

## Some Inequalities for Power Series with nonnegative coefficients via a divided difference reverse of Jensen inequality

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ABSTRACT. Some inequalities for power series with nonnegative coefficients via a divided difference reverse of Jensen inequality are given. Applications for some fundamental functions defined by power series are also provided.

### 1. Introduction

On utilizing some reverses of Jensen discrete inequality for convex functions, we obtained in [5] the following result for functions defined by power series with nonnegative coefficients:

**THEOREM 1.1.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p \geq 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $x > 0$  with  $\alpha x^p, \alpha x^{p-1} < R$ , then*

$$(1.1) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p \leq p \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right].$$

$$(1.2) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p \leq p \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} p \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^{2(p-1)})}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \right]^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4} p$$

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and

$$(1.3) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p \leq p \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \\ \leq \frac{1}{2^p} \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^2)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4^p}.$$

COROLLARY 1.1. Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $u, v > 0$  with  $v^p \leq u^q < R$ , then

$$(1.4) \quad \left[ \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right]^p \leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \leq \frac{1}{4^p} + \left[ \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right]^p$$

and

$$(1.5) \quad 0 \leq [f(v^p)]^{1/p} [f(u^q)]^{1/q} - f(uv) \leq \frac{1}{4^{1/p}} p^{1/p} f(u^q).$$

Utilising a different approach in [6] we obtained the following results as well:

THEOREM 1.2. Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then

$$(1.6) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^p \leq M_p \left( 1 - \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right) \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \leq \frac{1}{4} M_p$$

and

$$(1.7) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^p \leq \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1 - \left( \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^{p-1}}{1 - \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)}} \leq \frac{1}{4} M_p,$$

where

$$M_p := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p \in (1, 2], \\ p-1 & \text{if } p \in (2, \infty). \end{cases}$$

COROLLARY 1.2. Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $u, v > 0$  with  $v^p \leq u^q < R$ , then

$$(1.8) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} - \left( \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^p \leq M_p \left( 1 - \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right) \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \leq \frac{1}{4} M_p$$

and

$$(1.9) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} - \left( \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^p \leq \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1 - \left( \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^{p-1}}{1 - \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)}} \leq \frac{1}{4} M_p.$$

For some similar exponential and logarithmic inequalities see [5] and [6] where further applications for some fundamental functions were provided .

For other recent results for power series with nonnegative coefficients, see [2], [9], [13] and [14]. For more results on power series inequalities, see [2] and [9]-[12].

The most important power series with nonnegative coefficients that can be used to illustrate the above results are:

$$(1.10) \quad \exp(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n, \quad z \in D(0,1),$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} z^n, \quad z \in D(0,1), \quad \cosh z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} z^{2n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C},$$

$$\sinh z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Other important examples of functions as power series representations with nonnegative coefficients are:

$$(1.11) \quad \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0,1),$$

$$\sin^{-1}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}(2n+1)n!} z^{2n+1}, \quad z \in D(0,1),$$

$$\tanh^{-1}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0,1),$$

$${}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha)\Gamma(n+\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}{n!\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(n+\gamma)} z^n, \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0$$

$$z \in D(0,1),$$

where  $\Gamma$  is *Gamma function*.

Motivated by the above results and utilizing a divided difference reverse of Jensen's inequality, we provide in this paper other inequalities for power series with nonnegative coefficients. Applications for some fundamental functions are given as well.

## 2. A Refinement and a New Reverse

For a real function  $g : [m, M] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and two distinct points  $\alpha, \beta \in [m, M]$  we recall that the *divided difference* of  $g$  in these points is defined by

$$[\alpha, \beta; g] := \frac{g(\beta) - g(\alpha)}{\beta - \alpha}.$$

The following result holds:

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous convex function on the interval of real numbers  $I$  and  $m, M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m < M$  with  $[m, M] \subset I$ ,  $\overset{\circ}{I}$  the interior of  $I$ . Let  $\bar{\alpha} =$*

$(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{p}} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$  be  $n$ -tuples of real numbers with  $p_i \geq 0$  ( $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ) and  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ . If  $m \leq a_i \leq M$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \neq m, M$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.1) \quad & \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| f(a_i) - f\left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j\right) \right| \operatorname{sgn}\left(a_i - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j\right) \right| \\
& \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(a_i) - f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i\right) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i, M; f \right] - \left[ m, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i; f \right] \right) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| a_i - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i, M; f \right] - \left[ m, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i; f \right] \right) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

If the lateral derivatives  $f'_+(m)$  and  $f'_-(M)$  are finite, then we also have the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.2) \quad & 0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(a_i) - f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i\right) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i, M; f \right] - \left[ m, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i; f \right] \right) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| a_i - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} [f'_-(M) - f'_+(m)] \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| a_i - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} [f'_-(M) - f'_+(m)] \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

PROOF. We recall that if  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a continuous convex function on the interval of real numbers  $I$  and  $\alpha \in I$ , then the *divided difference function*  $f_\alpha : I \setminus \{\alpha\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f_\alpha(t) := [\alpha, t; f] := \frac{f(t) - f(\alpha)}{t - \alpha}$$

is *monotonic nondecreasing* on  $I \setminus \{\alpha\}$ .

