

OSTROWSKI'S INEQUALITY FOR THE COMPLEX INTEGRAL OF HOLOMORPHIC FUNCTIONS ON CONVEX DOMAINS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we extend the Ostrowski inequality to the complex integral, by providing upper bounds for the quantity

$$\left| f(v)(w-u) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right|$$

under the assumptions that γ is a smooth path parametrized by $z(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$, $u = z(a)$ and $w = z(b)$ while f is holomorphic in G , convex domain, $\gamma \subset G$ and $z \in G$. Applications for some particular functions of interest are also given.

1. INTRODUCTION

In 1938, A. Ostrowski [8], proved the following inequality concerning the distance between the integral mean $\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt$ and the value $f(x)$, $x \in [a, b]$.

Theorem 1 (Ostrowski, 1938 [8]). *Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) such that $f' : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded on (a, b) , i.e., $\|f'\|_{\infty} := \sup_{t \in (a, b)} |f'(t)| < \infty$. Then*

$$(1.1) \quad \left| f(x) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dt \right| \leq \left[\frac{1}{4} + \left(\frac{x - \frac{a+b}{2}}{b-a} \right)^2 \right] \|f'\|_{\infty} (b-a),$$

for all $x \in [a, b]$ and the constant $\frac{1}{4}$ is the best possible.

For extensions of Ostrowski's inequality in terms of the p -norms of the derivative, see [1], [2] and [3]. For a recent survey on Ostrowski's inequality, see [4].

In order to extend this result for the complex integral, we need some preparations as follows.

Suppose γ is a smooth path parametrized by $z(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$ and f is a complex function which is continuous on γ . Put $z(a) = u$ and $z(b) = w$ with $u, w \in \mathbb{C}$. We define the integral of f on $\gamma_{u,w} = \gamma$ as

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_{u,w}} f(z) dz := \int_a^b f(z(t)) z'(t) dt.$$

We observe that that the actual choice of parametrization of γ does not matter.

This definition immediately extends to paths that are piecewise smooth. Suppose γ is parametrized by $z(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$, which is differentiable on the intervals $[a, c]$

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and $[c, b]$, then assuming that f is continuous on γ we define

$$\int_{\gamma_{u,w}} f(z) dz := \int_{\gamma_{u,v}} f(z) dz + \int_{\gamma_{v,w}} f(z) dz$$

where $v := z(c)$. This can be extended for a finite number of intervals.

We also define the integral with respect to arc-length

$$\int_{\gamma_{u,w}} f(z) |dz| := \int_a^b f(z(t)) |z'(t)| dt$$

and the length of the curve γ is then

$$\ell(\gamma) = \int_{\gamma_{u,w}} |dz| = \int_a^b |z'(t)| dt.$$

Let f and g be holomorphic in G , an open domain and suppose $\gamma \subset G$ is a piecewise smooth path from $z(a) = u$ to $z(b) = w$. Then we have the *integration by parts formula*

$$(1.2) \quad \int_{\gamma_{u,w}} f(z) g'(z) dz = f(w)g(w) - f(u)g(u) - \int_{\gamma_{u,w}} f'(z)g(z) dz.$$

We recall also the *triangle inequality* for the complex integral, namely

$$(1.3) \quad \left| \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \int_{\gamma} |f(z)| |dz| \leq \|f\|_{\gamma, \infty} \ell(\gamma)$$

where $\|f\|_{\gamma, \infty} := \sup_{z \in \gamma} |f(z)|$.

We also define the p -norm with $p \geq 1$ by

$$\|f\|_{\gamma, p} := \left(\int_{\gamma} |f(z)|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p}.$$

For $p = 1$ we have

$$\|f\|_{\gamma, 1} := \int_{\gamma} |f(z)| |dz|.$$

If $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then by Hölder's inequality we have

$$\|f\|_{\gamma, 1} \leq [\ell(\gamma)]^{1/q} \|f\|_{\gamma, p}.$$

In the recent paper [5] we obtained the following result for functions of complex variable:

