



## INEQUALITIES FOR POWER SERIES WITH NONNEGATIVE COEFFICIENTS VIA A REVERSE OF JENSEN INEQUALITY

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**Abstract.** Some inequalities for power series with nonnegative coefficients via a reverse of Jensen inequality obtained by Dragomir & Ionescu in 1994 are given. Applications for some fundamental functions defined by power series are also provided.

### 1. Introduction

In 1994, Dragomir & Ionescu obtained the following reverse of Jensen's discrete inequality:

Let  $\Phi : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable convex function on the interior  $\overset{\circ}{I}$  of the interval  $I$ . If  $x_i \in \overset{\circ}{I}$  and  $w_i \geq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with  $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$ , then one has the inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i. \end{aligned} \quad (1.1)$$

In order to improve Grüss' discrete inequality, Cerone & Dragomir established in 2002 the following result [1]:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i b_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i \sum_{i=1}^n w_i b_i \right| &\leq \frac{1}{2} (A - a) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| b_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j b_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (A - a) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i b_i \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

provided  $-\infty < a \leq a_i \leq A < \infty$ , and  $w_i \geq 0$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) with  $W_n := \sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$ .

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In addition, if  $-\infty < b \leq b_i \leq B < \infty, (i = 1, \dots, n)$  then we have the string of inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i b_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i \sum_{i=1}^n w_i b_i \right| &\leq \frac{1}{2} (A - a) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| b_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j b_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (A - a) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i b_i \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} (A - a) (B - b). \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

Utilising these results, we observe that if  $\Phi$  is differentiable convex on a finite interval, say  $[m, M]$ , then we have the inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| \Phi'(x_i) - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j \Phi'(x_j) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\Phi'(x_i)]^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

for  $x_i \in (m, M) (i = 1, \dots, n)$ .

If the lateral derivatives  $\Phi'_+(m)$  and  $\Phi'_-(M)$  are finite, then we also have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi(x_i) - \Phi \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \Phi'(x_i) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)] \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)] \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} (M - m) [\Phi'_-(M) - \Phi'_+(m)] \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

for  $x_i \in [m, M] (i = 1, \dots, n)$ .

In the recent paper [9], by the use of a refinement of Young’s inequality, the authors proved the following result:

Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $y, z, z^\nu y^{1-\nu}, z^{1-\nu} y^\nu \in (0, R)$  and  $\nu \in [0, 1]$  then we have the inequalities:

$$2 \min\{\nu, 1 - \nu\} [f(y)f(z) - f^2(\sqrt{yz})] \leq f(y)f(z) - f(z^\nu y^{1-\nu})f(z^{1-\nu} y^\nu) \leq 2 \max\{\nu, 1 - \nu\} [f(y)f(z) - f^2(\sqrt{yz})] \tag{1.6}$$

or, equivalently,

$$2 \min\{\nu, 1 - \nu\} [f(u^2)f(t^2) - f^2(ut)] \leq f(u^2)f(t^2) - f(u^{2\nu}t^{2(1-\nu)})f(t^{2(1-\nu)}u^{2\nu}) \leq 2 \max\{\nu, 1 - \nu\} [f(u^2)f(t^2) - f^2(ut)], \tag{1.7}$$

provided  $u^2, t^2, u^{2\nu}t^{2(1-\nu)}, t^{2(1-\nu)}u^{2\nu} \in (0, R)$  and  $\nu \in [0, 1]$ .

For other recent results for power series with nonnegative coefficients, see [9] and [10]. For more results on power series inequalities, see [2] and [5]-[8].

Motivated by the above results and utilizing a reverse of Jensen inequality obtained by Dragomir & Ionescu in 1994 we provide in this paper other inequalities for power series with nonnegative coefficients. Applications for some fundamental and special functions are given as well.

### 2. Power inequalities

The most important power series with nonnegative coefficients are:

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \quad \frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \\ \ln \frac{1}{1-z} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} z^n, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \quad \cosh z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} z^{2n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, \\ \sinh z &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \\ \sin^{-1}(z) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} (2n+1) n!} z^{2n+1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \\ \tanh^{-1}(z) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \quad z \in D(0, 1), \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

$${}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha)\Gamma(n+\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}{n!\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(n+\gamma)} z^n, \alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0 \quad z \in D(0, 1),$$

where  $\Gamma$  is *Gamma function*.

