

## SOME REVERSES OF THE JENSEN INEQUALITY WITH APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. Two new reverses of the celebrated Jensen's inequality for convex functions in the general settings of the Lebesgue integral with applications for means, Hölder's inequality and  $f$ -divergence measures in information theory are given.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a measurable space consisting of a set  $\Omega$ , a  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  of parts of  $\Omega$  and a countably additive and positive measure  $\mu$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  with values in  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ . For a  $\mu$ -measurable function  $w : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $w(x) \geq 0$  for  $\mu$ -a.e. (almost every)  $x \in \Omega$ , consider the Lebesgue space

$$L_w(\Omega, \mu) := \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ is } \mu\text{-measurable and } \int_{\Omega} w(x) |f(x)| d\mu(x) < \infty\}.$$

For simplicity of notation we write everywhere in the sequel  $\int_{\Omega} w d\mu$  instead of  $\int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x)$ .

If  $f, g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are  $\mu$ -measurable functions and  $f, g, fg \in L_w(\Omega, \mu)$ , then we may consider the *Čebyšev functional*

$$(1.1) \quad T_w(f, g) := \int_{\Omega} w f g d\mu - \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \int_{\Omega} w g d\mu.$$

The following result is known in the literature as the *Grüss inequality*

$$(1.2) \quad |T_w(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{4} (\Gamma - \gamma) (\Delta - \delta),$$

provided

$$(1.3) \quad -\infty < \gamma \leq f(x) \leq \Gamma < \infty, \quad -\infty < \delta \leq g(x) \leq \Delta < \infty$$

for  $\mu$ -a.e. (almost every)  $x \in \Omega$ .

The constant  $\frac{1}{4}$  is sharp in the sense that it cannot be replaced by a smaller constant.

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If we assume that  $-\infty < \gamma \leq f(x) \leq \Gamma < \infty$  for  $\mu$ -a.e.  $x \in \Omega$ , then by the Grüss inequality for  $g = f$  and by the Schwarz's integral inequality, we have

$$(1.4) \quad \int_{\Omega} w \left| f - \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \right| d\mu \\ \leq \left[ \int_{\Omega} w f^2 d\mu - \left( \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{1}{2} (\Gamma - \gamma).$$

In order to provide a reverse of the celebrated Jensen's integral inequality for convex functions, S.S. Dragomir obtained in 2002 [12] the following result:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $\Phi : [m, M] \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable convex function on  $(m, M)$  and  $f : \Omega \rightarrow [m, M]$  so that  $\Phi \circ f, f, \Phi' \circ f, (\Phi' \circ f) f \in L_w(\Omega, \mu)$ , where  $w \geq 0$   $\mu$ -a.e. (almost everywhere) on  $\Omega$  with  $\int_{\Omega} w d\mu = 1$ . Then we have the inequality:*

$$(1.5) \quad 0 \leq \int_{\Omega} w (\Phi \circ f) d\mu - \Phi \left( \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \right) \\ \leq \int_{\Omega} w (\Phi' \circ f) f d\mu - \int_{\Omega} w (\Phi' \circ f) d\mu \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi'(M) - \Phi'(m)] \int_{\Omega} w \left| f - \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \right| d\mu.$$

For a generalization of the first inequality in (1.5) without the differentiability assumption and the derivative  $\Phi'$  replaced with a selection  $\varphi$  from the subdifferential  $\partial\Phi$ , see the paper [27] by C.P. Niculescu.

If  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$  and  $\Phi \circ f, f, \Phi' \circ f, (\Phi' \circ f) \cdot f \in L(\Omega, \mu)$ , then we have the inequality:

$$(1.6) \quad 0 \leq \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} (\Phi \circ f) d\mu - \Phi \left( \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu \right) \\ \leq \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} (\Phi' \circ f) f d\mu - \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} (\Phi' \circ f) d\mu \cdot \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi'(M) - \Phi'(m)] \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} \left| f - \frac{1}{\mu(\Omega)} \int_{\Omega} f d\mu \right| d\mu.$$

The following discrete inequality is of interest as well.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $\Phi : [m, M] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable convex function on  $(m, M)$ . 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 one has the counterpart of Jensen's weighted discrete inequality:*

$$(1.7) \quad 0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ \leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi'(M) - \Phi'(m)] \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \right|.$$

