

**SOME INTEGRAL INEQUALITIES OF HERMITE-HADAMARD
TYPE FOR GG -CONVEX FUNCTIONS**

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ABSTRACT. Some related integral inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for GG -convex functions defined on positive intervals are given. Applications for exponential integral mean are also provided.

1. INTRODUCTION

We recall first some facts on GG -convex functions and Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities.

The function $f : I \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is called GG -convex on the interval I of real umbers \mathbb{R} if [4]

$$(1.1) \quad f(x^{1-\lambda}y^\lambda) \leq [f(x)]^{1-\lambda} [f(y)]^\lambda$$

for any $x, y \in I$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$. If the inequality is reversed in (1.1) then the function is called GG -concave.

This concept was introduced in 1928 by P. Montel [50], however, the roots of the research in this area can be traced long before him [51].

It is easy to see that [51], the function $f : I \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is GG -convex if and only if the the function $g : \ln I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g = \ln \circ f \circ \exp$ is convex on $\ln I$.

It is known that [51] every real analytic function $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n x^n$ with non-negative coefficients c_n is a GG -convex function on $(0, r)$, where r is the radius of convergence for f . Therefore functions like \exp , \sinh , \cosh are GG -convex on \mathbb{R} , \tan , \sec , \csc , $\frac{1}{x} - \cot x$ are GG -convex on $(0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ and $\frac{1}{1-x}$, $\ln \frac{1}{1-x}$ or $\frac{1+x}{1-x}$ are GG -convex on $(0, 1)$. Also, Γ function is a strictly GG -convex function on $[1, \infty)$.

It is also known that [51], if a function f is GG -convex, then so is $x^\alpha f^\beta(x)$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and all $\beta > 0$. If f is continuous, and one of the functions $f(x)^x$ and $f(e^{1/\log x})$ is GG -convex, then so is the other.

As pointed out in [51], the *Lobachevski's function*

$$L(x) := - \int_0^x \ln(\cos t) dt$$

is GG -convex on $(0, \pi/2)$ and the *integral sine*

$$\text{Si}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\sin t}{t} dt$$

is GG -concave on $(0, \pi/2)$.

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We recall the classical Hermite-Hadamard inequality that states that

$$(1.2) \quad f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}$$

for any convex function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

For related results, see [1]-[20], [23]-[28], [29]-[38] and [39]-[54].

We define the *logarithmic mean* $L(a, b)$ of two positive numbers a, b by

$$L(a, b) := \begin{cases} \frac{b-a}{\ln b - \ln a} & \text{if } b \neq a \\ b & \text{if } b = a. \end{cases}$$

In 2010, Zhang and Zheng [63] proved the following inequality for a GG -convex function f on $[a, b]$:

$$(1.3) \quad \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \leq L(af(a), bf(b)).$$

In 2011, Mitroi and Spiridon [49] established amongst other the following double inequality:

$$(1.4) \quad f(I(a, b)) \leq \exp\left(\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \ln f(t) dt\right) \leq [f(b)]^{\frac{b-L(a,b)}{b-a}} [f(a)]^{\frac{L(a,b)-a}{b-a}},$$

where $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is GG -convex and $I(a, b)$ is the *identric mean* of positive numbers a, b

$$I(a, b) := \begin{cases} \frac{1}{e} \left(\frac{b^b}{a^a}\right)^{\frac{1}{b-a}} & \text{if } b \neq a \\ b & \text{if } b = a. \end{cases}$$

In 2013, İşcan [42] also proved the following result:

$$(1.5) \quad \begin{aligned} f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} \sqrt{f(t) f\left(\frac{ab}{t}\right)} dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \leq L(f(a), f(b)) \end{aligned}$$

provided that $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is GG -convex.

