

## ON COMPANION INEQUALITIES RELATED TO HEINIG'S

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**Abstract.** A number of companion inequalities related to Heinig's and their discrete analogues are investigated.

### I. Introduction.

In [1], Heinig established the following three inequalities:

**Theorem A.** Let  $p, s, \lambda$  be real numbers satisfying  $p + s > \lambda$ ,  $p > 0$ . If

$$\int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt < \infty,$$

then,

$$\int_0^\infty x^\lambda \exp\left[p x^{-p} \int_0^x t^{p-1} \log |x^{-s} f(t)| dt\right] dx \leq e^{1/p} A \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt, \quad (1)$$

where  $A = p/(p + s - \lambda)$ .

**Theorem B.** Let  $2p - 1 > \lambda - sp$ ,  $p > 0$  and

$$\int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-sp} |f(t)|^p dt < \infty.$$

Then

$$\int_0^\infty x^\lambda \exp\left[p^2 x^{-p} \int_0^x t^{p-1} \log |x^{-s} f(t)| dt\right] dx \leq e B \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-sp} |f(t)|^p dt, \quad (2)$$

where  $B = p/(2p + sp - \lambda - 1)$ .

**Theorem C.** Suppose  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is a non-negative sequence and  $s > 0$ ,  $p \geq 1$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda < s + p$ , If  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-s} a_n = M < \infty$ ,

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then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-sp} \prod (a_n, p) \leq e^{1/p} C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-s} a_n, \quad (3)$$

where  $\prod (a_n, p) = [a_1 a_2^{2^{p-1}} \cdots a_n^{n^{p-1}}]^{p/n^p}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , and  $C = p[1 + 1/(p + s - \lambda)]$ .

The following improvement of the inequalities (1), (2) and (3) are given by Cochran and Lee [3].

**Theorem D.** Let  $p, r$  be real numbers with  $p > 0$ . If

$$\int_0^{\infty} t^r |f(t)| dt < \infty$$

then

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^r \exp[px^{-p} \int_0^x t^{p-1} \log |f(t)| dt] dx \leq e^{(r+1)/p} \int_0^{\infty} t^r |f(t)| dt. \quad (4)$$

**Theorem E.** Let  $p, r$  be real numbers with  $p \geq 1$ ,  $r \geq 0$ . If  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is a sequence of non-negative real numbers less than or equal to unity with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r a_n < \infty$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \prod (a_n, p) \leq e^{(r+1)/p} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r a_n. \quad (5)$$

The purpose of this paper is to establish some companion inequalities that are related to inequalities (1)-(5).

## II. Companion inequalities related to Heinig's.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $p, s, \lambda$  be real numbers satisfying  $p + s < \lambda$ ,  $p < 0$ . If

$$\int_0^{\infty} t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt < \infty,$$

then

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{\lambda} \exp[-px^{-p} \int_x^{\infty} t^{p-1} \log |x^{-s} f(t)| dt] dx \leq e^{1/p} A \int_0^{\infty} t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt, \quad (6)$$

where  $A = p/(p + s - \lambda)$ .

**Proof.** Since

$$e^{1/p} = \exp\left[p \int_1^{\infty} y^{p-1} \log y dy\right]$$

a change of variable shows that (6) has the form

$$\int_0^\infty x^\lambda \exp[-px^{-p} \int_1^\infty x^{p-1} y^{p-1} \log |x^{-s} f(xy)| x dy] dx \leq e^{1/p} A \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt,$$

which is equivalent to

$$\int_0^\infty x^\lambda \exp[-p \int_1^\infty y^{p-1} (\log |x^{-s} y f(xy)|) dy] dx \leq A \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt.$$

But by Jensen's inequality ([5], p.62) the left side of the above inequality is dominated by

$$\begin{aligned} & -p \int_0^\infty x^\lambda \left[ \int_1^\infty |x^{-s} y^p f(xy)| dy \right] dx \\ &= -p \int_1^\infty y^{p+s-\lambda-1} \left[ \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt \right] dy \\ &= A \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-s} |f(t)| dt \end{aligned}$$

which is obtained by an interchange of order of integration which is justified by Fubini's Theorem.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $2p - 1 < \lambda - sp$ ,  $p < 0$  and

$$\int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-sp} |f(t)|^p dt < \infty.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty x^\lambda \exp[-p^2 x^{-p} \int_x^\infty t^{p-1} \log |x^{-s} f(t)| dt] dx \\ & \leq eB \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-sp} |f(t)|^p dt, \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

where  $B = p/(2p + sp - \lambda - 1)$ .