**Remark 1.** *We notice that the inequality between the first and the second term in (1.7) was proved in 1994 by Dragomir & Ionescu, see [15].*

On making use of the results (1.5) and (1.4), we can state the following string of reverse inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}
(1.8) \quad 0 &\leq \int_{\Omega} w(\Phi \circ f) d\mu - \Phi \left( \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \right) \\
&\leq \int_{\Omega} w(\Phi' \circ f) f d\mu - \int_{\Omega} w(\Phi' \circ f) d\mu \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi'(M) - \Phi'(m)] \int_{\Omega} w \left| f - \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \right| d\mu \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi'(M) - \Phi'(m)] \left[ \int_{\Omega} w f^2 d\mu - \left( \int_{\Omega} w f d\mu \right)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4} [\Phi'(M) - \Phi'(m)] (M - m),
\end{aligned}$$

provided that  $\Phi : [m, M] \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a differentiable convex function on  $(m, M)$  and  $f : \Omega \rightarrow [m, M]$  so that  $\Phi \circ f, f, \Phi' \circ f, (\Phi' \circ f) f \in L_w(\Omega, \mu)$ , where  $w \geq 0$   $\mu$ -a.e. on  $\Omega$  with  $\int_{\Omega} w d\mu = 1$ .

**Remark 2.** We notice that the inequality between the first, second and last term from (1.8) was proved in the general case of positive linear functionals in 2001 by S.S. Dragomir in [11].

Motivated by the above results, we establish in the current paper two new reverses of Jensen's integral inequality for a convex function. Some natural application for inequalities between means, reverses of Hölder's inequality and for the  $f$ -divergence measure that play an important role in information theory are given as well.

## 2. REVERSE INEQUALITIES

The following reverse of the Jensen's inequality holds:

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\Phi : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  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  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $\mu$ -measurable, satisfies the bounds

$$-\infty < m \leq f(x) \leq M < \infty \text{ for } \mu\text{-a.e. } x \in \Omega$$

and such that  $f, \Phi \circ f \in L_w(\Omega, \mu)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.1) \quad 0 &\leq \int_{\Omega} w(\Phi \circ f) d\mu - \Phi(\bar{f}_{\Omega, w}) \\
&\leq \frac{(M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w})(\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m)}{M - m} \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \Psi_{\Phi}(t; m, M) \\
&\leq (M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w})(\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m) \frac{\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)}{M - m} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4} (M - m) [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)],
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} := \int_{\Omega} w(x) f(x) d\mu(x) \in [m, M]$  and  $\Psi_{\Phi}(\cdot; m, M) : (m, M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$\Psi_{\Phi}(t; m, M) = \frac{\Phi(M) - \Phi(t)}{M - t} - \frac{\Phi(t) - \Phi(m)}{t - m}.$$

We also have the inequality

$$(2.2) \quad 0 \leq \int_{\Omega} w(\Phi \circ f) d\mu - \Phi(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}) \leq \frac{1}{4}(M-m)\Psi_{\Phi}(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}; m, M) \\ \leq \frac{1}{4}(M-m)[\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)],$$

provided that  $\bar{f}_{\Omega,w} \in (m, M)$ .

*Proof.* By the convexity of  $\Phi$  we have that

$$(2.3) \quad \int_{\Omega} w(x)\Phi(f(x))d\mu(x) - \Phi(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}) \\ = \int_{\Omega} w(x)\Phi\left[\frac{m(M-f(x))+M(f(x)-m)}{M-m}\right]d\mu(x) \\ - \Phi\left(\int_{\Omega} w(x)\left[\frac{m(M-f(x))+M(f(x)-m)}{M-m}\right]d\mu(x)\right) \\ \leq \int_{\Omega} \frac{(M-f(x))\Phi(m) + (f(x)-m)\Phi(M)}{M-m} w(x) d\mu(x) \\ - \Phi\left(\frac{m(M-\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}) + M(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}-m)}{M-m}\right) \\ = \frac{(M-\bar{f}_{\Omega,w})\Phi(m) + (\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}-m)\Phi(M)}{M-m} \\ - \Phi\left(\frac{m(M-\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}) + M(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}-m)}{M-m}\right) := B.$$

