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NEW INEQUALITIES OF HERMITE-HADAMARD TYPE FOR MN-CONVEX FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. In this paper, we established new Hermite-Hadamard inequalities for MN-convex functions, where $M, N = A, G, H$. Some examples are given.

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1. Introduction

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex function, then the following inequality:

$$(*) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2}$$

is known as the Hermite-Hadamard inequality. In this paper we study several convexity, and deduce sharp integral inequalities similar to Hermite-Hadamard inequality. First we need the following definitions.

Definition 1.1. A function $M : (0, \infty) \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ called a mean if

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- 1) $M(x, y) = M(y, x)$,
- 2) $M(x, x) = x$,
- 3) $x < M(x, y) < y$, whenever $x < y$,
- 4) $M(ax, ay) = \alpha M(x, y)$ for all $\alpha > 0$.

Example 1.2.

- 1) The Arithmetic Mean $M(x, y) = A(x, y) = \frac{x+y}{2}$
- 2) The Geometric Mean $M(x, y) = G(x, y) = \sqrt{xy}$.
- 3) The Harmonic Mean $M(x, y) = H(x, y) = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}}$.
- 4) The Logarithmic Mean $M(x, y) = L(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-y}{\ln x - \ln y} & x \neq y \\ x & x = y \end{cases}$.

Definition 1.3. Let I be a subinterval of $(0, \infty)$ and $f : I \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a continuous function. f is called MN-convex if $f(M(x, y)) \leq N(f(x), f(y))$ for all $x, y \in I$.

Note that this definition reduces to usual convexity when $M = N = A$.

The authors in [1] theorem 2.4 showed that for $M, N = A, G, H$, the nine possible MN-convexity property reduces to a ordinary convexity by a simple change of variable.

Since f is continuous, this the MN-convexity of f , that is

$$f(M(x, y); 1-t, t) \leq N(f(x), f(y); 1-t, t)$$

for every $x, y \in I, t \in [0, 1]$ (see [6]). For example

(1) f is AG-convex, if for every $x, y \in I, t \in [0, 1]$

$$f(tx + (1-t)y) \leq f^t(x)f^{1-t}(y)$$

(2) f is GH-convex, if for every $x, y \in I, t \in [0, 1]$

$$f(x^t y^{1-t}) \leq \frac{f(x)f(y)}{(1-t)f(x) + t f(y)}$$

(3) f is HA-convex, if for every $x, y \in I, t \in [0, 1]$

$$f\left(\frac{xy}{tx + (1-t)y}\right) \leq tf(y) + (1-t)f(x)$$

and etc.

Remark 1.4. Since $H(x, y) \leq G(x, y) \leq A(x, y)$, it follows that

- (1) f is AH-convex $\implies f$ is AG-convex $\implies f$ is AA-convex.
- (2) f is GH-convex $\implies f$ is GG-convex $\implies f$ is GA-convex.
- (3) f is HH-convex $\implies f$ is HG-convex $\implies f$ is HA-convex.

Throughout of this paper $[a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$ and f is positive function.

2. Main results

Theorem 2.1. Let f be a AH-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:

$$f(A(a, b)) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{L(f(a), f(b))}$$

Proof. Since f is AH-convex, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \int_0^1 f(tb + (1-t)a) dt \leq \int_0^1 \frac{f(a)f(b)}{tf(a) + (1-t)f(b)} dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{f(a)f(b)}{(f(a) - f(b))t + f(b)} dt \\ &= \frac{f(a)f(b)}{f(a) - f(b)} \ln((f(a) - f(b))t + f(b)) \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \frac{f(a)f(b)}{f(a) - f(b)} (\ln f(a) - \ln f(b)) = \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{L(f(a), f(b))}. \end{aligned}$$

For the proof of left side, by AH-convexity of f , we have

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) &= f\left(\frac{(1-t)a + tb + (1-t)b + ta}{2}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{2f(ta + (1-t)b)f(tb + (1-t)a)}{f(ta + (1-t)b) + f(tb + (1-t)a)}. \end{aligned}$$

By integrating on $[0, 1]$ and change of variable we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(A(a, b)) &= f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \int_0^1 \frac{2f(ta + (1-t)b)f(tb + (1-t)a)}{f(ta + (1-t)b) + f(tb + (1-t)a)} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{2f(x)f(a+b-x)}{f(a+b-x) + f(x)} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Since $H(a, b) \leq A(a, b)$ and $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^b f(a+b-x)dx$, it follows that

$$\leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x) + f(a+b-x)}{2} dx = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx.$$