Theorem 2. *Let f be holomorphic in G , an open domain and suppose $\gamma \subset G$ is a smooth path from $z(a) = u$ to $z(b) = w$. If $v = z(x)$ with $x \in (a, b)$, then $\gamma_{u,w} = \gamma_{u,v} \cup \gamma_{v,w}$,*

$$(1.4) \quad \left| f(v)(w-u) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \\ \leq \|f'\|_{\gamma_{u,v}; \infty} \int_{\gamma_{u,v}} |z-u| |dz| + \|f'\|_{\gamma_{v,w}; \infty} \int_{\gamma_{v,w}} |z-w| |dz| \\ \leq \left[\int_{\gamma_{u,v}} |z-u| |dz| + \int_{\gamma_{v,w}} |z-w| |dz| \right] \|f'\|_{\gamma_{u,w}; \infty}$$

and

$$(1.5) \quad \left| f(v)(w-u) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \\ \leq \max_{z \in \gamma_{u,v}} |z-u| \|f'\|_{\gamma_{u,v};1} + \max_{z \in \gamma_{v,w}} |z-w| \|f'\|_{\gamma_{v,w};1} \\ \leq \max \left\{ \max_{z \in \gamma_{u,v}} |z-u|, \max_{z \in \gamma_{v,w}} |z-w| \right\} \|f'\|_{\gamma_{u,w};1}.$$

If $p, q > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then

$$(1.6) \quad \left| f(v)(w-u) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \\ \leq \left(\int_{\gamma_{u,v}} |z-u|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} \|f'\|_{\gamma_{u,v};p} + \left(\int_{\gamma_{v,w}} |z-w|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} \|f'\|_{\gamma_{v,w};p} \\ \leq \left(\int_{\gamma_{u,v}} |z-u|^q |dz| + \int_{\gamma_{v,w}} |z-w|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} \|f'\|_{\gamma_{u,w};p}.$$

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2. OSTROWSKI TYPE INEQUALITIES

We have:

Theorem 3. *Let $f : D \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a holomorphic function on the convex domain D and suppose $\gamma \subset D$ is a piecewise smooth path parametrized by $z(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$, $u = z(a)$ and $w = z(b)$. If $v \in D$, then*

$$(2.1) \quad \left| (w-u)f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \\ \leq \int_{\gamma} |v-z| \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z+tv) dt \right| |dz| \\ \leq \begin{cases} \max_{z \in \gamma} |v-z| \int_{\gamma} \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z+tv) dt \right| |dz|; \\ \left(\int_{\gamma} |v-z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\gamma} \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z+tv) dt \right|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} \\ p, q > 1 \text{ with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1; \\ \int_{\gamma} |v-z| |dz| \max_{z \in \gamma} \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z+tv) dt \right| \end{cases}$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'((1-t)z + tv)| |dz| \right) dt$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} \max_{z \in \gamma} |v - z| \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)| |dz| \right) dt; \\ \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} dt \\ p, q > 1 \text{ with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1; \\ \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz| \int_0^1 \max_{z \in \gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt. \end{cases}$$

Proof. Due to the convexity of D , for any $z, v \in D$ we can define the function $\varphi_{z,v} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $\varphi_{z,v}(t) := f((1-t)z + tv)$. The function $\varphi_{z,v}$ is differentiable on $(0, 1)$ and

$$\frac{d\varphi_{z,v}(t)}{dt} = (v - z) f'((1-t)z + tv) \text{ for } t \in (0, 1).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(v) - f(z) &= \varphi_{z,v}(1) - \varphi_{z,v}(0) = \int_0^1 \frac{d\varphi_{z,v}(t)}{dt} dt \\ &= (v - z) \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \end{aligned}$$

for any $z, v \in D$.

Integrating over z on γ we have

$$f(v) \int_{\gamma} dz - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} (v - z) \left(\int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right) dz$$

namely

$$(w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} (v - z) \left(\int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right) dz$$

and by Fubini theorem, we get the equality of interest

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz &= \int_{\gamma} (v - z) \left(\int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right) dz \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} (v - z) f'((1-t)z + tv) dz \right) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the modulus in the first equality in (2.3), we get ||

$$(2.4) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \left| \int_{\gamma} (v - z) \left(\int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right) dz \right|$$

$$\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right| |dz|.$$

Using Hölder's inequality we also have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right| |dz| \\ & \leq \begin{cases} \max_{z \in \gamma} |v - z| \int_{\gamma} \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right| |dz|; \\ \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\gamma} \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} \\ p, q > 1 \text{ with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1; \\ \max_{z \in \gamma} \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right| \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz|, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

which proves the inequality (2.1).

Using the second equality in (2.3) we get

$$(2.5) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \int_0^1 \left| \int_{\gamma} (v - z) f'((1-t)z + tv) dz \right| dt \\ \leq \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'((1-t)z + tv)| |dz| \right) dt.$$

Using Hölder's inequality, we have

$$(2.6) \quad \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'((1-t)z + tv)| |dz| \\ \leq \begin{cases} \max_{z \in \gamma} |v - z| \int_{\gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)| |dz|; \\ \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} \\ p, q > 1 \text{ with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1; \\ \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz| \max_{z \in \gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)| \end{cases}$$

for $t \in [0, 1]$.