By denoting

$$\Delta_{\Phi}(t; m, M) := \frac{(t-m)\Phi(M) + (M-t)\Phi(m)}{M-m} - \Phi(t), \quad t \in [m, M]$$

we have

$$(2.4) \quad \Delta_{\Phi}(t; m, M) = \frac{(t-m)\Phi(M) + (M-t)\Phi(m) - (M-m)\Phi(t)}{M-m} \\ = \frac{(t-m)\Phi(M) + (M-t)\Phi(m) - (M-t+t-m)\Phi(t)}{M-m} \\ = \frac{(t-m)[\Phi(M) - \Phi(t)] - (M-t)[\Phi(t) - \Phi(m)]}{M-m} \\ = \frac{(M-t)(t-m)}{M-m}\Psi_{\Phi}(t; m, M)$$

for any  $t \in (m, M)$ .

Therefore we have the equality

$$(2.5) \quad B = \frac{(M-\bar{f}_{\Omega,w})(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}-m)}{M-m}\Psi_{\Phi}(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}; m, M)$$

provided that  $\bar{f}_{\Omega,w} \in (m, M)$ .

For  $\bar{f}_{\Omega,w} = m$  or  $\bar{f}_{\Omega,w} = M$  the inequality (2.1) is obvious. If  $\bar{f}_{\Omega,w} \in (m, M)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
\Psi_{\Phi}(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w}; m, M) &\leq \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \Psi_{\Phi}(t; m, M) \\
&= \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \left[ \frac{\Phi(M) - \Phi(t)}{M - t} - \frac{\Phi(t) - \Phi(m)}{t - m} \right] \\
&\leq \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \left[ \frac{\Phi(M) - \Phi(t)}{M - t} \right] + \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \left[ -\frac{\Phi(t) - \Phi(m)}{t - m} \right] \\
&= \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \left[ \frac{\Phi(M) - \Phi(t)}{M - t} \right] - \inf_{t \in (m, M)} \left[ \frac{\Phi(t) - \Phi(m)}{t - m} \right] \\
&= \Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)
\end{aligned}$$

which by (2.3) and (2.5) produces the desired result (2.1).

Since, obviously

$$\frac{(M - \bar{f}_{\Omega,w})(\bar{f}_{\Omega,w} - m)}{M - m} \leq \frac{1}{4}(M - m),$$

then by (2.3) and (2.5) we deduce the first inequality (2.2). The second part is clear.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $\Phi : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous convex function on the interval of real numbers  $I$  and  $m, M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m < M$  with  $[m, M] \subset \overset{\circ}{I}$ . If  $x_i \in I$  and  $p_i \geq 0$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ , then we have the inequalities*

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.6) \quad 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi(\bar{x}_p) \\
&\leq (M - \bar{x}_p)(\bar{x}_p - m) \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \Psi_{\Phi}(t; m, M) \\
&\leq (M - \bar{x}_p)(\bar{x}_p - m) \frac{\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)}{M - m} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4}(M - m) [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)],
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.7) \quad 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi(\bar{x}_p) \leq \frac{1}{4}(M - m) \Psi_{\Phi}(\bar{x}_p; m, M) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4}(M - m) [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)],
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{x}_p := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \in I$ .

**Remark 3.** *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 known that the following arithmetic mean-geometric mean inequality holds true

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

Applying the inequality between the first and third term in (2.6) for the convex function  $\Phi(t) = -\ln t, t > 0$  we have

$$(2.8) \quad 1 \leq \frac{A_n(w, x)}{G_n(w, x)} \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{Mm} (M - A_n(w, x)) (A_n(w, x) - m) \right] \\ \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{4} \frac{(M - m)^2}{mM} \right],$$

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

Also, if we apply the inequality (2.7) for the same function  $\Phi$  we get that

$$(2.9) \quad 1 \leq \frac{A_n(w, x)}{G_n(w, x)} \\ \leq \left[ \left( \frac{M}{A_n(w, x)} \right)^{M - A_n(w, x)} \left( \frac{m}{A_n(w, x)} \right)^{A_n(w, x) - m} \right]^{\frac{1}{4}(M - m)} \\ \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{4} \frac{(M - m)^2}{mM} \right].$$