The following result for powers holds:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p \geq 1$ ,  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $x > 0$  with  $\alpha x^p, \alpha x^{p-1} < R$ , then*

$$0 \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p \leq p \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]. \tag{2.3}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p \leq p \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^{2(p-1)})}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \right]^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4} p \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p \leq p \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^2)}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4} p. \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

**Proof.** If we write the inequality (1.1) for the convex function  $\Phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\Phi(x) = x^p$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , then we have

$$0 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^p - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^p \leq p \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^p - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \tag{2.6}$$

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

If  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $k \geq 1$ , then by (2.6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j x^j \right)^p \\ &\leq p \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^{p-1})^j \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j x^j \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.7}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (2.7) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.7) we deduce (2.3).

Now, if  $x_i \in [m, M] \subset [0, \infty)$ ,  $(i = 1, \dots, n)$ , then by (1.4) for the convex function  $\Phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\Phi(x) = x^p$ ,  $p \geq 1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^p - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^p \\ &\leq p \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^p - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p (M - m) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| x_i^{p-1} - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j^{p-1} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p (M - m) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^{2(p-1)} - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^{p-1} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p (M - m) (M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}). \end{aligned} \tag{2.8}$$

If  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then  $0 < x^j \leq 1$  for  $j = 0, \dots, k$  and by (2.8) we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j x^j \right)^p \\ &\leq p \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^{p-1})^j \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j x^j \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j [x^{2(p-1)}]^j - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^{p-1})^j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} p. \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (2.9) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.9) we deduce (2.4).

Now, if  $x_i \in [m, M] \subset [0, \infty)$ ,  $(i = 1, \dots, n)$ , then by (1.5) for the convex function  $\Phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\Phi(x) = x^p$ ,  $p \geq 1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^p - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^p \\ &\leq p \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^p - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p (M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p (M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4} (M - m) (M^{p-1} - m^{p-1}). \tag{2.10}$$

Finally, by utilizing a similar argument as above, we obtain the inequality (2.5). The details are omitted.  $\square$

**Remark 1.** We observe that, the second inequality in (2.3) is equivalent to

$$\frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \left( p \frac{f(\alpha x^{p-1})}{f(\alpha)} - \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^{p-1} \right) \leq (p-1) \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \tag{2.11}$$

or to

$$f(\alpha x) \left( p f(\alpha x^{p-1}) [f(\alpha)]^{p-2} - [f(\alpha x)]^{p-1} \right) \leq (p-1) f(\alpha x^p) [f(\alpha)]^{p-1}, \tag{2.12}$$

provided that  $p \geq 1, 0 < \alpha < R$  and  $x > 0$  with  $\alpha x^p, \alpha x^{p-1} < R$ .

Moreover, if  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then from (2.4) we have

$$\left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \leq \frac{1}{4} p + \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x)}{f(\alpha)} \right]^p. \tag{2.13}$$

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

$$0 \leq [f(\alpha x^p)]^{1/p} [f(\alpha)]^{1-\frac{1}{p}} - f(\alpha x) \leq \frac{1}{4^{1/p}} p^{1/p} f(\alpha). \tag{2.14}$$

**Corollary 1.** Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $u, v > 0$  with  $v^p \leq u^q < R$ , then

$$\left[ \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right]^p \leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \leq \frac{1}{4} p + \left[ \frac{f(uv)}{f(u^q)} \right]^p \tag{2.15}$$

and

$$0 \leq [f(v^p)]^{1/p} [f(u^q)]^{1/q} - f(uv) \leq \frac{1}{4^{1/p}} p^{1/p} f(u^q). \tag{2.16}$$

**Proof.** Follows by taking into (2.13) and (2.14)  $\alpha = u^q$  and  $x = \frac{v}{u^{q/p}}$ . The details are omitted.  $\square$

**Example 1.** a) If we write the inequalities (2.4) and (2.5) for the function  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n, z \in D(0, 1)$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x} \right)^p \leq p \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} - \frac{(1-\alpha)^2}{(1-\alpha x^{p-1})(1-\alpha x)} \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^{2(p-1)}} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^{p-1}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4} p \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

and

$$0 \leq \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x} \right)^p \leq p \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} - \frac{(1-\alpha)^2}{(1-\alpha x^{p-1})(1-\alpha x)} \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2}p \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^2} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4}p \tag{2.18}$$

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

b) If we write the inequalities (2.4) and (2.5) for the function  $\exp z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n, z \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] - \exp [p\alpha (x - 1)] \\ &\leq p [\exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] - \exp [\alpha (x^{p-1} + x - 2)]] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}p \left( \exp [\alpha (x^{2(p-1)} - 1)] - \exp [2\alpha (x^{p-1} - 1)] \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4}p \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] - \exp [p\alpha (x - 1)] \\ &\leq p [\exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] - \exp [\alpha (x^{p-1} + x - 2)]] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}p \left( \exp [\alpha (x^2 - 1)] - \exp [2\alpha (x - 1)] \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{1}{4}p. \end{aligned} \tag{2.20}$$