For  $\bar{a}_p := \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \in (m, M)$ , we consider now the sequence

$$f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) := \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p}.$$

We will show that  $f_{\bar{a}_p}(i)$  and  $h_i := a_i - \bar{a}_p$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  are synchronous.

Let  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $a_i, a_j \neq \bar{a}_p$ . Assume that  $a_i \geq a_j$ , then by the monotonicity of  $f_\alpha$  we have

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) &= \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p} \\ &\geq \frac{f(a_j) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_j - \bar{a}_p} = f_{\bar{a}_p}(j) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad h_i \geq h_j$$

which shows that

$$(2.5) \quad [f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) - f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)](h_i - h_j) \geq 0.$$

If  $a_i < a_j$ , then the inequalities (2.3) and (2.4) reverse but the inequality (2.5) still holds true.

Utilising the continuity property of the modulus we have

$$\begin{aligned} [ |f_{\bar{a}_p}(i)| - |f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)| ](h_i - h_j) &\leq [f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) - f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)](h_i - h_j) \\ &= [f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) - f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)](h_i - h_j) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

Multiplying with  $p_i, p_j \geq 0$  and summing over  $i$  and  $j$  from 1 to  $n$  we have

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} &\left| \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p_i p_j [ |f_{\bar{a}_p}(i)| - |f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)| ](h_i - h_j) \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p_i p_j [f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) - f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)](h_i - h_j). \end{aligned}$$

A simple calculation shows that

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p_i p_j [ |f_{\bar{a}_p}(i)| - |f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)| ](h_i - h_j) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |f_{\bar{a}_p}(i)| h_i - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |f_{\bar{a}_p}(i)| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i h_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p} \right| (a_i - \bar{a}_p) \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p} \right| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i (a_i - \bar{a}_p) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p} \right| (a_i - \bar{a}_p) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)| \operatorname{sgn}(a_i - \bar{a}_p) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.8) \quad & \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p_i p_j [f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) - f_{\bar{a}_p}(j)] (h_i - h_j) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) h_i - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i h_i \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left( \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p} \right) (a_i - \bar{a}_p) \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left( \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i (a_i - \bar{a}_p) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left( \frac{f(a_i) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{a_i - \bar{a}_p} \right) (a_i - \bar{a}_p) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(a_i) - f \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right).
\end{aligned}$$

On making use of the identities (2.7) and (2.8) we obtain from (2.6) the first inequality in (2.1).

Now, since  $\bar{a}_p := \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \in (m, M)$ , then we have. by the monotonicity of  $f_{\bar{a}_p}(i)$ , that

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.9) \quad [m, \bar{a}_p; f] &= \frac{f(\bar{a}_p) - f(m)}{\bar{a}_p - m} \leq f_{\bar{a}_p}(i) \\
&\leq \frac{f(M) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{M - \bar{a}_p} = [\bar{a}_p, M; f]
\end{aligned}$$

for any  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

Applying now the *Grüss' type inequality* obtained by Cerone & Dragomir in [1]

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \sum_{i=1}^n w_i y_i \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} (\Gamma - \gamma) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \right|$$

provided

$$(2.10) \quad -\infty < \delta \leq y_i \leq \Delta < \infty$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(a_i) - f \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} ([\bar{a}_p, M; f] - [m, \bar{a}_p; f]) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| a_i - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right|,
\end{aligned}$$

which proves the second inequality in (2.1).

The last bound in (2.1) is obvious by Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz discrete inequality. If the lateral derivatives  $f'_+(m)$  and  $f'_-(M)$  are finite, then by the convexity of  $f$  we have the *gradient inequalities*

$$\frac{f(M) - f(\bar{a}_p)}{M - \bar{a}_p} \leq f'_-(M)$$

and

$$\frac{f(\bar{a}_p) - f(m)}{\bar{a}_p - m} \geq f'_+(m),$$

where  $\bar{a}_p \in (m, M)$ . These imply that

$$[\bar{a}_p, M; f] - [m, \bar{a}_p; f] \leq f'_-(M) - f'_+(m)$$

and the proof of the third inequality in (2.2) is concluded.