**Proof.** Since

$$e = \exp[p^2 \int_1^\infty y^{p-1} \log y dy]$$

a change of variable shows that (7) has the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty x^\lambda \exp[-p^2 x^{-p} \int_1^\infty x^{p-1} y^{p-1} \log |x^{-s} f(xy)| x dy] dx \\ & \leq eB \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-sp} |f(t)|^p dt \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\int_0^\infty x^\lambda \exp[-p^2 \int_1^\infty y^{p-1} \log |x^{-s} y f(xy)| dy] dx \leq B \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-sp} |f(t)|^p dt.$$

By Jensen's inequality the left side of the above inequality is dominated by

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty x^\lambda \left[ \int_1^\infty |x^{-s} y f(xy)|^p (-p)y^{p-1} dy \right] dx \\ &= -p \int_1^\infty y^{2p-1} \left[ \int_0^\infty x^{\lambda-sp} |f(xy)|^p dx \right] dy \\ &= B \int_0^\infty t^{\lambda-sp} |f(t)|^p dt, \end{aligned}$$

which is obtained by an interchange of order of integration which is justified by Fubini's Theorem.

For the discrete analogue of theorem 1 it is convenient to introduce the following notation. Let  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of non-negative real numbers and  $p < 0$ . Then we write

$$Q(a_n, p) = [a_n^{n^{p-1}} a_{n+1}^{(n+1)^{p-1}} \dots]^{-p/n^p}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

**Theorem 3.** Suppose  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is a non-negative sequence and  $s \leq 0, p \leq -1, \lambda \geq 0$ . If  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-s} a_n = M < \infty$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-sp} Q(a_n, p) \leq e^{1/p} C \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-s} a_n, \tag{8}$$

where  $C = -p[1 + 1/(\lambda - p - s)]$ .

**Proof.** Without loss of generality, we may assume that

$$n^{-s} a_k \leq 1, \quad k = n, n+1, \dots$$

If  $0 < M \leq 1$ , this is obvious.

If  $M > 1$ , then divide both side of (8) by  $M$  to obtain

$$\frac{1}{M} \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-sp} Q\left(\frac{a_n}{M}, p\right) M^\alpha \leq e^{1/p} C \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-s} \frac{a_n}{M}$$

where  $\alpha = (-p \sum_{k=n}^\infty k^{p-1})/n^p \geq 1 \geq p$ .

It follows that

$$\frac{1}{M} \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-sp} Q\left(\frac{a_n}{M}, p\right) \leq e^{1/p} C \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^{\lambda-s} \frac{a_n}{M}$$

Replacing  $a_n/M$  by  $a_n$ , we obtain  $n^{\lambda-s}a_n \leq 1$  and hence  $n^{-s}a_n \leq n^{-\lambda} \leq 1$  which implies  $n^{-s}a_k \leq 1, k = n, n + 1, \dots$ .

Now to prove (8), observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-sp} Q(a_n, p) \\ & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda + \frac{sp}{n^p} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{p-1}} Q(a_n, p) \\ & = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} [n^{-sn^{p-1}} n^{-s(n+1)^{p-1}} \dots] \frac{-p}{n^p} [a_n^{n^{p-1}} a_{n+1}^{(n+1)^{p-1}} \dots] \frac{-p}{n^p} \\ & = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \exp \left[ \frac{-p}{n^p} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{p-1} \log(n^{-s} a_k) \right] \\ & = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \exp \left[ \frac{-p}{n^p} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{p-1} \log(n^{-s} a_k) \right] \\ & = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \exp \left\{ \frac{-p}{n^p} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{p-1} \int_k^{k+1} \log[n^{-s} f(t)] dt \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} a_k, & k < t \leq k + 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

But since  $n^{-s}f(t) \leq 1$  the last equality is dominated by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \exp \left\{ \frac{-p}{n^p} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \int_k^{k+1} t^{p-1} \log[n^{-s} f(t)] dt \right\} \\ & = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \exp \left\{ \frac{-p}{n^p} \int_n^{\infty} t^{p-1} \log[n^{-s} f(t)] dt \right\} \\ & = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \exp \left\{ -p \int_1^{\infty} y^{p-1} \log[n^{-s} f(ny)] dy \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

which is less than or equal to  $Ce^{1/p} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-s} a_n$  if, and only if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \exp \left\{ -p \int_1^{\infty} y^{p-1} \log[n^{-s} y f(ny)] dy \right\} \leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-s} a_n. \tag{9}$$