The following result also holds

**Theorem 3.** *With the assumptions of Theorem 2, we have the inequalities*

$$(2.10) \quad 0 \leq \int_{\Omega} w (\Phi \circ f) d\mu(x) - \Phi(\bar{f}_{\Omega, w}) \\ \leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w}}{M - m}, \frac{\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m}{M - m} \right\} \left[ \frac{\Phi(m) + \Phi(M)}{2} - \Phi \left( \frac{m + M}{2} \right) \right] \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \max \{ M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w}, \bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m \} [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)].$$

*Proof.* First of all, we recall the following result obtained by the author in [14] that provides a refinement and a reverse for the weighted Jensen's discrete inequality:

$$(2.11) \quad n \min_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \{p_i\} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \Phi(x_i) - \Phi \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \right] \\ \leq \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi \left( \frac{1}{P_n} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \right) \\ n \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \{p_i\} \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \Phi(x_i) - \Phi \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \right],$$

where  $\Phi : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a convex function defined on the convex subset  $C$  of the linear space  $X$ ,  $\{x_i\}_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}}$  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 (2.11) that

$$(2.12) \quad \begin{aligned} & 2 \min \{t, 1-t\} \left[ \frac{\Phi(x) + \Phi(y)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \right] \\ & \leq t\Phi(x) + (1-t)\Phi(y) - \Phi(tx + (1-t)y) \\ & \leq 2 \max \{t, 1-t\} \left[ \frac{\Phi(x) + \Phi(y)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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

If we use the second inequality in (2.12) for the convex function  $\Phi : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $m, M \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m < M$  with  $[m, M] \subset \tilde{I}$ , we have for  $t = \frac{M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w}}{M - m}$  that

$$(2.13) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{(M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w})\Phi(m) + (\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m)\Phi(M)}{M - m} \\ & - \Phi\left(\frac{m(M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w}) + M(\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m)}{M - m}\right) \\ & \leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w}}{M - m}, \frac{\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m}{M - m} \right\} \\ & \times \left[ \frac{\Phi(m) + \Phi(M)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Utilizing the inequality (2.3) and (2.13) we deduce the first inequality in (2.10).

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\frac{\Phi(m) + \Phi(M)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right)}{M - m} \\ & = \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{\Phi(M) - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right)}{M - \frac{m+M}{2}} - \frac{\Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right) - \Phi(m)}{\frac{m+M}{2} - m} \right] \end{aligned}$$

and, by the gradient inequality, we have that

$$\frac{\Phi(M) - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right)}{M - \frac{m+M}{2}} \leq \Phi'_-(M)$$

and

$$\frac{\Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right) - \Phi(m)}{\frac{m+M}{2} - m} \geq \Phi'_+(m),$$

then we get

$$(2.14) \quad \frac{\frac{\Phi(m) + \Phi(M)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right)}{M - m} \leq \frac{1}{4} [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)].$$

On making use of (2.13) and (2.14) we deduce the last part of (2.10).  $\square$

**Corollary 3.** *With the assumptions in Corollary 2, we have the inequalities*

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi(\bar{x}_p) \\ &\leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - \bar{x}_p}{M - m}, \frac{\bar{x}_p - m}{M - m} \right\} \left[ \frac{\Phi(m) + \Phi(M)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right) \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \max \{M - \bar{x}_p, \bar{x}_p - m\} [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)]. \end{aligned}$$

**Remark 4.** *Since, obviously,*

$$\frac{M - \bar{f}_{\Omega, w}}{M - m}, \frac{\bar{f}_{\Omega, w} - m}{M - m} \leq 1$$

*then we obtain from the first inequality in (2.10) the simpler, however coarser inequality*

$$(2.16) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \int_{\Omega} w(\Phi \circ f) d\mu(x) - \Phi(\bar{f}_{\Omega, w}) \\ &\leq 2 \left[ \frac{\Phi(m) + \Phi(M)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

*We notice that the discrete version of this result, namely*

$$(2.17) \quad 0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi(\bar{x}_p) \leq 2 \left[ \frac{\Phi(m) + \Phi(M)}{2} - \Phi\left(\frac{m+M}{2}\right) \right]$$

*was obtained in 2008 by S. Simic in [33].*

**Remark 5.** *With the assumptions in Remark 3 we have the following reverse of the arithmetic mean-geometric mean inequality*

$$(2.18) \quad 1 \leq \frac{A_n(w, x)}{G_n(w, x)} \leq \left( \frac{A(m, M)}{G(m, M)} \right)^{2 \max \left\{ \frac{M - A_n(w, x)}{M - m}, \frac{A_n(w, x) - m}{M - m} \right\}},$$