The rest is obvious.  $\square$

For an integral version see [7].

REMARK 2.1. Define the weighted arithmetic mean of the positive  $n$ -tuple  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  with the nonnegative weights  $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n)$  by

$$A_n(w, x) := \frac{1}{W_n} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

where  $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i > 0$  and the weighted geometric mean of the same  $n$ -tuple, by

$$G_n(w, x) := \left( \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{w_i} \right)^{1/W_n}.$$

It is well know that the following arithmetic mean-geometric mean inequality holds

$$A_n(w, x) \geq G_n(w, x).$$

Applying the inequality (2.2) for the convex function  $f(t) = -\ln t, t > 0$  we have the following reverse of the arithmetic mean-geometric mean inequality

$$(2.11) \quad 1 \leq \frac{A_n(w, x)}{G_n(w, x)} \leq \left[ \frac{\left( \frac{A_n(w, x)}{m} \right)^{A_n(w, x) - m}}{\left( \frac{M}{A_n(w, x)} \right)^{M - A_n(w, x)}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2} A_n(w, |x - A_n(w, x)|)} \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{M - m}{mM} A_n(w, |x - A_n(w, x)|) \right],$$

provided that  $0 < m \leq x_i \leq M < \infty$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

### 3. Applications for the Hölder Inequality

If  $x_i, y_i \geq 0$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , then the *Hölder inequality* holds true

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

where  $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ .

Assume that  $p > 1$ . If  $z_i \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , satisfies the bounds

$$0 < m \leq z_i \leq M < \infty \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

and  $w_i \geq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with  $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i > 0$ , then from Theorem 2.1 we have amongst other the following inequality

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad & \left| \frac{1}{W_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| z_i^p - \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n} \right)^p \right| w_i \operatorname{sgn} \left[ z_i - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n} \right] \right| \\ & \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i^p - \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n} \right)^p}{W_n} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n}, M; (\cdot)^p \right] - \left[ m, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n}; (\cdot)^p \right] \right) \tilde{D}_w(z) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n}, M; (\cdot)^p \right] - \left[ m, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n}; (\cdot)^p \right] \right) \tilde{D}_{w,2}(z) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n}, M; (\cdot)^p \right] - \left[ m, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n}; (\cdot)^p \right] \right) (M - m), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n} \in (m, M)$  and

$$\tilde{D}_w(z) := \frac{1}{W_n} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| z_i - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n w_j z_j}{W_n} \right|$$

while

$$\tilde{D}_{w,2}(z) = \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i^2}{W_n} - \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i z_i}{W_n} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

The following result related to the *Hölder inequality* holds:

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *If  $x_i \geq 0, y_i > 0$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and there exists the constants  $\gamma, \Gamma > 0$  such that*

$$\gamma \leq \frac{x_i}{y_i^{q-1}} \leq \Gamma \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$



then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2) \quad & \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^p}{y_i^q} - \left( \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^q} \right)^p \right| y_i^q \operatorname{sgn} \left[ \frac{x_i}{y_i^{q-1}} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^q} \right] \\
& \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} - \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} \right)^p \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}, \Gamma; (\cdot)^p \right] - \left[ \gamma, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}; (\cdot)^p \right] \right) \tilde{D}_{y^q} \left( \frac{x}{y^{q-1}} \right) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}, \Gamma; (\cdot)^p \right] - \left[ \gamma, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}; (\cdot)^p \right] \right) \tilde{D}_{y^q, 2} \left( \frac{x}{y^{q-1}} \right) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}, \Gamma; (\cdot)^p \right] - \left[ \gamma, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}; (\cdot)^p \right] \right) (\Gamma - \gamma),
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\tilde{D}_{y^q} \left( \frac{x}{y^{q-1}} \right) = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q \left| \frac{x_i}{y_i^{q-1}} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^q} \right|$$

and

$$\tilde{D}_{y^q, 2} \left( \frac{x}{y^{q-1}} \right) = \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^2}{y_i^{q-2}} - \left( \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^q} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

PROOF. The inequalities (3.3) follow from (3.1) by choosing

$$z_i = \frac{x_i}{y_i^{q-1}} \text{ and } w_i = \frac{y_i^q}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^q}, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