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

### 3. Exponential inequalities

The following exponential inequality holds:

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $x, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $\alpha \exp(\beta x) < R$  then*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{f(\alpha \exp(\beta x))}{f(\alpha)} - \exp \left[ \frac{\alpha \beta x f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \\ &\leq \alpha \beta x \left[ \frac{\exp(\beta x) f'(\alpha \exp(\beta x))}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha \exp(\beta x))}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Moreover, if  $x \leq 0, \beta > 0$  with  $\exp(\beta x) < R$  and  $0 < \alpha < R$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{f(\alpha \exp(\beta x))}{f(\alpha)} - \exp \left[ \frac{\alpha \beta x f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \\ &\leq \alpha \beta x \left[ \frac{\exp(\beta x) f'(\alpha \exp(\beta x))}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha \exp(\beta x))}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \beta |x| \left[ \frac{\alpha [f'(\alpha) + \alpha f''(\alpha)]}{f(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

**Proof.** If we write the inequality (1.1) for the convex function  $\Phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\Phi(x) = \exp(\beta x)$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \exp(\beta x_i) - \exp\left(\beta \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) \\ &\leq \beta \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \exp(\beta x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \exp(\beta x_i) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3.3)$$

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

If  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $k \geq 1$ , then by (3.3) for  $x_j = jx$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j [\exp(\beta x)]^j - \exp\left(\frac{\beta x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j\right) \\ &\leq \beta x \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j [\exp(\beta x)]^j \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j [\exp(\beta x)]^j \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Observe that the series  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j a_j \alpha^j$  is convergent for  $0 < \alpha < R$  and

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} j a_j \alpha^j = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j a_j \alpha^j = \alpha f'(\alpha), \quad 0 < \alpha < R.$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (3.4) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.4) we deduce (3.1).

If we write the inequality (1.4) for the convex function  $\Phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ,  $\Phi(x) = \exp(\beta x)$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \exp(\beta x_i) - \exp\left(\beta \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) \\ &\leq \beta \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \exp(\beta x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \exp(\beta x_i) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \beta [\exp(\beta M) - \exp(\beta m)] \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \beta [\exp(\beta M) - \exp(\beta m)] \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

provided  $m \leq x_i \leq M$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

Now, if  $\beta > 0$ , by letting  $M = 0$  and  $m \rightarrow -\infty$  then by (3.5) we have

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



$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \beta \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \exp(\beta x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \exp(\beta x_i) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \beta \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} \beta \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

provided  $-\infty < x_i \leq 0$ .

If  $0 < \alpha < R$ ,  $x \leq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  and  $k \geq 1$ , then by (3.3) for  $x_j = jx \in (-\infty, 0]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j [\exp(\beta x)]^j - \exp\left(\frac{\beta x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j\right) \\ &\leq \beta x \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j [\exp(\beta x)]^j \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j [\exp(\beta x)]^j \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j \right] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \beta |x| \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j^2 a_j \alpha^j - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

If we denote  $g(u) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n u^n$ , then for  $|u| < R$ , its radius of convergence, we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n \alpha_n u^n = u g'(u)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 \alpha_n u^n = u (u g'(u))'.$$

However

$$u (u g'(u))' = u g'(u) + u^2 g''(u)$$

and then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 \alpha_n u^n = u g'(u) + u^2 g''(u).$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (3.7) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.7) we deduce (3.2). □

**Example 2.**

(a) If we write the inequality (3.2) for the function  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ ,  $z \in D(0, 1)$ , then we have for  $x \leq 0$ ,  $\beta > 0$  and  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha \exp(\beta x)} - \exp\left(\frac{\alpha \beta x}{1-\alpha}\right) \\ &\leq \alpha \beta x \left[ \frac{(1-\alpha) \exp(\beta x)}{(1-\alpha \exp(\beta x))^2} - \frac{1}{1-\alpha \exp(\beta x)} \right] \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\beta |x| \alpha^{1/2}}{1-\alpha}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \exp(\alpha [\exp(\beta x) - 1]) - \exp(\alpha \beta x) \\ &\leq \alpha \beta x [\exp(\alpha [\exp(\beta x) - 1] + \beta x) - \exp(\alpha [\exp(\beta x) - 1])] \end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

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

### 3.1. Logarithmic Inequalities

The following logarithmic inequality holds:

**Theorem 3.** *Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $0 < \alpha < R$ ,  $p > 0$  and  $x > 0$  with  $\alpha x^p, \alpha x^{-p} < R$ , then*

$$0 \leq \ln\left(\frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)}\right) - p \frac{\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x^{-p})}{f(\alpha)} - 1. \tag{3.10}$$

Moreover, if  $0 < x \leq 1$  with  $\alpha x^p, \alpha x^{-p} < R$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \ln\left(\frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)}\right) - p \frac{\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x \leq \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f(\alpha x^{-p})}{f(\alpha)} - 1 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{f(\alpha x^{-2p})}{f(\alpha)} - \left(\frac{f(\alpha x^{-p})}{f(\alpha)}\right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

**Proof.** If we write the inequality (1.1) for the convex function  $\Phi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\Phi(x) = -\ln x$ , then we have

$$0 \leq \ln\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \ln(x_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{w_i}{x_i} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - 1, \tag{3.12}$$

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

If  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $k \geq 1$ , then by (3.12) for  $x_j = (x^p)^j$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \ln\left(\frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j\right) - \frac{p \ln x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \frac{\alpha^j}{(x^p)^j} - 1. \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (3.13) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.13) we deduce (3.10).

From the inequality (1.4) we have

$$0 \leq \ln\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \ln(x_i) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{w_i}{x_i} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i - 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{1}{2}(M - m) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| \frac{1}{x_i} - \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{w_j}{x_j} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}(M - m) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{w_i}{x_i^2} - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{w_i}{x_i} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

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

If  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then  $0 < x^p \leq 1$  and if we apply the inequality (3.14) for  $x_j = (x^p)^j \in (0, 1]$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \ln \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) - \frac{p \ln x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \frac{\alpha^j}{(x^p)^j} - 1 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \frac{\alpha^j}{(x^{2p})^j} - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \frac{\alpha^j}{(x^p)^j} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (3.15) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.15) we deduce (3.11). □

**Corollary 2.** Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $u, v > 0$  with  $v^p, u^q, \frac{u^{2q}}{v^p} < R$ , then

$$0 \leq \ln \left( \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \right) - \frac{u^q f'(u^q)}{f(u^q)} \ln \frac{v^p}{u^q} \leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \frac{f\left(\frac{u^{2q}}{v^p}\right)}{f(u^q)} - 1. \tag{3.16}$$

If  $v^p \leq u^q < R$  and  $\frac{u^{2q}}{v^p}, \frac{u^{3q}}{v^{2p}}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \ln \left( \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \right) - \frac{u^q f'(u^q)}{f(u^q)} \ln \frac{v^p}{u^q} \leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \frac{f\left(\frac{u^{2q}}{v^p}\right)}{f(u^q)} - 1 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{f\left(\frac{u^{3q}}{v^{2p}}\right)}{f(u^q)} - \left( \frac{f\left(\frac{u^{2q}}{v^p}\right)}{f(u^q)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

**Proof.** Follows by taking into (3.10) and (3.11)  $\alpha = u^q$  and  $x = \frac{v}{u^{q/p}}$ . The details are omitted. □

**Example 3.**

(a) If we write the inequality (3.11) for the function  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$ ,  $z \in D(0, 1)$ , then we have for  $0 < \alpha, x < 1$  and  $p > 0$  that

$$0 \leq \ln \left( \frac{1 - \alpha}{1 - \alpha x^p} \right) - \frac{p\alpha}{1 - \alpha} \ln x \leq \frac{(1 - \alpha)^2}{(1 - \alpha x^p)(1 - \alpha x^{-p})} - 1 \tag{3.18}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^{-2p}} - \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^{-p}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}.$$

(b) If we write the inequality (3.10) for the function  $\exp z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n, z \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we have

$$0 \leq \alpha(x^p - 1) - p\alpha \ln x \leq \exp[\alpha(x^p + x^{-p} - 2)] - 1 \tag{3.19}$$

for  $\alpha, p, x > 0$ .

The following logarithmic inequality also holds:

**Theorem 4.** Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $0 < \alpha < R, p > 0$  and  $x > 0$  with  $\alpha x^p < R$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p\alpha x^p f'(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right) \\ &\leq p\alpha \left[ \frac{x^p f'(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \ln x, \end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

or, equivalently

$$\frac{p\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x \leq \ln \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right)$$

i.e., the first inequality in (3.10).

