

Some inequalities for power series with nonnegative coefficients via a reverse of Jensen inequality

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Abstract

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

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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*

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

Moreover, if $0 < x \leq 1$, then

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

and

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

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

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

and

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

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

Theorem 1.3. 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

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

and

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

where

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

Corollary 1.4. 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

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

and

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

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, 8, 12, 13]. For more results on power series inequalities, see [2] and [8]–[11].

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

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \quad (1.10) \\ \ln \frac{1}{1-z} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} z^n, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \quad \cosh z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} z^{2n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \\ \sinh z &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}. \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \quad (1.11) \\ \sin^{-1}(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} (2n+1) n!} z^{2n+1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \\ \tanh^{-1}(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \\ {}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, z) &:= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha) \Gamma(n + \beta) \Gamma(\gamma)}{n! \Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(n + \gamma)} z^n, \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0 \\ &z \in D(0, 1), \end{aligned}$$

where Γ is *Gamma function*.

Motivated by the above results and utilizing a 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 reverse of Jensen's inequality

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 $[m, M] \subset \overset{\circ}{I}$, $\overset{\circ}{I}$ is the interior of I . If $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$, then we have the inequalities*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f(x_i) - f\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) \\ &\leq 2 \max\left\{\frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m}\right\} \\ &\quad \times \left[\frac{f(m) + f(M)}{2} - f\left(\frac{m + M}{2}\right)\right]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

Proof. We recall the following result obtained by the author in [4] that provides a refinement and a reverse for the weighted Jensen's discrete inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} n \min_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \{p_i\} &\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) - f\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)\right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(x_i) - f\left(\frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i\right) \\ &\leq n \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \{p_i\} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) - f\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)\right], \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

where $f : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a convex function defined on the convex subset C of the linear space X , $\{x_i\}_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \subset C$ are vectors and $\{p_i\}_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}}$ are nonnegative numbers with $P_n := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i > 0$.

For $n = 2$ we deduce from (2.2) that

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \min\{t, 1 - t\} &\left[\frac{f(x) + f(y)}{2} - f\left(\frac{x + y}{2}\right)\right] \\ &\leq t f(x) + (1 - t) f(y) - f(tx + (1 - t)y) \\ &\leq 2 \max\{t, 1 - t\} \left[\frac{f(x) + f(y)}{2} - f\left(\frac{x + y}{2}\right)\right] \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

for any $x, y \in C$ and $t \in [0, 1]$.

If we use the second inequality in (2.3) for the convex function $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ where $m, M \in \mathbb{R}$, $m < M$ with $[m, M] \subset \overset{\circ}{I}$, we have for $t = \frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}$ that

$$\frac{(M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i) f(m) + (\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m) f(M)}{M - m} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - f \left(\frac{m(M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i) + M(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m)}{M - m} \right) \\
& \leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m} \right\} \\
& \times \left[\frac{f(m) + f(M)}{2} - f \left(\frac{m + M}{2} \right) \right].
\end{aligned}$$

By the convexity of f we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f(x_i) - f \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \tag{2.5} \\
& = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f \left[\frac{m(M - x_i) + M(x_i - m)}{M - m} \right] \\
& - f \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left[\frac{m(M - x_i) + M(x_i - m)}{M - m} \right] \right) \\
& \leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \frac{(M - x_i) f(m) + (x_i - m) f(M)}{M - m} \\
& - f \left(\frac{m(M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i) + M(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m)}{M - m} \right) \\
& = \frac{(M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i) f(m) + (\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m) f(M)}{M - m} \\
& - f \left(\frac{m(M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i) + M(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m)}{M - m} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Utilizing the inequality (2.5) and (2.4) we deduce the desired inequality in (2.1). \square

For some related integral versions, see [4].

Remark 2.2. Since, obviously,

$$\frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m} \leq 1,$$

then we obtain from the first inequality in (2.1) the simpler, however coarser inequality, namely

$$0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f(x_i) - f \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \leq 2 \left[\frac{f(m) + f(M)}{2} - f \left(\frac{m + M}{2} \right) \right], \tag{2.6}$$

provided that $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

This inequality was obtained in 2008 by S. Simić in [14].

Example 2.3. a) If we write the inequality (2.1) for the convex function $f: [m, M] \subset [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, $f(t) = t^p$, $p \geq 1$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^p - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^p & (2.7) \\ &\leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m} \right\} \left[\frac{m^p + M^p}{2} - \left(\frac{m + M}{2} \right)^p \right] \\ &\leq 2 \left[\frac{m^p + M^p}{2} - \left(\frac{m + M}{2} \right)^p \right], \end{aligned}$$

for any $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

b) If we apply the inequality (2.1) for the convex function $f: [m, M] \subset [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, $f(t) = -\ln t$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \ln \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \ln x_i & (2.8) \\ &\leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m} \right\} \ln \left(\frac{\frac{m+M}{2}}{\sqrt{mM}} \right) \\ &\leq \ln \left(\frac{\frac{m+M}{2}}{\sqrt{mM}} \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

for any $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

This inequality is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{w_i}} \leq \left(\frac{\frac{m+M}{2}}{\sqrt{mM}} \right)^{2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m} \right\}} & (2.9) \\ &\leq \frac{(m + M)^2}{4mM} \end{aligned}$$

for any $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

We can state the following result connected to *Hölder's inequality*:

Proposition 2.4. *If $x_i \geq 0$, $y_i > 0$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and such that*

$$0 \leq k \leq \frac{x_i}{y_i^{q-1}} \leq K \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \quad (2.10)$$

then we have

$$0 \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} - \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} \right)^p \quad (2.11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{K - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}}{K - k}, \frac{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} - k}{K - k} \right\} \left[\frac{k^p + K^p}{2} - \left(\frac{k + K}{2} \right)^p \right] \\ &\leq 2 \left[\frac{k^p + K^p}{2} - \left(\frac{k + K}{2} \right)^p \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The inequalities (2.11) follow from (2.7) 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 2.5. Let $p > 1$, $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. Assume that

$$0 \leq k \leq \frac{a_i}{b_i^{q-1}} \leq K, \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}. \quad (2.12)$$

If $p_i > 0$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then for $x_i := p_i^{1/p} a_i$ and $y_i := p_i^{1/q} b_i$ we have

$$\frac{x_i}{y_i^{q-1}} = \frac{p_i^{1/p} a_i}{\left(p_i^{1/q} b_i\right)^{q-1}} = \frac{p_i^{1/p} a_i}{p_i^{(q-1)/q} b_i^{q-1}} = \frac{p_i^{1/p} a_i}{p_i^{1/p} b_i^{q-1}} = \frac{a_i}{b_i^{q-1}} \in [k, K]$$

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

If we write the inequality (2.11) for these choices, we get the weighted inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q} - \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i b_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q} \right)^p \quad (2.13) \\ &\leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{K - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i b_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q}}{K - k}, \frac{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i b_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q} - k}{K - k} \right\} \left[\frac{k^p + K^p}{2} - \left(\frac{k + K}{2} \right)^p \right] \\ &\leq 2 \left[\frac{k^p + K^p}{2} - \left(\frac{k + K}{2} \right)^p \right]. \end{aligned}$$

From this inequality we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i b_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q} \right)^p &\leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q} \quad (2.14) \\ &\leq \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i b_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q} \right)^p + 2 \left[\frac{k^p + K^p}{2} - \left(\frac{k + K}{2} \right)^p \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Taking into the second inequality of (2.14) the power $1/p$ and utilizing the elementary inequality

$$(\alpha + \beta)^{1/p} \leq \alpha^{1/p} + \beta^{1/p}, \alpha, \beta \geq 0 \text{ and } p > 1,$$

then we get the following additive reverse of Hölder inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i^p \right)^{1/p} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q \right)^{1/q} &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i b_i \\ &+ 2^{1/p} \left[\frac{k^p + K^p}{2} - \left(\frac{k+K}{2} \right)^p \right]^{1/p} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i^q, \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

provided

$$0 \leq k \leq \frac{a_i}{b_i^{q-1}} \leq K, \text{ for } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

and $p_i > 0$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

3. Power inequalities

We can state the following result for powers:

Theorem 3.1. *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*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left(\frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^p &\leq \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}} \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)}, \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

Proof. Let $m \geq 1$ and $0 < \alpha < R$, $0 < x \leq 1$. If we write the inequality (2.7) 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

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^{pj} - \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^j \right)^p \\ &\leq \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}} \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^j, \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j x^j \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (3.2) are convergent, then by letting $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.2) we deduce (2.15). \square

Corollary 3.2. 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

$$0 \leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} - \left(\frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^p \leq \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}} \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)}, \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right\} \quad (3.3)$$

and

$$0 \leq [f(v^p)]^{1/p} [f(u^q)]^{1/q} - f(uv) \leq \left(\frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}} \right)^{1/p} f(u^q). \quad (3.4)$$

Proof. The inequality (3.3) follows by taking into (3.1) $\alpha = u^q$ and $x = \frac{v}{u^{q/p}}$. The details are omitted.