Integrating the inequality (2.6) over $t \in [0, 1]$, we obtain

$$\int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'((1-t)z + tv)| |dz| \right) dt \\ \leq \begin{cases} \max_{z \in \gamma} |v - z| \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)| |dz| \right) dt; \\ \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \int_0^1 \left(\int_{\gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} dt \\ p, q > 1 \text{ with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1; \\ \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz| \int_0^1 \max_{z \in \gamma} |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt \end{cases}$$

and by (2.5) we get (2.2). \square

Remark 1. From (2.1) we also have the inequalities in terms of the integrals of modulus

$$(2.7) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right|$$

$$\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right| |dz|$$

$$\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt \right) |dz|$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} \max_{z \in \gamma} |v - z| \int_{\gamma} \left(\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt \right) |dz|; \\ \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\gamma} \left(\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)|^q dt \right) |dz| \right)^{1/q} \\ p, q > 1 \text{ with } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1; \\ \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz| \max_{z \in \gamma} \int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt. \end{cases}$$

If $\|f'\|_{D,\infty} := \sup_{z \in D} |f'(z)| < \infty$, then we also have

$$(2.8) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right|$$

$$\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left| \int_0^1 f'((1-t)z + tv) dt \right| |dz|$$

$$\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt \right) |dz| \leq \|f'\|_{D,\infty} \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz|.$$

Corollary 1. With the assumptions of Theorem 3 and if $|f'|$ is convex on D , then

$$(2.9) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'(z)| |dz| + |f'(v)| \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz| \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\|f'\|_{D,\infty} + |f'(v)| \right] \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz| \leq \|f'\|_{D,\infty} \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz|$$

provided

$$\|f'\|_{D,\infty} := \sup_{z \in D} |f'(z)| < \infty.$$

Proof. If $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex, then the following inequality is well known in the literature as Hermite-Hadamard inequality

$$\int_0^1 g(t) dt \leq \frac{g(0) + g(1)}{2}.$$

Let $v \in D$ and $z \in \gamma$. By Hermite-Hadamard inequality for the convex function $[0, 1] \ni t \rightarrow |f'((1-t)z + tv)|$ we have

$$\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt \leq \frac{1}{2} [|f'(z)| + |f'(v)|],$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt \right) |dz| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{\gamma} |v - z| [|f'(z)| + |f'(v)|] |dz| \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'(z)| |dz| + |f'(v)| \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |dz| \right] \end{aligned}$$

and by (2.7) we get (2.9). \square

We also have:

Corollary 2. *With the assumptions of Theorem 3 and if $|f'|^q$ with $q > 1$ is convex on D , then*

$$(2.10) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{2^{1/q}} \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(|f'(v)|^q \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |f'(z)|^q |dz| \right)^{1/q},$$

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

Proof. Using power inequality for integral and the convexity of $|f'|^q$, with $q > 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt & \leq \left(\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ & \leq \left(\frac{|f'(z)|^q + |f'(v)|^q}{2} \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

for $v \in D$ and $z \in \gamma$.

Using (2.7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} (2.11) \quad & \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \\ & \leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 |f'((1-t)z + tv)| dt \right) |dz| \\ & \leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\frac{|f'(z)|^q + |f'(v)|^q}{2} \right)^{1/q} |dz| \\ & \leq \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\gamma} \left[\left(\frac{|f'(z)|^q + |f'(v)|^q}{2} \right)^{1/q} \right]^q |dz| \right)^{1/q} \\ & = \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\gamma} \frac{|f'(z)|^q + |f'(v)|^q}{2} |dz| \right)^{1/q} \\ & = \left(\int_{\gamma} |v - z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\frac{1}{2} \int_{\gamma} |f'(z)|^q |dz| + \frac{1}{2} |f'(v)|^q \ell(\gamma) \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

for $v \in D$. \square

For $z \in \mathbb{C}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\exp(z)| &= |\exp(\operatorname{Re} z + i \operatorname{Im} z)| = |\exp(\operatorname{Re} z) \exp(i \operatorname{Im} z)| \\ &= |\exp(\operatorname{Re} z)| |\exp(i \operatorname{Im} z)| = \exp(\operatorname{Re} z) |\cos(\operatorname{Im} z) + i \sin(\operatorname{Im} z)| \\ &= \exp(\operatorname{Re} z). \end{aligned}$$

Then for any $t \in [0, 1]$ and for any $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\exp((1-t)z + tw)|^\alpha &= \exp[\alpha(\operatorname{Re}((1-t)z + tw))] \\ &= \exp[(1-t)\alpha \operatorname{Re} z + t\alpha \operatorname{Re} w] \\ &\leq (1-t) \exp(\alpha \operatorname{Re} z) + t \exp(\alpha \operatorname{Re} w) \\ &= (1-t) |\exp(z)|^\alpha + t |\exp(w)|^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

which shows that the function $g(z) = |\exp(z)|^\alpha$ is convex for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.