The details are omitted.  $\square$

REMARK 3.1. We observe that for  $p = q = 2$  we have from the first inequality in (3.2) the following reverse of the Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3) \quad & \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^2}{y_i^2} - \left( \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^2} \right)^2 \right| y_i^2 \operatorname{sgn} \left( \frac{x_i}{y_i} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^2} \right) \\
& \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2} - \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2} \right)^2 \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} (\Gamma - \gamma) \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \left| \frac{x_i}{y_i} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^2} \right| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} (\Gamma - \gamma) \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \left( \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n x_j y_j}{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j^2} \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
& \leq \frac{1}{4} (\Gamma - \gamma)^2,
\end{aligned}$$

provided that there exists the constants  $\gamma, \Gamma > 0$  such that

$$\gamma \leq \frac{x_i}{y_i} \leq \Gamma \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

#### 4. Power Inequalities

Utilising the inequality (2.1) for the convex function  $f : [m, M] \subset [0, \infty] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p \geq 1$ ,  $f(t) = t^p$  we have

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^p - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right)^p \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{M^p - (\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i)^p}{M - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i} - \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i)^p - m^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i - m} \right) \\ &\quad \times \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $m \leq a_i \leq M$ , and  $p_i \geq 0$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \neq m, M$ .

If we write the inequality (4.1) for  $m = 0$  and  $M = 1$  we get

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^p - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right)^p \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - (\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i)^{p-1}}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 \leq a_i \leq 1$ , and  $p_i \geq 0$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \neq 0, 1$ .

We can state the following result for powers:

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then*

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^p \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \left( \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^{p-1}}{1 - \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)}} \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^2)}{f(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

**PROOF.** Let  $m \geq 1$  and  $0 < \alpha < R$ ,  $0 < x \leq 1$ . If we write the inequality (4.1) for

$$w_j = \frac{a_j \alpha^j}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \text{ and } z_j := x^j \in [0, 1], \quad j \in \{0, \dots, m\},$$

then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.4) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^{pj} - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^j \right)^p \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{1 - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^j \right)^{p-1}}{1 - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^j} \\
&\quad \times \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^{2j} - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (4.4) are convergent, then by letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (4.4) we deduce (4.3).  $\square$

**COROLLARY 4.1.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $u, v > 0$  with  $v^p \leq u^q < R$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.5) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} - \left( \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^p \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \left( \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^{p-1}}{1 - \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)}} \left[ \frac{f\left(u^{1-\frac{q}{p}} v^2\right)}{f(u^q)} - \left( \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

**PROOF.** Follows by taking into (4.3)  $\alpha = u^q$  and  $x = \frac{v}{u^{q/p}}$ . The details are omitted.  $\square$

**EXAMPLE 4.1.** a) If we write the inequalities (4.3) for the function  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ ,  $z \in D(0, 1)$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.6) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x} \right)^p \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x} \right)^{p-1}}{1 - \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x}} \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^2} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

for any  $\alpha, x \in (0, 1)$  and  $p > 1$ .

b) If we write the inequalities (4.3) for the function  $\exp z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.7) \quad 0 &\leq \exp[\alpha(x^p - 1)] - \exp[p\alpha(x - 1)] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \exp[\alpha(p-1)(x-1)]}{1 - \exp[\alpha(x-1)]} \{ \exp[\alpha(x^2 - 1)] - \exp[2\alpha(x - 1)] \}^{1/2}
\end{aligned}$$

for any  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $p > 1$  and  $x \in (0, 1)$ .

### 5. Logarithmic Inequalities

If we consider the convex function  $f(t) = t \ln t$ ,  $t > 0$ , then from (2.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.1) \quad 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \ln a_i - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) \ln \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{M \ln M - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) \ln \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right)}{M - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{\left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) \ln \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) - m \ln m}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i - m} \right] \\
 &\quad \times \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 < m \leq a_i \leq M$ , and  $p_i \geq 0$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \neq m, M$ .

If we take in (5.1)  $M = 1$  and let  $m \rightarrow 0+$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.2) \quad 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \ln a_i - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) \ln \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i\right) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
 &\quad \times \ln \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right)^{-\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 < a_i \leq 1$ , and  $p_i \geq 0$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \neq 0, 1$ .

**THEOREM 5.1.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $0 < \alpha < R$ ,  $p > 0$  and  $x \in (0, 1)$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5.3) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{p \alpha x^p f'(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)}\right) \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)}} \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^{2p})}{f(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
 &\quad \times \ln \left[ \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^{-\frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)}} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. If  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $m \geq 1$ , then by (5.2) for  $x_j = (x^p)^j$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^{pj} \ln x^{pj} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^{pj} \ln \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^{pj} \right) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j\right) \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j} \\
&\quad \times \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^{2j} - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
&\quad \times \ln \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right)^{-\frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

where  $p > 0$  and  $x \in (0, 1)$ .