In the recent paper [27], by using some results for GA -convex functions from [25], we proved amongst others the following results:

Theorem 1. *Let $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$. Then for any $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ we have*

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \left[f\left(a^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}} b^{\frac{\lambda+1}{2}}\right) \right]^{1-\lambda} \left[f\left(a^{\frac{2-\lambda}{2}} b^{\frac{\lambda}{2}}\right) \right]^{\lambda} \\ &\leq \exp\left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt\right) \\ &\leq \sqrt{f(a^{1-\lambda} b^{\lambda}) [f(b)]^{1-\lambda} [f(a)]^{\lambda}} \leq \sqrt{f(a) f(b)} \end{aligned}$$

and

Theorem 2. Let $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$. Then we have the inequalities

$$(1.7) \quad 1 \leq \frac{\sqrt{f(a)f(b)}}{\exp\left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(s)}{s} ds\right)} \leq \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\frac{1}{8}} \left(\frac{f'_-(b)b}{f(b)} - \frac{f'_+(a)a}{f(a)}\right)$$

and

$$(1.8) \quad 1 \leq \frac{\exp\left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(s)}{s} ds\right)}{f(\sqrt{ab})} \leq \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)^{\frac{1}{8}} \left(\frac{f'_-(b)b}{f(b)} - \frac{f'_+(a)a}{f(a)}\right).$$

Motivated by the above results we establish in this paper some new inequalities of Hermite-Hadamard type for GG -convex functions. Applications for exponential integral mean are also provided.

2. NEW RESULTS

We start with the following inequality for powers of GG -convex functions:

Theorem 3. Let $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$.
(i) If $p \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$, then we have

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt\right] \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} f^p(t) f^p\left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{t}\right) dt\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} f^{2p}(t) dt\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ &\leq L(f(a), f(b)). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) For $p > 0$, but $p \neq \frac{1}{2}$, we also have

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt\right] \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} f^p(t) f^p\left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{t}\right) dt\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} f^{2p}(t) dt\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\ &\leq [L_{2p-1}(f(a), f(b))]^{1-\frac{1}{2p}} [L(f(a), f(b))]^{\frac{1}{2p}}. \end{aligned}$$

If we take $p = \frac{1}{4}$ in (2.1), then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.3) \quad f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \exp \left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \\
 &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} \sqrt[4]{f(t) f\left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{t}\right)} dt \right)^2 \\
 &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} \sqrt{f(t)} dt \right)^2 \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \leq L(f(a), f(b)).
 \end{aligned}$$

The case $p = \frac{1}{2}$ produces

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.4) \quad f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \exp \left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} \sqrt{f(t) f\left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{t}\right)} dt \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\
 &\leq L(f(a), f(b)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, if we take $p = 1$ in (2.2), then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.5) \quad f(\sqrt{ab}) &\leq \exp \left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \\
 &\leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} f(t) f\left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{t}\right) dt} \\
 &\leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{1}{t} f^2(t) dt} \leq \sqrt{A(f(a), f(b))} \sqrt{L(f(a), f(b))}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We also have:

Theorem 4. Let $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a GG-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then for every $s \in [a, b]$ we have the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.6) \quad &(\ln b - \ln s) f(b) + (\ln s - \ln a) f(a) - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\
 &\geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln f(t)}{t} dt - \ln f(s) \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

If we take in (2.6) $s = G(a, b) = \sqrt{ab}$, then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.7) \quad &(\ln b - \ln a) \frac{f(b) + f(a)}{2} - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\
 &\geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln f(t)}{t} dt - \ln f(G(a, b)) \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, if we take $s = I(a, b)$, then we get from (2.6) that

$$(2.8) \quad (\ln b - \ln I(a, b)) f(b) + (\ln I(a, b) - \ln a) f(a) - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ \geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln f(t)}{t} dt - \ln f(I(a, b)) \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.$$

Since simple calculations show that

$$\ln b - \ln I(a, b) = \frac{L(a, b) - a}{L(a, b)}$$

and

$$\ln I(a, b) - \ln a = \frac{b - L(a, b)}{L(a, b)},$$

then the inequality (2.8) can be written as

$$(2.9) \quad \frac{L(a, b) - a}{L(a, b)} f(b) + \frac{b - L(a, b)}{L(a, b)} f(a) - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ \geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln f(t)}{t} dy - \ln f(I(a, b)) \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.$$

Moreover, if we take the integral mean in (2.6), then we get

$$(2.10) \quad (\ln b - \ln I(a, b)) f(b) + (\ln I(a, b) - \ln a) f(a) - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ \geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln f(t)}{t} dt - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \ln f(s) ds \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.$$