Suppose $\gamma \subset D$ is a piecewise smooth path parametrized by $z(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$, $u = z(a)$ and $w = z(b)$. We also have for $\gamma = \gamma_{u,w}$ that

$$\int_\gamma \exp(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_{u,w}} \exp(z) dz = \exp(w) - \exp(u).$$

Using the inequality (2.9) we get

$$\begin{aligned} (2.12) \quad & |(w-u) \exp(v) - \exp(w) + \exp(u)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_\gamma |v-z| \exp(\operatorname{Re} z) |dz| + \exp(\operatorname{Re} v) \int_\gamma |v-z| |dz| \right] \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\|\exp\|_{D,\infty} + \exp(\operatorname{Re} v) \right] \int_\gamma |v-z| |dz| \leq \|\exp\|_{D,\infty} \int_\gamma |v-z| |dz| \end{aligned}$$

for any $v \in \mathbb{C}$.

By using the inequality (2.10), we get

$$\begin{aligned} (2.13) \quad & |(w-u) \exp(v) - \exp(w) + \exp(u)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2^{1/q}} \left(\int_\gamma |v-z|^p |dz| \right)^{1/p} \left(\exp(q \operatorname{Re} v) \ell(\gamma) + \int_\gamma \exp(q \operatorname{Re} z) |dz| \right)^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

where $p > 1$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, for any $v \in \mathbb{C}$.

3. RELATED RESULTS

Now, by the help of power series $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ we can naturally construct another power series which will have as coefficients the absolute values of the coefficients of the original series, namely, $f_a(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n$. It is obvious that this new power series will have the same radius of convergence as the original series. We also notice that if all coefficients $a_n \geq 0$ then $f_a = f$.

We notice that if

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} f(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} z^n = \ln \frac{1}{1+z}, \quad z \in D(0, 1); \\ g(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} z^{2n} = \cos z, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}; \\ h(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1} = \sin z, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}; \\ l(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^n = \frac{1}{1+z}, \quad z \in D(0, 1); \end{aligned}$$

then the corresponding functions constructed by the use of the absolute values of the coefficients are

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} f_a(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n = \ln \frac{1}{1-z}, \quad z \in D(0, 1); \\ g_a(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} z^{2n} = \cosh z, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}; \\ h_a(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1} = \sinh z, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}; \\ l_a(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}, \quad z \in D(0, 1). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4. Consider the power series $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ that is convergent on the open disk $D(0, R)$ and suppose $\gamma \subset D(0, R)$ is a piecewise smooth path parametrized by $z(t)$, $t \in [a, b]$, $u = z(a)$ and $w = z(b)$. If $v \in D(0, R)$, then we have the inequalities

$$(3.3) \quad \left| (w-u)f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[|f'_a(v)| \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v-z| |f'_a(z)| |dz| \right]$$

and

$$(3.4) \quad \left| (w-u)f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[f'_a(|v|) \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v-z| f'_a(|z|) |dz| \right].$$

Proof. We have $f'(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1}$ and $f'_a(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_n| z^{n-1}$. For $m \geq 1$, by using the generalized triangle inequality we have

$$(3.5) \quad \left| \sum_{n=1}^m n a_n z^{n-1} \right| \leq \sum_{n=1}^m n |a_n| z^{n-1}.$$

Since the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n z^{n-1}$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_n| z^{n-1}$ are convergent, then by letting $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.5) we get

$$|f'(z)| \leq f'_a(|z|) \text{ for any } z \in D(0, R).$$

We observe that, since f'_a has nonnegative coefficients, then this functions is convex as a real variable functions on the interval $(-R, R)$ and increasing on $[0, R)$.