□

Theorem 2.2. *Let f be a AG-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:*

$$f(A(a, b)) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \leq L(f(a), f(b))$$

Proof. By change of variable and AG-convexity of f , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx &= \int_0^1 f(tb + (1-t)a)dt \leq \int_0^1 f'(b)f^{1-t}(a)dt \\ &= f(a) \int_0^1 \left(\frac{f(b)}{f(a)} \right)^t dt = \frac{f(a)}{\ln f(b) - \ln f(a)} \left(\frac{f(b)}{f(a)} \right)^t |_0^1 \\ &= \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{\ln f(b) - \ln f(a)} = L(f(b), f(a)). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, AG-convexity of f follows that

$$\begin{aligned} f(A(a, b)) &= f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) = f\left(\frac{ta + (1-t)b + tb + (1-t)a}{2}\right) \\ &\leq \sqrt{f(ta + (1-t)b)f(tb + (1-t)a)}. \end{aligned}$$

By integrating on $[0, 1]$ and Holder's inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) &\leq \int_0^1 \sqrt{f(ta + (1-t)b)} \sqrt{f(tb + (1-t)a)} dt \\ &\leq \left(\int_0^1 f(ta + (1-t)b) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_0^1 f(tb + (1-t)a) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx, \end{aligned}$$

because

$$\int_0^1 f(ta + (1-t)b) dt = \int_0^1 f(tb + (1-t)a) dt = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx.$$

□

Corollary 2.3. *If f is a AH-convex function on $[a, b]$, then*

$$f(A(a, b)) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{L(f(a), f(b))} \leq L(f(a), f(b)) \leq A(f(a), f(b)).$$

The proof is obvious by Theorems 2.1, 2.2 and Remark 1.4.

Theorem 2.4. Let f be a GH-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:

$$f(G(a, b)) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{L(a, b)}.$$

Proof. By change of variable and GH-convexity of f , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{f(a^{1-t}b^t)}{a^{1-t}b^t} a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^t \ln \frac{b}{a} dt = \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 f(b^t a^{1-t}) dt \\ &\leq \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 \frac{f(a)f(b)}{(1-t)f(b) + t f(a)} dt = \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 \frac{f(a)f(b)}{t(f(a) - f(b)) + f(b)} dt \\ &= \frac{f(a)f(b) \ln \frac{b}{a}}{f(a) - f(b)} \ln [t(f(a) - f(b)) + f(b)]|_0^1 \\ &= \frac{f(a)f(b) \ln \frac{b}{a}}{f(a) - f(b)} [\ln f(a) - \ln f(b)]. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{L(f(a), f(b))}.$$

On the other hand we have

$$f(\sqrt{ab}) = f\left(\sqrt{(a^{1-t}b^t)(a^t b^{1-t})}\right) \leq \frac{2f(a^{1-t}b^t)f(a^t b^{1-t})}{f(a^{1-t}b^t) + f(a^t b^{1-t})}.$$

By integrating on $[0, 1]$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \int_0^1 \frac{2f(a^{1-t}b^t)f(a^t b^{1-t})}{f(a^{1-t}b^t) + f(a^t b^{1-t})} dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(a^{1-t}b^t) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(a^t b^{1-t}) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Because $H(a, b) \leq A(a, b)$ and $\int_0^1 f(a^{1-t}b^t) dt = \int_0^1 f(a^t b^{1-t}) dt = \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx$. \square

Theorem 2.5. Let f be a GG-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:

- i) $\frac{G(a, b)f(G(a, b))}{L(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \frac{L(bf(b), af(a))}{L(a, b)}$
- ii) $f(\sqrt{ab}) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \leq L(f(a), f(b)).$

Proof. (i) By change of variable and GG-concavity of f we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^1 f(a^{1-t}b^t)a(\ln \frac{b}{a})(\frac{b}{a})^t dt \\
&\leq \frac{a \ln \frac{b}{a}}{b-a} \int_0^1 [f(a)]^{1-t}[f(b)]^t (\frac{b}{a})^t dt \\
&= \frac{af(a) \ln \frac{b}{a}}{b-a} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{bf(b)}{af(a)} \right)^t dt \\
&= \frac{af(a) \ln \frac{b}{a}}{b-a} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln \frac{bf(b)}{af(a)}} \left(\frac{bf(b)}{af(a)} \right)^t \Big|_0^1 \\
&= \frac{af(a)(\ln b - \ln a)}{(b-a)(\ln bf(b) - \ln af(a))} \cdot \frac{bf(b) - af(a)}{af(a)} \\
&= \frac{L(bf(b), af(a))}{L(a, b)}.
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \leq \frac{L(bf(b), af(a))}{L(a, b)}.$$