This is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned}
(5.4) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{\ln x^p}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \ln \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j\right) \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j} \\
&\quad \times \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^{2j} - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
&\quad \times \ln \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right)^{-\frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (5.4) are convergent, then by letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (5.4) we deduce (5.3).  $\square$

EXAMPLE 5.1. a) If we write the inequality (5.3) for the function  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ ,  $z \in D(0, 1)$ , then we have for  $\alpha, x \in (0, 1)$  and  $p > 0$  that

$$(5.5) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p\alpha x^p(1-\alpha)}{(1-\alpha x^p)^2} \ln x - \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} \ln \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p}\right) \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p}} \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^{2p}} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &\quad \times \ln \left[ \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} \right)^{-\frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

b) If we write the inequality (5.3) for the function  $\exp z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we have

$$(5.6) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq [p\alpha x^p \ln x - \alpha(x^p - 1)] \exp[\alpha(x^p - 1)] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(1 - \exp[\alpha(x^p - 1)]) \exp[\alpha(x^p - 1)]} \\ &\quad \times [\exp[\alpha(x^{2p} - 1)] - \exp[2\alpha(x^p - 1)]]^{1/2} \\ &\quad \times [\alpha(x^p - 1)]^{-\exp[\alpha(x^p - 1)]} \end{aligned}$$

for  $x \in (0, 1)$  and  $\alpha, p > 0$ .

## 6. Exponential Inequalities

If we consider the exponential function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ ,  $f(t) = \exp(\beta t)$  with  $\beta > 0$  then from (2.1) we have

$$(6.1) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \exp(\beta a_i) - \exp\left(\beta \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\exp(\beta M) - \exp(\beta \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i)}{M - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\exp(\beta \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i) - \exp(\beta m)}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i - m} \right] \\ &\quad \times \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

for any  $a_i \in [m, M]$ ,  $p_i \geq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ .

If we take in (6.1)  $M = 0$  and let  $m \rightarrow -\infty$ , then we get

$$(6.2) \quad 0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \exp(\beta a_i) - \exp\left(\beta \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i\right) \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \exp(\beta \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i)}{-\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^2 - \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j a_j\right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

for any  $a_i \leq 0$ ,  $p_i \geq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with  $P_n := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ .

**THEOREM 6.1.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $x \leq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  with  $\exp(\beta x) < R$  and  $0 < \alpha < R$ , then*

$$(6.3) \quad 0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha \exp(\beta x))}{f(\alpha)} - \exp\left[\frac{\alpha \beta x f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)}\right] \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \exp\left(\beta x \frac{\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)}\right)}{\frac{\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)}} \left[ \frac{\alpha [f'(\alpha) + \alpha f''(\alpha)]}{f(\alpha)} - \left(\frac{\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)}\right)^2 \right]^{1/2}.$$

**PROOF.** If  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $m \geq 1$ , then by (6.2) for  $x_j = jx$ , we have

$$(6.4) \quad 0 \leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j [\exp(\beta x)]^j - \exp\left(\frac{\beta x}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j\right) \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \exp\left(\frac{\beta x}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j\right)}{-\frac{x}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j} \\ \times \left[ \frac{x^2}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j^2 a_j \alpha^j - \left(\frac{x}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j\right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \exp\left(\frac{\beta x}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j\right)}{\frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j} \\ \times \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j^2 a_j \alpha^j - \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j\right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

for  $x \in (-\infty, 0)$ .

If we denote  $g(u) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n u^n$ , then for  $|u| < R$ , its radius of convergence, we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \alpha_n u^n = u g'(u)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 \alpha_n u^n = u (ug' (u))'.$$

However

$$u (ug' (u))' = ug' (u) + u^2 g'' (u)$$

and then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 \alpha_n u^n = ug' (u) + u^2 g'' (u).$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (6.4) are convergent, then by letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (6.4) we deduce (6.3).  $\square$

EXAMPLE 6.1. If we write the inequality (6.3) for the function  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ ,  $z \in D(0, 1)$ , then we have for  $x \leq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  and  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , that

$$(6.5) \quad 0 \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha \exp(\beta x)} - \exp\left(\frac{\alpha \beta x}{1 - \alpha}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \exp\left(\frac{\alpha \beta x}{1 - \alpha}\right)}{\alpha^{1/2}}.$$

The interested reader may obtain other inequalities like (6.5) by taking various examples of power series with nonnegative coefficients as mentioned above. The details are omitted.

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