*where  $A(m, M)$  is the arithmetic mean while  $G(m, M)$  is the geometric mean of the positive numbers  $m$  and  $M$ .*

### 3. APPLICATIONS FOR THE HÖLDER INEQUALITY

It is well known that if  $f \in L_p(\Omega, \mu)$ ,  $p > 1$ , where the Lebesgue space  $L_p(\Omega, \mu)$  is defined by

$$L_p(\Omega, \mu) := \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f \text{ is } \mu\text{-measurable and } \int_{\Omega} |f(x)|^p d\mu(x) < \infty\}$$

and  $g \in L_q(\Omega, \mu)$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  then  $fg \in L(\Omega, \mu) := L_1(\Omega, \mu)$  and the Hölder inequality holds true

$$\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{1/q}.$$

Assume that  $p > 1$ . If  $h : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $\mu$ -measurable, satisfies the bounds

$$-\infty < m \leq |h(x)| \leq M < \infty \text{ for } \mu\text{-a.e. } x \in \Omega$$



and is such that  $h, |h|^p \in L_w(\Omega, \mu)$ , for a  $\mu$ -measurable function  $w : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $w(x) \geq 0$  for  $\mu$ -a.e.  $x \in \Omega$  and  $\int_{\Omega} w d\mu > 0$ , then from (2.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.1) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h|^p w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} - \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h| w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} \right)^p \\
&\leq \frac{(M - \overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w}) (\overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w} - m)}{M - m} B_p(m, M) \\
&\leq p \frac{M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}}{M - m} (M - \overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w}) (\overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w} - m) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4} p (M - m) (M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w} := \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h| w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} \in [m, M]$  and  $\Psi_p(\cdot; m, M) : (m, M) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$\Psi_p(t; m, M) = \frac{M^p - t^p}{M - t} - \frac{t^p - m^p}{t - m}$$

while

$$(3.2) \quad B_p(m, M) := \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \Psi_p(t; m, M).$$

From (2.2) we also have the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h|^p w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} - \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h| w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} \right)^p \leq \frac{1}{4} (M - m) \Psi_p(\overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w}; m, M) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4} p (M - m) (M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 1.** *If  $f \in L_p(\Omega, \mu)$ ,  $g \in L_q(\Omega, \mu)$  with  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and there exists the constants  $\gamma, \Gamma > 0$  and such that*

$$\gamma \leq \frac{|f|}{|g|^{q-1}} \leq \Gamma \quad \mu\text{-a.e on } \Omega,$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.4) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{\int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^p \\
&\leq \frac{B_p(\gamma, \Gamma)}{\Gamma - \gamma} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right) \\
&\leq p \frac{\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}}{\Gamma - \gamma} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4} p (\Gamma - \gamma) (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}),
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.5) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{\int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^p \\
&\leq \frac{1}{4} (\Gamma - \gamma) \Psi_p \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu}; \gamma, \Gamma \right) \leq \frac{1}{4} p (\Gamma - \gamma) (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}),
\end{aligned}$$

where  $B_p(\cdot, \cdot)$  and  $\Psi_p(\cdot; \cdot, \cdot)$  are defined above.

*Proof.* The inequalities (3.4) and (3.5) follow from (3.1) and (3.3) by choosing

$$h = \frac{|f|}{|g|^{q-1}} \text{ and } w = |g|^q.$$

The details are omitted.  $\square$

**Remark 6.** We observe that for  $p = q = 2$  we have  $\Psi_2(t; \gamma, \Gamma) = \Gamma - \gamma = B_2(\gamma, \Gamma)$  and then from the first inequality in (3.4) we get the following reverse of the Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz inequality:

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} |g|^2 d\mu \int_{\Omega} |f|^2 d\mu - \left( \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \right)^2 \\ & \leq \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^2 d\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^2 d\mu} - \gamma \right) \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^2 d\mu \right)^2 \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4} (\Gamma - \gamma)^2 \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^2 d\mu \right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

provided that  $f, g \in L_2(\Omega, \mu)$ , and there exists the constants  $\gamma, \Gamma > 0$  such that

$$\gamma \leq \frac{|f|}{|g|} \leq \Gamma \text{ } \mu\text{-a.e on } \Omega.$$

**Corollary 4.** With the assumptions of Proposition 1 we have the following additive reverses of the Hölder inequality

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 & \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{1/q} - \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \\ & \leq \left[ \frac{B_p(\gamma, \Gamma)}{\Gamma - \gamma} \right]^{1/p} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^{1/p} \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right)^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \\ & \leq p^{1/p} \left( \frac{\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}}{\Gamma - \gamma} \right)^{1/p} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^{1/p} \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right)^{1/p} \\ & \quad \times \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4^{1/p}} p^{1/p} (\Gamma - \gamma)^{1/p} (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1})^{1/p} \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 & \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{1/q} - \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4^{1/p}} (\Gamma - \gamma)^{1/p} \Psi_p^{1/p} \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu}; m, M \right) \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4^{1/p}} p^{1/p} (\Gamma - \gamma)^{1/p} (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1})^{1/p} \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \end{aligned}$$

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

*Proof.* By multiplying in (3.4) with  $(\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu)^p$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{p-1} - \left( \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \right)^p \\
& \leq \frac{B_p(\gamma, \Gamma)}{\Gamma - \gamma} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right) \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^p \\
& \leq p \frac{\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}}{\Gamma - \gamma} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right) \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^p \\
& \leq \frac{1}{4} p (\Gamma - \gamma) (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}) \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^p,
\end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent with

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.9) \quad & \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{p-1} \\
& \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \right)^p + \frac{B_p(\gamma, \Gamma)}{\Gamma - \gamma} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right) \\
& \quad \times \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^p \\
& \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \right)^p + p \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right) \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right) \\
& \quad \times \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^p \frac{\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}}{\Gamma - \gamma} \\
& \leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \right)^p + \frac{1}{4} p (\Gamma - \gamma) (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}) \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^p.
\end{aligned}$$

Taking the power  $1/p$  with  $p > 1$  and employing the following elementary inequality that state that for  $p > 1$  and  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ ,

$$(\alpha + \beta)^{1/p} \leq \alpha^{1/p} + \beta^{1/p}$$

we have from the first part of (3.9) that

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.10) \quad & \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \\
& \leq \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu + \left[ \frac{B_p(\gamma, \Gamma)}{\Gamma - \gamma} \right]^{1/p} \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^{1/p} \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right)^{1/p} \\
& \quad \times \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu
\end{aligned}$$

and since  $1 - \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{q}$  we get from (3.10) the first inequality in (3.7). The rest is obvious.

The inequality (3.8) can be proved in a similar manner, however the details are omitted.  $\square$

If  $h : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  $\mu$ -measurable, satisfies the bounds

$$-\infty < m \leq |h(x)| \leq M < \infty \text{ for } \mu\text{-a.e. } x \in \Omega$$

and is such that  $h, |h|^p \in L_w(\Omega, \mu)$ , for a  $\mu$ -measurable function  $w : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , with  $w(x) \geq 0$  for  $\mu$ -a.e.  $x \in \Omega$  and  $\int_{\Omega} w d\mu > 0$ , then from (2.10) we also have the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.11) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h|^p w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} - \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h| w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} \right)^p \\
&\leq 2 \left[ \frac{m^p + M^p}{2} - \left( \frac{m + M}{2} \right)^p \right] \max \left\{ \frac{M - \overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w}}{M - m}, \frac{\overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w} - m}{M - m} \right\} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} p (M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}) \max \left\{ M - \overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w}, \overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w} - m \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

where, as above,  $\overline{|h|}_{\Omega, w} := \frac{\int_{\Omega} |h| w d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} w d\mu} \in [m, M]$ .

From the inequality (3.11) we can state:

**Proposition 2.** *With the assumptions of Proposition 1 we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.12) \quad 0 &\leq \frac{\int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^p \\
&\leq 2 \cdot \frac{\frac{\gamma^p + \Gamma^p}{2} - \left( \frac{\gamma + \Gamma}{2} \right)^p}{\Gamma - \gamma} \max \left\{ \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu}, \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right\} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} p (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1}) \max \left\{ \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu}, \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, the following additive reverse of the Hölder inequality can be stated as well:

**Corollary 5.** *With the assumptions of Proposition 1 we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.13) \quad 0 &\leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{1/q} - \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \\
&\leq 2^{1/p} \cdot \left( \frac{\frac{\gamma^p + \Gamma^p}{2} - \left( \frac{\gamma + \Gamma}{2} \right)^p}{\Gamma - \gamma} \right)^{1/p} \\
&\quad \times \max \left\{ \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^{1/p}, \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right)^{1/p} \right\} \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2^{1/p}} p^{1/p} \max \left\{ \left( \Gamma - \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} \right)^{1/p}, \left( \frac{\int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu}{\int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu} - \gamma \right)^{1/p} \right\} \\
&\quad \times (\Gamma^{p-1} - \gamma^{p-1})^{1/p} \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu.
\end{aligned}$$

**Remark 7.** *As a simpler, however coarser inequality we have the following result:*

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &\leq \left( \int_{\Omega} |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu \right)^{1/q} - \int_{\Omega} |fg| d\mu \\
&\leq 2^{1/p} \cdot \left[ \frac{\gamma^p + \Gamma^p}{2} - \left( \frac{\gamma + \Gamma}{2} \right)^p \right]^{1/p} \int_{\Omega} |g|^q d\mu,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $f$  and  $g$  are as above.

4. APPLICATIONS FOR  $f$ -DIVERGENCE

One of the important issues in many applications of Probability Theory is finding an appropriate measure of *distance* (or *difference* or *discrimination*) between two probability distributions. A number of divergence measures for this purpose have been proposed and extensively studied by Jeffreys [19], Kullback and Leibler [24], Rényi [30], Havrda and Charvat [17], Kapur [22], Sharma and Mittal [32], Burbea and Rao [4], Rao [29], Lin [25], Csiszár [7], Ali and Silvey [1], Vajda [39], Shioya and Da-te [34] and others (see for example [26] and the references therein).

These measures have been applied in a variety of fields such as: anthropology [29], genetics [26], finance, economics, and political science [31], [37], [38], biology [28], the analysis of contingency tables [16], approximation of probability distributions [6], [23], signal processing [20], [21] and pattern recognition [3], [5]. A number of these measures of distance are specific cases of Csiszár  $f$ -divergence and so further exploration of this concept will have a flow on effect to other measures of distance and to areas in which they are applied.

Assume that a set  $\Omega$  and the  $\sigma$ -finite measure  $\mu$  are given. Consider the set of all probability densities on  $\mu$  to be  $\mathcal{P} := \{p|p : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, p(x) \geq 0, \int_{\Omega} p(x) d\mu(x) = 1\}$ . The Kullback-Leibler divergence [24] is well known among the information divergences. It is defined as:

$$(4.1) \quad D_{KL}(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} p(x) \ln \left[ \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \right] d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P},$$

where  $\ln$  is to base  $e$ .

In Information Theory and Statistics, various divergences are applied in addition to the Kullback-Leibler divergence. These are the: *variation distance*  $D_v$ , *Hellinger distance*  $D_H$  [18],  $\chi^2$ -*divergence*  $D_{\chi^2}$ ,  $\alpha$ -*divergence*  $D_{\alpha}$ , *Bhattacharyya distance*  $D_B$  [2], *Harmonic distance*  $D_{H_a}$ , *Jeffrey's distance*  $D_J$  [19], *triangular discrimination*  $D_{\Delta}$  [36], etc... They are defined as follows:

$$(4.2) \quad D_v(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} |p(x) - q(x)| d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P};$$

$$(4.3) \quad D_H(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} \left| \sqrt{p(x)} - \sqrt{q(x)} \right| d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P};$$

$$(4.4) \quad D_{\chi^2}(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} p(x) \left[ \left( \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} \right)^2 - 1 \right] d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P};$$

$$(4.5) \quad D_{\alpha}(p, q) := \frac{4}{1 - \alpha^2} \left[ 1 - \int_{\Omega} [p(x)]^{\frac{1-\alpha}{2}} [q(x)]^{\frac{1+\alpha}{2}} d\mu(x) \right], \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P};$$

$$(4.6) \quad D_B(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} \sqrt{p(x)q(x)} d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P};$$

$$(4.7) \quad D_{H_a}(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} \frac{2p(x)q(x)}{p(x) + q(x)} d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P};$$

$$(4.8) \quad D_J(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} [p(x) - q(x)] \ln \left[ \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \right] d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P};$$

$$(4.9) \quad D_{\Delta}(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} \frac{[p(x) - q(x)]^2}{p(x) + q(x)} d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P}.$$

For other divergence measures, see the paper [22] by Kapur or the book on line [35] by Taneja.