On the other hand, by easy calculations we see that

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = a \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 f(b^t a^{1-t}) (\frac{b}{a})^t dt = b \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 f(b^{1-t} a^t) (\frac{a}{b})^t dt,$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_a^b f(x)dx &= \left(\int_a^b f(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_a^b f(x)dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= \sqrt{ab} \ln \frac{b}{a} \left(\int_0^1 f(b^t a^{1-t}) (\frac{b}{a})^t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_0^1 f(b^{1-t} a^t) (\frac{a}{b})^t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

By using Holder's inequality, we get

$$\geq \sqrt{ab} \ln \frac{b}{a} \left(\int_0^1 \sqrt{f(b^t a^{1-t})} \cdot \sqrt{f(b^{1-t} a^t)} dt \right)$$

Since f is GG-convex, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
&\geq \sqrt{ab} \ln \frac{b}{a} \left(\int_0^1 f(\sqrt{b^t a^{1-t} b^{1-t} a^t}) dt \right) \\
&= \sqrt{ab} \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 f(\sqrt{ab}) dt = \sqrt{ab} \ln \frac{b}{a} f(\sqrt{ab}).
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx &\geq \frac{\sqrt{ab}(\ln b - \ln a)}{b-a} f(\sqrt{ab}) \\ &= \frac{G(a,b)}{L(a,b)} f(G(a,b)). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dt &= \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 f(a^{1-t} b^t) dx \leq \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 (f(a))^{1-t} (f(b))^t dt \\ &= (\ln \frac{b}{a}) f(a) \int_0^1 \left(\frac{f(b)}{f(a)} \right)^t dt = (\ln \frac{b}{a}) f(a) \frac{1}{\ln \frac{f(b)}{f(a)}} \left(\frac{f(b)}{f(a)} \right)^t \Big|_0^1 \\ &= (\ln \frac{b}{a}) \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{\ln f(b) - \ln f(a)}, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \leq \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{\ln f(b) - \ln f(a)} = L(f(a), f(b)).$$

On the other hand we have

$$f(\sqrt{ab}) = f(\sqrt{(b^t a^{1-t})(b^{1-t} a^t)}) \leq \sqrt{f(b^t a^{1-t}) f(b^{1-t} a^t)}$$

By integrating on $[0, 1]$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \int_0^1 \sqrt{f(b^t a^{1-t}) f(b^{1-t} a^t)} dt \leq \int_0^1 \frac{f(b^t a^{1-t}) + f(b^{1-t} a^t)}{2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(b^t a^{1-t}) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(b^{1-t} a^t) dt = \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx, \end{aligned}$$

because

$$\int_0^1 f(b^t a^{1-t}) dt = \int_0^1 f(a^t b^{1-t}) dt = \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx.$$

□

Theorem 2.6. Let f be a GA-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:

$$f(G(a,b)) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \leq A(f(a), f(b)).$$

Proof. By change of variable and GA-convexity of f , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{f(b^t a^{1-t})}{b^t a^{1-t}} a\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^t \ln \frac{b}{a} dt = \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 f(b^t a^{1-t}) dt \\ &\leq \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 (tf(b) + (1-t)f(a)) dt = \ln \frac{b}{a} \int_0^1 [(f(b) - f(a))t + f(a)] dt \\ &= \ln \frac{b}{a} \left[\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{2} + f(a) \right] = (\ln \frac{b}{a}) \frac{f(b) + f(a)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq A(f(a), f(b)).$$

On the other hand we have

$$f(\sqrt{ab}) = f\left(\sqrt{a^t b^{1-t} a^{1-t} b^t}\right) \leq \frac{f(a^t b^{1-t}) + f(a^{1-t} b^t)}{2}$$

Thus

$$f(\sqrt{ab}) \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(a^t b^{1-t}) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f(a^{1-t} b^t) dt$$

set $a^t b^{1-t} = x$, it follows that $dt = \frac{1}{\ln a - \ln b} \left(\frac{dx}{x}\right)$. So

$$\int_0^1 f(a^t b^{1-t}) dt = \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx.$$

By a similar way we see that

$$\int_0^1 f(a^{1-t} b^t) dt = \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx.$$

Hence

$$f(G(a, b)) = f(\sqrt{ab}) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx.$$

□

Corollary 2.7. If f is a GH-convex function on $[a, b]$, then

$$f(G(a, b)) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x} dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{L(a, b)} \leq L(f(a), f(b)) \leq A(f(a), f(b)).$$

The proof is clear by theorems 2.4, 2.5, 2.6 and Remark 1.4.