This can be also written as

$$(2.11) \quad \frac{L(a, b) - a}{L(a, b)} f(b) + \frac{b - L(a, b)}{L(a, b)} f(a) - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ \geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln f(t)}{t} dt - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \ln f(s) ds \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt.$$

From a different perspective we have:

Theorem 5. Let $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a GG-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then we have the inequality

$$(2.12) \quad \frac{f(b) + f(a)}{2} - \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ \geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} \ln f(t) dt - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \geq 0.$$

Also, we can state the following result as well:

Theorem 6. Let $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a GG-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then we have the inequality

$$(2.13) \quad f(b) \left(\ln b - \frac{\int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln t}{t} dt}{\int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt} \right) + f(a) \left(\frac{\int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln t}{t} dt}{\int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt} - \ln a \right) - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ \geq \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} \ln f(t) dt - \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} \ln f \left(\exp \left(\frac{\int_a^b \frac{f(t) \ln t}{t} dt}{\int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt} \right) \right) dt \geq 0.$$

Finally, we have

Theorem 7. *Let $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a GG-convex function on $[a, b]$. Then we have the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.14) \quad & \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f^{2p}(t)}{t} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b [f^{2p}(t)]^{1-\alpha} \left[f^{2p} \left(\frac{ab}{t} \right) \right]^\alpha dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{f^{2p}(t)}{t} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{f^p(t) f^p \left(\frac{ab}{t} \right)}{t} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \exp \left[\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \geq f(\sqrt{ab}),
\end{aligned}$$

for every $\alpha \in [0, 1] \setminus \{\frac{1}{2}\}$ and $p > 0$.

For $p = \frac{1}{4}$ in (2.14) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.15) \quad & \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\sqrt{f(t)}}{t} dt \right)^2 \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \sqrt{f^{1-\alpha}(t)} \left[\sqrt{f^\alpha \left(\frac{ab}{t} \right)} \right] dt \right)^2 \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\sqrt{f(t)}}{t} dt \right)^2 \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\sqrt[4]{f(t) f \left(\frac{ab}{t} \right)}}{t} dt \right)^2 \\
& \geq \exp \left[\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \geq f(\sqrt{ab}).
\end{aligned}$$

If we take $p = \frac{1}{2}$ in (2.14), then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.16) \quad & \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\
& \geq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b [f(t)]^{1-\alpha} \left[f\left(\frac{ab}{t}\right) \right]^\alpha dt \\
& \geq \frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\
& \geq \frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\sqrt{f(t) f\left(\frac{ab}{t}\right)}}{t} dt \\
& \geq \exp \left[\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \geq f(\sqrt{ab}).
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, by taking $p = 1$ in (2.14) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.17) \quad & \sqrt{\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f^2(t)}{t} dt} \\
& \geq \sqrt{\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b [f^2(t)]^{1-\alpha} \left[f^2\left(\frac{ab}{t}\right) \right]^\alpha dt} \\
& \geq \sqrt{\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{f^2(t)}{t} dt} \\
& \geq \sqrt{\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{f(t) f\left(\frac{ab}{t}\right)}{t} dt} \\
& \geq \exp \left[\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \geq f(\sqrt{ab}).
\end{aligned}$$

3. PROOFS

In the recent paper [26] we established the following inequalities for a log-convex function $g : [c, d] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$:

If $p \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.1) \quad g\left(\frac{c+d}{2}\right) &\leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d \ln g(x) dx\right] \\
&\leq \left(\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g^p(x) g^p(c+d-x) dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
&\leq \left(\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g^{2p}(x) dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \leq \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g(x) dx \\
&\leq L(g(c), g(d)).
\end{aligned}$$

For $p > 0$, but $p \neq \frac{1}{2}$, we also have

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.2) \quad g\left(\frac{c+d}{2}\right) &\leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d \ln g(x) dx\right] \\
&\leq \left(\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g^p(x) g^p(c+d-x) dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
&\leq \left(\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g^{2p}(x) dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
&\leq [L_{2p-1}(g(c), g(d))]^{1-\frac{1}{2p}} [L(g(c), g(d))]^{\frac{1}{2p}}.
\end{aligned}$$