Csiszár  $f$ -divergence is defined as follows [8]

$$(4.10) \quad I_f(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} p(x) f\left[\frac{q(x)}{p(x)}\right] d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P},$$

where  $f$  is convex on  $(0, \infty)$ . It is assumed that  $f(u)$  is zero and strictly convex at  $u = 1$ . By appropriately defining this convex function, various divergences are derived. Most of the above distances (4.1) – (4.9), are particular instances of Csiszár  $f$ -divergence. There are also many others which are not in this class (see for example [35]). For the basic properties of Csiszár  $f$ -divergence see [8], [9] and [39].

The following result holds:

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function with the property that  $f(1) = 0$ . Assume that  $p, q \in \mathcal{P}$  and there exists the constants  $0 < r < 1 < R < \infty$  such that*

$$(4.11) \quad r \leq \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} \leq R \text{ for } \mu\text{-a.e. } x \in \Omega.$$

Then we have the inequalities

$$(4.12) \quad \begin{aligned} I_f(p, q) &\leq \frac{(R-1)(1-r)}{R-r} \sup_{t \in (r, R)} \Psi_f(t; r, R) \\ &\leq (R-1)(1-r) \frac{f'_-(R) - f'_+(r)}{R-r} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4}(R-r) [f'_-(R) - f'_+(r)], \end{aligned}$$

and  $\Psi_f(\cdot; r, R) : (r, R) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$\Psi_f(t; r, R) = \frac{f(R) - f(t)}{R-t} - \frac{f(t) - f(r)}{t-r}.$$

We also have the inequality

$$(4.13) \quad \begin{aligned} I_f(p, q) &\leq \frac{1}{4}(R-r) \frac{f(R)(1-r) + f(r)(R-1)}{(R-1)(1-r)} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4}(R-r) [f'_-(R) - f'_+(r)]. \end{aligned}$$

The proof follows by Theorem 2 by choosing  $w(x) = p(x)$ ,  $f(x) = \frac{q(x)}{p(x)}$ ,  $m = r$  and  $M = R$  and performing the required calculations. The details are omitted.

Utilising the same approach and Theorem 3 we can also state that:

**Proposition 4.** *With the assumptions of Proposition 3 we have*

$$(4.14) \quad \begin{aligned} I_f(p, q) &\leq 2 \max\left\{\frac{R-1}{R-r}, \frac{1-r}{R-r}\right\} \left[\frac{f(r) + f(R)}{2} - f\left(\frac{r+R}{2}\right)\right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \max\{R-1, 1-r\} [f'_-(R) - f'_+(r)]. \end{aligned}$$

The above results can be utilized to obtain various inequalities for the divergence measures in Information Theory that are particular instances of  $f$ -divergence.

Consider the Kullback-Leibler divergence

$$D_{KL}(p, q) := \int_{\Omega} p(x) \ln \left[ \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} \right] d\mu(x), \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P},$$

which is an  $f$ -divergence for the convex function  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(t) = -\ln t$ .

If  $p, q \in \mathcal{P}$  such that there exists the constants  $0 < r < 1 < R < \infty$  with

$$(4.15) \quad r \leq \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} \leq R \text{ for } \mu\text{-a.e. } x \in \Omega.$$

then we get from (4.12) that

$$(4.16) \quad D_{KL}(p, q) \leq \frac{(R-1)(1-r)}{rR},$$

from (4.13) that

$$D_{KL}(p, q) \leq \frac{1}{4} (R-r) \ln \left[ R^{-\frac{1}{R-1}} r^{-\frac{1}{1-r}} \right]$$

and from (4.14) that

$$(4.17) \quad \begin{aligned} D_{KL}(p, q) &\leq 2 \max \left\{ \frac{R-1}{R-r}, \frac{1-r}{R-r} \right\} \ln \left( \frac{A(r, R)}{G(r, R)} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \max \{R-1, 1-r\} \left( \frac{R-r}{rR} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $A(r, R)$  is the arithmetic mean and  $G(r, R)$  is the geometric mean of the positive numbers  $r$  and  $R$ .

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