Theorem 2.8. Let f be a HH-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:

$$\frac{f(H(a, b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)L(f(a), f(b))}$$

Proof. By change of variable $x = \frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}$, $dx = \frac{ab(a-b)dt}{(tb + (1-t)a)^2}$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_1^0 f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) \frac{ab(a-b)}{(t(b-a)+a)^2} \frac{(t(b-a)+a)^2}{a^2 b^2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) dt \leq \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^1 \frac{f(a)f(b)}{tf(a)+(1-t)f(b)} dt \\ &= \frac{f(a)f(b)}{ab} \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{t(f(a)-f(b))+f(b)} \\ &= \frac{f(a)f(b)}{ab(f(a)-f(b))} \ln[t(f(a)-f(b))+f(b)] \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \frac{f(a)f(b)}{ab(f(a)-f(b))} (\ln f(a) - \ln f(b)) = \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)L(f(a), f(b))}. \end{aligned}$$

For the proof of left side we have

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{2ab}{a+b}\right) &= f\left(\frac{2}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}}\right) = f\left(\frac{2}{\left(\frac{t}{a} + \frac{1-t}{b}\right) + \left(\frac{t}{b} + \frac{1-t}{a}\right)}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{2f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right)}{f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) + f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) + \frac{1}{2} f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right) \end{aligned}$$

because $H(a, b) \leq A(a, b)$. By integrating we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{2ab}{a+b}\right) &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right) dt \\ &= \frac{ab}{2(b-a)} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx + \frac{ab}{2(b-a)} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx = \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2}, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\frac{f(H(a, b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx.$$

□

Theorem 2.9. Let f be a HG-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:

$$\frac{f(H(a, b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \frac{L(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)}.$$

Proof. By change of variable $x = \frac{ab}{at + (1-t)b}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{at + (1-t)b}\right) \frac{ab(b-a)}{(t(a-b)+b)^2} \frac{(t(a-b)+b)^2}{a^2 b^2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right) dt \leq \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^1 f'(b) f^{1-t}(a) dt \\ &= \frac{f(a)}{ab} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{f(b)}{f(a)}\right)^t dt = \frac{f(a)}{ab} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln f(b) - \ln f(a)} \left(\frac{f(b)}{f(a)}\right)^t \Big|_0^1 \\ &= \frac{f(a) - f(b)}{ab(\ln f(a) - \ln f(b))} = \frac{L(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{2ab}{a+b}\right) &= f\left(\frac{2}{\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b}}\right) = f\left(\frac{2}{\left(\frac{t}{a} + \frac{1-t}{b}\right) + \left(\frac{t}{b} + \frac{1-t}{a}\right)}\right) \\ &\leq \sqrt{f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) + \frac{1}{2} f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{2ab}{a+b}\right) &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{tb + (1-t)a}\right) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{ta + (1-t)b}\right) dt \\ &= \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\frac{f(H(a, b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \frac{L(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)}.$$

□

Theorem 2.10. Let f be a HA-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then the following inequalities hold:

$$\frac{f(H(a, b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \frac{A(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)}.$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx &= \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{ta+(1-t)b}\right) dt \\
&\leq \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^1 (tf(b)+(1-t)f(a)) dt \\
&= \frac{1}{ab} \int_0^1 [t(f(b)-f(a))+f(a)] dt \\
&= \frac{1}{ab} \left[\frac{f(b)-f(a)}{2} + f(a) \right] = \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2ab} \\
&= \frac{A(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)}.
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$f\left(\frac{2ab}{a+b}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}f\left(\frac{ab}{tb+(1-t)a}\right) + \frac{1}{2}f\left(\frac{ab}{ta+(1-t)b}\right).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
f\left(\frac{2ab}{a+b}\right) &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{tb+(1-t)a}\right) dt + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 f\left(\frac{ab}{ta+(1-t)b}\right) dt \\
&= \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2},
\end{aligned}$$

so

$$\frac{f(H(a, b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} \leq \frac{A(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)}.$$

□

Corollary 2.11. If f is a HH-convex function on $[a, b]$, then

$$\frac{f(H(a, b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)L(f(a), f(b))} \leq \frac{L(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)} \leq \frac{A(f(a), f(b))}{G^2(a, b)},$$

or

$$f(H(a, b)) \leq \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{f(x)}{x^2} dx \leq \frac{G^2(f(a), f(b))}{L(f(a), f(b))} \leq L(f(a), f(b)) \leq A(f(a), f(b)).$$

It is clear by Theorems 2.8, 2.9, 2.10 and Remark 1.4.