If $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$, then by taking $g := f \circ \exp$; $c = \ln a$ and $d = \ln b$ we have that g is log-convex on $[c, d]$ and by (3.1) and (3.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.3) \quad f \circ \exp\left(\frac{\ln a + \ln b}{2}\right) &\leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} \ln [f \circ \exp(x)] dx\right] \\
&\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f \circ \exp(x)]^p [f \circ \exp(\ln a + \ln b - x)]^p dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
&\leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f \circ \exp(x)]^{2p} dx\right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(x) dx \leq L(f \circ \exp(\ln a), f \circ \exp(\ln b))
\end{aligned}$$

for $p \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.4) \quad & f \circ \exp \left(\frac{\ln a + \ln b}{2} \right) \\
& \leq \exp \left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} \ln [f \circ \exp(x)] dx \right] \\
& \leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} [f \circ \exp(x)]^p [f \circ \exp(\ln a + \ln b - x)]^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f \circ \exp(x)]^{2p} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \leq [L_{2p-1}(f \circ \exp(\ln a), f \circ \exp(\ln b))]^{1-\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \quad \times [L(f \circ \exp(\ln a), f \circ \exp(\ln b))]^{\frac{1}{2p}}
\end{aligned}$$

for $p > 0$, but $p \neq \frac{1}{2}$.

The inequalities (3.3) and (3.4) can be equivalently written as

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.5) \quad & f(\sqrt{ab}) \leq \exp \left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} \ln [f \circ \exp(x)] dx \right] \\
& \leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f \circ \exp(x)]^p \left[f \left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{\exp(x)} \right) \right]^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f \circ \exp(x)]^{2p} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(x) dx \leq L(f(a), f(b))
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.6) \quad & f(\sqrt{ab}) \leq \exp \left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} \ln [f \circ \exp(x)] dx \right] \\
& \leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f \circ \exp(x)]^p \left[f \left(\frac{\sqrt{ab}}{\exp(x)} \right) \right]^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \leq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f \circ \exp(x)]^{2p} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \leq [L_{2p-1}(f(a), f(b))]^{1-\frac{1}{2p}} [L(f(a), f(b))]^{\frac{1}{2p}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, by making the change of variable $\exp(x) = t$ in the integrals from (3.5) and (3.6) we obtain the desired results (2.1) and (2.2).

In [26] we also obtained the following result:

Let $g : [c, d] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a log-convex function on $[c, d]$. Then for any $x \in [c, d]$ we have

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & g(d)(d-x) + g(c)(x-c) - \int_c^d g(y) dy \\ & \geq \int_c^d g(y) \ln g(y) dy - \ln g(x) \int_c^d g(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

A simple proof of this fact is as follows.

Since the function $\ln g$ is convex on $[c, d]$, then by the gradient inequality we have

$$(3.8) \quad \ln g(x) - \ln g(y) \geq \frac{g'_+(y)}{g(y)}(x-y)$$

for any $x \in [c, d]$ and $y \in (c, d)$.

If we multiply (3.8) by $g(y) > 0$ and integrate on $[c, d]$ over y we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \ln g(x) \int_c^d g(y) dy - \int_c^d g(y) \ln g(y) dy \\ & \geq \int_c^d g'_+(y)(x-y) dy = g(y)(x-y)|_c^d + \int_c^d g(y) dy \\ & = g(d)(x-d) + g(c)(c-x) + \int_c^d g(y) dy, \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to (3.7).

If $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$, then by taking $g := f \circ \exp$; $c = \ln a$, $d = \ln b$ and $x = \ln s$, $s \in [a, b]$, we have that g is log-convex on $[c, d]$ and by (3.7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (\ln b - \ln s) f \circ \exp(\ln b) + (\ln s - \ln a) f \circ \exp(\ln a) - \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy \\ & \geq \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) \ln(f \circ \exp(y)) dy - \ln(f \circ \exp(\ln s)) \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy, \end{aligned}$$

that is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & (\ln b - \ln s) f(b) + (\ln s - \ln a) f(a) - \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy \\ & \geq \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) \ln(f \circ \exp(y)) dy - \ln f(s) \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy, \end{aligned}$$

that holds for each $s \in [a, b]$.

