ (x_1 - a)^{q+1} + (\alpha b + (1 - \alpha) a - x_1)^{q+1} + (x_2 - \alpha b - (1 - \alpha) a)^{q+1} \right. \\ + ((\alpha + \beta) b + (1 - \alpha - \beta) a - x_2)^{q+1} + (x_3 - (\alpha + \beta) b - (1 - \alpha - \beta) a)^{q+1} \\ \left. + (b - x_3)^{q+1} \right\} \|f'\|_{[a, b], p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left[ \frac{(x_1 - a)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{4} (x_2 - x_1)^2 + \left[ \alpha b + (1 - \alpha) a - \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} \right]^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4} (x_3 - x_2)^2 + \left[ (\alpha + \beta) b + (1 - \alpha - \beta) a - \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2} \right]^2 + \frac{(b - x_3)^2}{2} \right] \|f'\|_{[a, b], \infty}, \\ f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

The following particular inequalities are of interest.

1. Assume that  $x_1 = a, x_2 = \frac{a+b}{2}, x_3 = b$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$  so that  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \frac{1}{2} \leq \alpha + \beta \leq 1$ , then we have the inequalities

$$(4.3) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - (b-a) \left[ \alpha f(a) + \beta f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + (1-\alpha-\beta) f(b) \right] \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left[ \frac{1}{4}(b-a) + \left| \alpha b + (1-\alpha)a - \frac{3a+b}{4} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{a+b}{2}], 1} \\ + \left[ \frac{1}{4}(b-a) + \left| (\alpha + \beta)b + (1-\alpha-\beta)a - \frac{a+3b}{4} \right| \right] \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+b}{2}, b], 1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left\{ \left[ \alpha^{q+1}(b-a)^{q+1} + \left( \frac{a+b}{2} - \alpha b - (1-\alpha)a \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{a+b}{2}], p} \right. \\ \left. + \left[ \left( (\alpha + \beta)b + (1-\alpha-\beta)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{q+1} + (1-\alpha-\beta)^{q+1}(b-a)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} \right\} \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+b}{2}, b], p} \\ p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left[ \frac{1}{16}(b-a)^2 + \left[ \alpha b + (1-\alpha)a - \frac{3a+b}{4} \right]^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{a+b}{2}], \infty} \\ \left[ \frac{1}{16}(b-a)^2 + \left[ (\alpha + \beta)b + (1-\alpha-\beta)a - \frac{a+3b}{4} \right]^2 \right] \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+b}{2}, b], \infty} \\ f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{array} \right.$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max \left\{ \left[ \frac{1}{4}(b-a) + \left| \alpha b + (1-\alpha)a - \frac{3a+b}{4} \right| \right], \right. \\ \left. \left[ \frac{1}{4}(b-a) + \left| (\alpha + \beta)b + (1-\alpha-\beta)a - \frac{a+3b}{4} \right| \right] \right\} \|f'\|_{[a, b], 1} \\ \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left\{ \alpha^{q+1}(b-a)^{q+1} + \left( \frac{a+b}{2} - \alpha b - (1-\alpha)a \right)^{q+1} \right. \\ \left. + \left( (\alpha + \beta)b + (1-\alpha-\beta)a - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{q+1} + (1-\alpha-\beta)^{q+1}(b-a)^{q+1} \right\}^{1/q} \|f'\|_{[a, b], p} \\ p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \left\{ \frac{1}{8}(b-a)^2 + \left[ \alpha b + (1-\alpha)a - \frac{3a+b}{4} \right]^2 \right. \\ \left. + \left[ (\alpha + \beta)b + (1-\alpha-\beta)a - \frac{a+3b}{4} \right]^2 \right\} \|f'\|_{[a, b], \infty} \\ f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X). \end{array} \right.$$

It is easy to see that, the best inequality one can derive from (4.3) is the one for  $\alpha = \frac{1}{4}$  and  $\beta = \frac{3}{4}$ , getting

$$(4.4) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - (b-a) \left[ \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{4} + \frac{1}{2} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{4}(b-a) \|f'\|_{[a, b], 1}; \\ \\ \frac{1}{2^{2+1/q}(q+1)^{1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \left\{ \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{a+b}{2}], p} + \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+b}{2}, b], p} \right\} \\ p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a, b]; X); \\ \\ \frac{1}{16}(b-a)^2 \left[ \|f'\|_{[a, \frac{a+b}{2}], \infty} + \|f'\|_{[\frac{a+b}{2}, b], \infty} \right], f' \in L_\infty([a, b]; X); \end{array} \right.$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} (b-a) \| \|f'\| \|_{[a,b],1}; \\ \frac{1}{2^{2+1/q}(q+1)^{1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \| \|f'\| \|_{[a,b],p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a,b]; X); \\ \frac{1}{8} (b-a)^2 \| \|f'\| \|_{[a,b],\infty} f' \in L_\infty([a,b]; X). \end{cases}$$

The inequality (4.3) incorporates *Simpson's rule* as well. Indeed, if we choose  $\alpha = \frac{1}{6}, \beta = \frac{4}{6}$ , then we get from (4.3) the result

$$(4.5) \quad \left\| (B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - \frac{(b-a)}{3} \left[ \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} + 2f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right] \right\|$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} (b-a) \| \|f'\| \|_{[a,b],1}; \\ \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q} 6^{1+1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \left\{ \| \|f'\| \|_{[a, \frac{a+b}{2}],p} + \| \|f'\| \|_{[\frac{a+b}{2}, b],p} \right\} \\ p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a,b]; X); \\ \frac{5}{72} (b-a)^2 \left[ \| \|f'\| \|_{[a, \frac{a+b}{2}],\infty} + \| \|f'\| \|_{[\frac{a+b}{2}, b],\infty} \right], f' \in L_\infty([a,b]; X); \end{cases}$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} (b-a) \| \|f'\| \|_{[a,b],1}; \\ \frac{(2^{q+1}+1)^{1/q}}{2 \cdot 3^{1+1/q} (q+1)^{1/q}} (b-a)^{1+1/q} \| \|f'\| \|_{[a,b],p}, p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, f' \in L_p([a,b]; X); \\ \frac{5}{36} (b-a)^2 \| \|f'\| \|_{[a,b],\infty} f' \in L_\infty([a,b]; X). \end{cases}$$

**Remark 4.1.** It is obvious that, if the values at  $a, \frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $b$  of the function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow X$  are available, then one should choose the rule

$$QS(f; a, b) := (b-a) \left[ \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{4} + \frac{1}{2} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right]$$

that provides a better approximation for the Bochner integral  $(B) \int_a^b f(t) dt$  than the classical Simpson's rule.

2. If one chooses  $x_1 = \frac{3a+b}{4}, x_2 = \frac{a+b}{2}, x_3 = \frac{a+3b}{4}$ , then by the use of inequality (4.2), one can derive estimates for the norm of difference

$$(B) \int_a^b f(t) dt - (b-a) \left[ \alpha f\left(\frac{3a+b}{4}\right) + \beta f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + (1-\alpha-\beta) f\left(\frac{a+3b}{4}\right) \right]$$

in terms of the Lebesgue norms of the derivative  $f'$ .

We omit the details.

For more scalar-valued three point quadrature rules, see [6].

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