Moreover, if  $0 < x \leq 1$  we also have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p\alpha x^p f'(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right) \\ &\leq p\alpha \left[ \frac{x^p f'(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \frac{f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right] \ln x \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} p |\ln x| \left[ \frac{\alpha [f'(\alpha) + \alpha f''(\alpha)]}{f(\alpha)} - \left( \frac{\alpha f'(\alpha)}{f(\alpha)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.21}$$

**Proof.** If we write the inequality (1.1) for the convex function  $\Phi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \Phi(x) = x \ln x$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \ln(x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \ln \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \end{aligned} \tag{3.22}$$

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

If  $0 < \alpha < R$  and  $k \geq 1$ , then by (3.22) for  $x_j = (x^p)^j$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \frac{p \ln x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \ln \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (j p \ln x + 1) (x^p)^j \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (j p \ln x + 1) \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \left[ p \ln x \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j + \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right] \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \left[ p \ln x \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j + \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j \right] \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j. \tag{3.23}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (3.23) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.23) we deduce

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \frac{p \alpha x^p f'(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln x - \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \ln \left( \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)} \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{f(\alpha)} [p \alpha x^p f'(\alpha x^p) \ln x + f(\alpha x^p)] - \frac{1}{f(\alpha)} [p \alpha f'(\alpha) \ln x + f(\alpha)] \frac{f(\alpha x^p)}{f(\alpha)},
 \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to (3.20).

If we write the inequality (1.4) for the convex function  $\Phi : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\Phi(x) = x \ln x$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \ln(x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \ln \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \right) \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| \ln x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j \ln x_j \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} (M - m) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1]^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \tag{3.24}
 \end{aligned}$$

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

Now, if we let  $m \rightarrow 0+$  and  $M = 1$  in (3.24) we get

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \left| \ln x_i - \sum_{j=1}^n w_j \ln x_j \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1]^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n w_i [\ln(x_i) + 1] \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.25}$$

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

If  $0 < x \leq 1$ , then  $0 < x^p \leq 1$  and if we apply the inequality (3.25) for  $x_j = (x^p)^j \in (0, 1]$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \frac{p \ln x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \ln \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \left[ p \ln x \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j + \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \right] \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \left[ p \ln x \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j + \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j \right] \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (x^p)^j \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j [j p \ln x + 1]^2 - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j [j p \ln x + 1] \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j (j^2 p^2 (\ln x)^2 + 2 j p \ln x) + 1 - \left( \frac{p \ln x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j + 1 \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{p^2 (\ln x)^2}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j^2 a_j \alpha^j + \frac{2 p \ln x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j + 1 - \left( \frac{p \ln x}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j + 1 \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} p |\ln x| \left[ \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j^2 a_j \alpha^j - \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=0}^k a_j \alpha^j} \sum_{j=0}^k j a_j \alpha^j \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.26}$$

Since all series whose partial sums involved in the inequality (3.26) are convergent, then by letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.26) we deduce (3.21). □

**Corollary 3.** Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with nonnegative coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0, R)$  with  $R > 0$  or  $R = \infty$ . If  $p > 1$ ,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $u, v > 0$  with  $v^p \leq u^q < R$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \ln \left( \frac{f(u^q)}{f(v^p)} \right) - \frac{v^p f'(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \ln \left( \frac{u^q}{v^p} \right) \\
 &\leq u^q \left[ \frac{f(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \frac{f'(u^q)}{f(u^q)} - \frac{v^p}{u^q} \frac{f'(v^p)}{f(u^q)} \right] \ln \left( \frac{u^q}{v^p} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{u^q [f'(u^q) + u^q f''(u^q)]}{f(u^q)} - \left( \frac{u^q f'(u^q)}{f(u^q)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \ln \left( \frac{u^q}{v^p} \right). \tag{3.27}$$

**Example 4.**

(a) If we write the inequality (3.21) for the function  $\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n, z \in D(0, 1)$ , then we have for  $\alpha, x \in (0, 1)$  and  $p > 0$  that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p\alpha x^p (1-\alpha)}{(1-\alpha x^p)^2} \ln x - \frac{1-\alpha}{(1-\alpha x^p)} \ln \left( \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha x^p} \right) \\ &\leq p\alpha \left[ \frac{x^p (1-\alpha)}{(1-\alpha x^p)^2} - \frac{1}{1-\alpha x^p} \right] \ln x \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{p\alpha^{1/2}}{1-\alpha} |\ln x|. \end{aligned} \tag{3.28}$$

(b) If we write the inequality (3.21) for the function  $\exp z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n, z \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq [p\alpha x^p \ln x - \alpha (x^p - 1)] \exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] \\ &\leq p\alpha (x^p - 1) \exp [\alpha (x^p - 1)] \ln x \leq \frac{1}{2} p |\ln x| \alpha^{1/2} \end{aligned} \tag{3.29}$$

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

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