Now, if in this last inequality we make the change of variable $\exp(y) = t$, then we obtain the desired result (2.6).

We have the following result for log-convex functions that improves the trapezoid inequality for the convex function $h : [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\frac{h(d) + h(c)}{2} - \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d h(y) dy \geq 0.$$

We have [26] :

Lemma 1. *Let $g : [c, d] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a log-convex function on $[c, d]$. Then*

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{g(d) + g(c)}{2} - \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g(y) dy \\ & \geq \int_c^d g(y) \ln g(y) dy - \int_c^d g(y) dy \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d \ln g(y) dy \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. If we take the integral mean over x in (3.7), then we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d [g(d)(d-x) + g(c)(x-c)] dx - \int_c^d g(y) dy \\ & \geq \int_c^d g(y) \ln g(y) dy - \int_c^d g(y) dy \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d \ln g(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

and since

$$\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d [g(d)(d-x) + g(c)(x-c)] dx = \frac{g(d) + g(c)}{2} - \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g(y) dy$$

then the first inequality in (3.9) is proved.

Since \ln is an increasing function on $(0, \infty)$, then we have

$$(g(x) - g(y)) (\ln g(x) - \ln g(y)) \geq 0$$

for any $x, y \in [c, d]$, showing that the functions g and $\ln g$ are synchronous on $[c, d]$.

By making use of the Čebyšev integral inequality for synchronous functions $g, h : [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, namely

$$\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g(x) h(x) dx \geq \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g(x) dx \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d h(x) dx,$$

then we have

$$\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g(x) \ln g(x) dx \geq \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g(x) dx \frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d \ln g(x) dx,$$

which proves the last part of (3.9). \square

If $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$, then by taking $g := f \circ \exp$; $c = \ln a$, and $d = \ln b$, we have that g is log-convex on $[c, d]$ and by (3.9) we get

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{f(b) + f(a)}{2} - \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy \\ & \geq \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) \ln (f \circ \exp(y)) dy \\ & \quad - \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} \ln (f \circ \exp(y)) dy \\ & \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

By changing the variable $\exp(y) = t$ in (3.10) we deduce the desired inequality (2.12).

We have [26]:

Lemma 2. Let $g : [c, d] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a log-convex function on $[c, d]$. Then

$$(3.11) \quad g(d) \left(d - \frac{\int_c^d yg(y) dy}{\int_c^d g(y) dy} \right) + g(c) \left(\frac{\int_c^d yg(y) dy}{\int_c^d g(y) dy} - c \right) - \int_c^d g(y) dy \\ \geq \int_c^d g(y) \ln g(y) dy - \int_c^d g(y) dy \ln g \left(\frac{\int_c^d yg(y) dy}{\int_c^d g(y) dy} \right) \geq 0.$$

Proof. The first inequality follows by (3.7) on taking

$$x = \frac{\int_c^d yg(y) dy}{\int_c^d g(y) dy} \in [c, d]$$

since $g(y) > 0$ for any $y \in [c, d]$.

By Jensen's inequality for the convex function $\ln g$ and the positive weight g we have

$$\frac{\int_c^d g(y) \ln g(y) dy}{\int_c^d g(y) dy} \geq g \left(\frac{\int_c^d g(y) y dy}{\int_c^d g(y) dy} \right),$$

which proves the second inequality in (3.11). \square

If $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$, then by taking $g := f \circ \exp$; $c = \ln a$, and $d = \ln b$, we have that g is log-convex on $[c, d]$ and by (3.11) we have

$$(3.12) \quad f(b) \left(\ln b - \frac{\int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} yf \circ \exp(y) dy}{\int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy} \right) + f(c) \left(\frac{\int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} yf \circ \exp(y) dy}{\int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy} - \ln a \right) \\ - \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy \\ \geq \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) \ln (f \circ \exp(y)) dy \\ - \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy \times \ln (f \circ \exp) \left(\frac{\int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} y (f \circ \exp(y)) dy}{\int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f \circ \exp(y) dy} \right) \\ \geq 0.$$

By changing the variable $\exp(y) = t$ in (3.12) we get (2.13).