For $z, v \in D$, consider the function $h_{z,v} : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, $h_{z,v}(t) := f'_a(|(1-t)z + tv|)$. For $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1]$ with $\alpha + \beta = 1$ and $t_1, t_2 \in [0, 1]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} h_{z,v}(\alpha t_1 + \beta t_2) &= f'_a(|(1 - \alpha t_1 - \beta t_2)z + \alpha t_1 + \beta t_2 v|) \\ &= f'_a[|\alpha((1 - t_1)z + t_1 v) + \beta((1 - t_2)z + t_2 v)|] \\ &\leq f'_a[\alpha|(1 - t_1)z + t_1 v| + \beta|(1 - t_2)z + t_2 v|] \\ &\leq \alpha f'_a(|(1 - t_1)z + t_1 v|) + \beta f'_a(|(1 - t_2)z + t_2 v|), \end{aligned}$$

which shows that $h_{z,v}$ is convex on $[0, 1]$.

If we write the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for $h_{z,v}$ on $[0, 1]$ then we get

$$\int_0^1 f'_a(|(1-t)z + tv|) dt \leq \frac{|f'_a(z)| + |f'_a(v)|}{2}$$

for any $z, v \in D$, which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 |f'(|(1-t)z + tv|) dt \right) |dz| \\ &\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 f'_a(|(1-t)z + tv|) dt \right) |dz| \\ &\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \frac{|f'_a(z)| + |f'_a(v)|}{2} |dz| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'_a(z)| |dz| + |f'_a(v)| \ell(\gamma) \right] \end{aligned}$$

and the inequality (3.3) is proved.

We also have

$$f'_a(|(1-t)z + tv|) \leq f'_a((1-t)|z| + t|v|)$$

for any $z, v \in D$ and $t \in [0, 1]$ and since the function $p_{z,v}(t) := f'_a((1-t)|z| + t|v|)$ is convex, then by Hermite-Hadamard inequality we have

$$\int_0^1 f'_a(|(1-t)z + tv|) dt \leq \int_0^1 f'_a((1-t)|z| + t|v|) dt \leq \frac{f'_a(|z|) + f'_a(|v|)}{2}.$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 f'_a(|(1-t)z + tv|) dt \right) |dz| \\ &\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \left(\int_0^1 f'_a((1-t)|z| + t|v|) dt \right) |dz| \\ &\leq \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \frac{f'_a(|z|) + f'_a(|v|)}{2} |dz| = \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_{\gamma} |v - z| f'_a(|z|) |dz| + f'_a(|v|) \ell(\gamma) \right], \end{aligned}$$

which proves (3.4). \square

Remark 2. If we consider, for instance $f(z) = \sin z$, then $f_a(z) = \sinh z$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$ and by (3.3) and (3.4) we get

$$(3.6) \quad |(w - u) \sin v + \cos w - \cos u| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[|\cosh v| \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |\cosh z| |dz| \right]$$

and

$$(3.7) \quad |(w - u) \sin v + \cos w - \cos u| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\cosh(|v|) \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v - z| \cosh(|z|) |dz| \right],$$

for any $v \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\gamma_{u,w} \subset \mathbb{C}$ a piecewise smooth path.

Corollary 3. *If the power series $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ has nonnegative coefficients and is convergent on the open disk $D(0, R)$, then with the other assumptions in Theorem 4 we have*

$$(3.8) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[|f'(v)| \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |f'(z)| |dz| \right]$$

and

$$(3.9) \quad \left| (w - u) f(v) - \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[f'(|v|) \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v - z| f'(|z|) |dz| \right].$$

Important examples of functions as power series representations with nonnegative coefficients in addition to the ones from (3.2), are:

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \exp(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}; \\ \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1); \\ \sin^{-1}(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} (2n+1) n!} z^{2n+1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1); \\ \tanh^{-1}(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1); \\ {}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha) \Gamma(n + \beta) \Gamma(\gamma)}{n! \Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(n + \gamma)} z^n, \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0, \\ & \quad z \in D(0, 1); \end{aligned}$$

where Γ is *Gamma function*.

If we write the inequalities (3.8) and (3.9) for the function $f(z) = \ln(1 - z)^{-1}$, $z \in D(0, 1)$, then we get

$$(3.11) \quad \begin{aligned} \left| (w - u) \ln(1 - v)^{-1} - \int_{\gamma} \ln(1 - z)^{-1} dz \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[|(1 - v)^{-1}| \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v - z| |(1 - z)^{-1}| |dz| \right] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(3.12) \quad \begin{aligned} \left| (w - u) \ln(1 - v)^{-1} - \int_{\gamma} \ln(1 - z)^{-1} dz \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[(1 - |v|)^{-1} \ell(\gamma) + \int_{\gamma} |v - z| (1 - |z|)^{-1} |dz| \right], \end{aligned}$$

where $v \in D(0, 1)$ and $\gamma_{u,w} \subset D(0, 1)$.

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