Taking the power $1/p$ and using the inequality $(a + b)^{1/p} \leq a^{1/p} + b^{1/p}$, $p \geq 1$ we get from

$$\frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \leq \left(\frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right)^p + \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}}$$

the desired inequality (3.4). \square

Example 3.3. a) If we write the inequality (3.1) for the function $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$, $z \in D(0, 1)$, then we have

$$0 \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha x^p} - \left(\frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha x} \right)^p \leq \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}} \max \left\{ \frac{\alpha(1-x)}{1 - \alpha x}, \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha x} \right\} \quad (3.5)$$

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

b) If we write the inequality (3.1) for the function $\exp z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \exp[\alpha(x^p - 1)] - \exp[p\alpha(x - 1)] \\ &\leq \frac{2^{p-1} - 1}{2^{p-1}} \max \{ 1 - \exp[\alpha(x - 1)], \exp[\alpha(x - 1)] \} \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

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

4. Logarithmic inequalities

If we write the inequality (2.1) for the convex function $f: [m, M] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(t) = t \ln t$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \ln x_i - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \ln \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ &\leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m} \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

$$\times \left[\frac{m \ln m + M \ln M}{2} - \left(\frac{m+M}{2} \right) \ln \left(\frac{m+M}{2} \right) \right]$$

for any $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

This is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &\leq \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{w_i x_i}}{(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i)^{(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i)}} \\ &\leq \left[\frac{m^m M^M}{\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right)^{m+M}} \right]^{\max\left\{\frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M-m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M-m}\right\}} \end{aligned} \quad (4.2)$$

for any $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

If we take $M = 1$ and let $m \rightarrow 0+$ in the inequality (4.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \ln x_i - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \ln \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ &\leq \max \left\{ 1 - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right\} \ln 2, \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

for any $x_i \in (0, 1]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

This is equivalent to

$$1 \leq \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{w_i x_i}}{(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i)^{(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i)}} \leq 2^{\max\{1 - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\}}, \quad (4.4)$$

for any $x_i \in (0, 1]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

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 $0 < \alpha < R$, $p > 0$ and $x \in (0, 1)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p\alpha x^p f'(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln \left(\frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right) \\ &\leq \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)}, \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right\} \ln 2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

Proof. If $0 < \alpha < R$ and $m \geq 1$, then by (4.3) for $x_j = (x^p)^j$, we have

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \ln (x^p)^j \quad (4.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) \ln \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) \\
& \leq \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j, \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right\} \ln 2,
\end{aligned}$$

for $p > 0$ and $x \in (0, 1)$. This is equivalent to:

$$\begin{aligned}
0 & \leq \frac{p \ln(x)}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \quad (4.7) \\
& - \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) \ln \left(\frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) \\
& \leq \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j, \frac{1}{\sum_{k=0}^m a_k \alpha^k} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right\} \ln 2,
\end{aligned}$$

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

Since $0 < \alpha < R$, $x \in (0, 1)$ and $p > 0$ then $0 < \alpha x^p < R$ and the series

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \alpha^k, \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j$$

are convergent. Therefore by letting $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (4.7) we deduce (4.5). \square

Example 4.2. a) If we write the inequality (4.5) 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

$$\begin{aligned}
0 & \leq \frac{p \alpha x^p (1 - \alpha)}{(1 - \alpha x^p)^2} \ln x - \frac{1 - \alpha}{(1 - \alpha x^p)} \ln \left(\frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha x^p} \right) \quad (4.8) \\
& \leq \max \left\{ \frac{\alpha (1 - x^p)}{1 - \alpha x^p}, \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha x^p} \right\} \ln 2
\end{aligned}$$

b) If we write the inequality (4.5) for the function $\exp z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
0 & \leq [p \alpha x^p \ln x - \alpha (x^p - 1)] \exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] \quad (4.9) \\
& \leq \max \{ 1 - \exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)], \exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] \} \ln 2
\end{aligned}$$

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

5. Exponential inequalities

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

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \exp(x_i) - \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) \\ &\leq 2 \max\left\{\frac{M - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i}{M - m}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - m}{M - m}\right\} \\ &\quad \times \left[\frac{\exp(m) + \exp(M)}{2} - \exp\left[\left(\frac{m + M}{2}\right)\right]\right] \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

if $x_i \in [m, M]$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

If we take in (5.1) $M = 0$ and let $m \rightarrow -\infty$, then we get

$$0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \exp(x_i) - \exp\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) \leq 1 \quad (5.2)$$

for $x_i \leq 0$ and $w_i \geq 0$ ($i = 1, \dots, n$) with $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$.

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 $x \leq 0$ with $\exp(x) < R$ and $0 < \alpha < R$, then*

$$0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha \exp(x))}{f(\alpha)} - \exp\left[\frac{\alpha x f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)}\right] \leq 1. \quad (5.3)$$

Proof. If $0 < \alpha < R$ and $m \geq 1$, then by (5.2) for $x_j = jx$, we have

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j [\exp(x)]^j - \exp\left(\frac{x}{\sum_{j=0}^m a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^m j a_j \alpha^j\right) \leq 1 \quad (5.4)$$

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

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 5.2. 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 $x \leq 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 1$, that

$$0 \leq \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha \exp(x)} - \exp\left(\frac{\alpha x}{1 - \alpha}\right) \leq 1. \quad (5.5)$$

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

$$0 \leq \exp(\alpha [\exp(x) - 1]) - \exp(\alpha x) \leq 1 \quad (5.6)$$

for any $\alpha > 0$ and $x \leq 0$.

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