Example 2.12.

1) $f(x) = \Gamma(x)$ is AG-convex on $(0, \infty)$. By theorem 2.2 we have

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \Gamma(x) dx \leq \frac{\Gamma(b) - \Gamma(a)}{\ln \Gamma(b) - \ln \Gamma(a)}$$

Especially for $b = a + 1$ we get

$$\Gamma\left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right) \leq \int_a^{a+1} \Gamma(x) dx \leq \frac{(a-1)\Gamma(a)}{\ln a}$$

2) $f(x) = \Gamma(x)$ is GG-convex on $[1, \infty)$. By theorem 2.5 (i), (ii) we have

$$\frac{\sqrt{ab}\Gamma(\sqrt{ab})}{L(a,b)} \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \Gamma(x) dx \leq \frac{L(b\Gamma(b), a\Gamma(a))}{L(a,b)}$$

and

$$\Gamma(\sqrt{ab}) \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\Gamma(x)}{x} dx \leq L(\Gamma(a), \Gamma(b)).$$

3) $f(x) = \sec x$ is AH-convex on $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$. Theorem 2.1 follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \sec\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) &< \frac{3}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \frac{dx}{\cos x} < \frac{\left(\sec(0)\sec\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)(\ln \sec \frac{\pi}{3} - \ln \sec 0)\right)}{\sec\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) - \sec(0)} \\ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} &< \frac{3}{\pi} \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \sin x}{1 - \sin x} \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} < \frac{2(\ln 2 - \ln 1)}{2 - 1} = 2 \ln 2 \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} < \frac{3}{2\pi} \ln \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{2 - \sqrt{3}} < 2 \ln 2,$$

or

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} < \frac{3}{\pi} \ln(2 + \sqrt{3}) < 2 \ln 2.$$

4) $f(x) = \psi(x)$ ($\psi(x) = \frac{\Gamma'(x)}{\Gamma(x)}$) is GA-convex on $(0, \infty)$. Because $(x\psi'(x))' = \psi'(x) + x\psi''(x) < 0$, hence $x\psi'(x)$ is decreasing and $\psi(x)$ is GA-concave (see [1], Corollary 2.5 and [2], Lemma 2.9). So by theorem 2.6 we have

$$\psi(\sqrt{ab}) > \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\psi(x)}{x} dx > \frac{\psi(a) + \psi(b)}{2}$$

5) $f(x) = e^{x^2}$ is HH-convex on $[0, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}]$. Because $\frac{x^2 f'(x)}{f^2(x)} = \frac{2x^3}{e^{x^2}}$ and

$$\left(\frac{x^2 f'(x)}{f^2(x)} \right)' = \frac{2x^2(3 - 2x^2)}{e^{x^2}} > 0$$

(see [1], Corollary 2.5).

So by theorem 2.8 we have

$$e^{\left(\frac{2ab}{a^2+b^2}\right)^2} < \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{e^{x^2}}{x^2} dx < \frac{e^{a^2+b^2}(a^2-b^2)}{e^{a^2}-e^{b^2}} \quad (0 < a < b < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2})$$

6) $f(x) = \arctan x$ is HA-convex on $(0, \infty)$. Because

$$(x^2 f'(x))' = \left(\frac{x^2}{1+x^2} \right)' = \frac{2x}{(1+x^2)^2} > 0 \quad (\text{see [1], Corollary 2.5})$$

So by theorem 2.10 we have

$$\arctan \frac{2ab}{a^2+b^2} < \frac{ab}{b-a} \int_a^b \frac{\arctan x}{x^2} dx < \frac{\arctan a + \arctan b}{2}$$

By easy Calculations we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \frac{\arctan x}{x^2} dx &= \frac{\arctan a}{a} - \frac{\arctan b}{b} + \int_a^b \frac{dx}{x(1+x^2)} \\ &= \frac{\arctan a}{a} - \frac{\arctan b}{b} + (\ln x - \frac{1}{2} \ln(1+x^2))|_a^b \\ &= \frac{\arctan a}{a} - \frac{\arctan b}{b} + \ln \frac{b}{a} - \ln \frac{\sqrt{1+b^2}}{\sqrt{1+a^2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\arctan \frac{2ab}{a^2+b^2} < \frac{b \arctan a - a \arctan b}{b-a} + \frac{ab}{b-a} \ln \frac{b\sqrt{1+a^2}}{a\sqrt{1+b^2}} < \frac{\arctan a + \arctan b}{2}.$$

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