In [26] we also proved the following result:

Let $g : [c, d] \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be a log-convex function. Then for every $\alpha \in [0, 1] \setminus \{\frac{1}{2}\}$ we have for $p > 0$ that

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.13) \quad & \left(\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d g^{2p}(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{d-c} \int_c^d [g^{2p}(x)]^{1-\alpha} [g^{2p}(c+d-x)]^\alpha dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(d-c)} \int_{(1-\alpha)c+\alpha d}^{\alpha c+(1-\alpha)d} g^{2p}(u) du \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(d-c)} \int_{(1-\alpha)c+\alpha d}^{\alpha c+(1-\alpha)d} g^p(u) g^p(c+d-u) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \exp \left[\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(d-c)} \int_{(1-\alpha)c+\alpha d}^{\alpha c+(1-\alpha)d} \ln g(u) du \right] \geq g \left(\frac{c+d}{2} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

If $f : [a, b] \subset (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is a GG -convex function on $[a, b]$, then by taking $g := f \circ \exp$; $c = \ln a$, and $d = \ln b$, we have that g is log-convex on $[c, d]$ and by (3.13) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} f^{2p} \circ \exp(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_{\ln a}^{\ln b} [f^{2p} \circ \exp(x)]^{1-\alpha} \left[f^{2p} \left(\frac{ab}{\exp(x)} \right) \right]^\alpha dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{\ln(a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha)}^{\ln(a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha})} f^{2p} \circ \exp(x) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \left(\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{\ln(a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha)}^{\ln(a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha})} f^p \circ \exp(x) f^p \left(\frac{ab}{\exp(x)} \right) dx \right)^{\frac{1}{2p}} \\
& \geq \exp \left[\frac{1}{(1-2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{\ln(a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha)}^{\ln(a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha})} \ln f \circ \exp(x) dx \right] \geq f \left(\sqrt{ab} \right),
\end{aligned}$$

which, by changing the variable $t = \exp x$, is equivalent to (2.14).

4. APPLICATIONS FOR EXPONENTIAL INTEGRAL MEAN

First, we consider the *exponential integral* $\text{Ei} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$\text{Ei}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{e^t}{t} dt, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

and for $b > a > 0$ define the *exponential integral mean* by

$$\text{Ei}_\mu(a, b) := \frac{\text{Ei}(b) - \text{Ei}(a)}{\ln b - \ln a} = \frac{\int_a^b \frac{e^t}{t} dt}{\ln b - \ln a}.$$

If we use the inequality (2.3) in the form

$$(4.1) \quad \exp \left[\frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \leq \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \leq L(f(a), f(b))$$

for the *GG*-convex function $f(t) = \exp t$, then we get the basic inequality

$$(4.2) \quad \exp(L(a, b)) \leq \text{Ei}_\mu(a, b) \leq L(\exp(a), \exp(b)) = E(a, b),$$

where

$$E(a, b) := \frac{\exp b - \exp a}{b - a}, \quad b > a > 0.$$

From (2.12) for the *GG*-convex function $f(t) = \exp t$, we have

$$(4.3) \quad A(\exp(a), \exp(b)) - \text{Ei}_\mu(a, b) \geq (b - a) [E(a, b) - \text{Ei}_\mu(a, b)] \geq 0.$$

If we use the inequality (2.16) in the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\ln b - \ln a} \int_a^b \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ & \geq \frac{1}{(1 - 2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{f(t)}{t} dt \\ & \geq \exp \left[\frac{1}{(1 - 2\alpha)(\ln b - \ln a)} \int_{a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha}^{a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}} \frac{\ln f(t)}{t} dt \right] \geq f(\sqrt{ab}) \end{aligned}$$

for the *GG*-convex function $f(t) = \exp t$, then we also have

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{Ei}_\mu(a, b) & \geq \text{Ei}_\mu(a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha, a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha}) \\ & \geq \exp(L(a^{1-\alpha}b^\alpha, a^\alpha b^{1-\alpha})) \geq \exp(G(a, b)) \end{aligned}$$

for every $\alpha \in [0, 1] \setminus \{\frac{1}{2}\}$.

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