By Jensen's inequality, the left side of (9) is dominated by

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \left[ -p \int_1^{\infty} y^p n^{-s} f(ny) dy \right] \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda} \left[ -p \int_n^{\infty} t^p n^{-p-s-1} f(t) dt \right] \\
&= -p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-p-s-1} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_k \int_k^{k+1} t^p dt \\
&\leq -p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-p-s-1} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_k k^p \\
&= -p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^p a_k \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-s-p-1} \\
&= -p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^p a_k \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{k-1} n^{\lambda-s-p-1} + k^{\lambda-s-p-1} \right] \\
&\leq -p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^p a_k \left[ \int_0^k t^{\lambda-s-p-1} dt + k^{\lambda-s-p-1} \right] \\
&= -p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^p a_k \left[ k^{\lambda-s-p} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda-s-p} + \frac{1}{k} \right) \right] \\
&\leq -p \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^p a_k \left[ k^{\lambda-s-p} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda-s-p} + 1 \right) \right] \\
&= -p \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\lambda-s-p} \right) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-s} a_n. \\
&= C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\lambda-s} a_n.
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of this theorem.

The following theorem has been proved in [4], here, we give a simple proof which is motivated in part after [3]:

**Theorem 4.** Let  $p, \beta$  be real numbers with  $p < 0$ . If  $\int_0^{\infty} t^{\beta} |f(t)| dt < \infty$  and  $\int_0^{\infty} t^{p-1} \log |f(t)| dt < \infty$ ,  
then

$$\int_0^{\infty} x^{\beta} \exp \left[ -px^{-p} \int_x^{\infty} t^{p-1} \log |f(t)| dt \right] dx \leq \exp \left( \frac{\beta+1}{p} \right) \int_0^{\infty} x^{\beta} |f(x)| dx \quad (10)$$

**Proof.** Consider the following result of Hardy ([2], p.246):

If  $q > 1$ ,  $r < 1$  and  $F(x) = \int_x^\infty |g(t)| dt$ , then

$$\int_0^\infty x^{-r} F^q dx < \left(\frac{q}{1-r}\right)^q \int_0^\infty x^{-r} (x |g|)^q dx.$$

Let  $\alpha = 1 - r > 0$ . Then

$$\int_0^\infty x^{\alpha-1} \left[ \int_x^\infty |g(t)| dt \right]^q dx < \left(\frac{q}{\alpha}\right)^q \int_0^\infty x^{\alpha-1} |g|^q dx.$$

Let  $g(x) = x^{p-1} f^{1/q}$  and set  $\beta = pq + \alpha - 1$ . Then

$$\int_0^\infty x^{\alpha-1} \left[ -p \int_x^\infty t^{p-1} |f(t)|^{1/q} dt \right]^q dx < \left(\frac{-pq}{-pq + \beta + 1}\right)^q \int_0^\infty x^{\alpha-1} x^{pq-\alpha} |f| dx$$

so that

$$\int_0^\infty x^\beta \left[ -px^{-p} \int_x^\infty t^{p-1} |f(t)|^{1/q} dt \right]^q dx < \left(1 - \frac{\beta + 1}{pq}\right)^{-q} \int_0^\infty x^\beta |f| dx$$

The desired inequality is obtained by taking the limit  $q \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Remark 1.** If we set  $\lambda - s = \beta$ , then the left-side of the inequality (6) becomes the left-side of the inequality (10). And the right-side of inequality (6) is equal to

$$e^{1/p} \left(\frac{p}{p-\beta}\right) \int_0^\infty t^\beta |f(t)| dt$$

Since

$$e^{(\beta+1)/p} < e^{1/p} \left(\frac{p}{p-\beta}\right)$$

for  $\lambda - s = \beta > p$ , except  $\beta = 0$ .

This shows that the inequality (6) can not be sharp in general and theorem 4 represents an improvement of theorem 1.

**Remark 2.** If we set  $\lambda - sp = \beta$  and replaced  $|f|^p$  by  $|f|$ , then the left-side of the inequality (7) becomes the left-side of the inequality (10) and the right-side of (7) is equal to

$$e[p/(2p - \beta - 1)] \int_0^\infty t^\beta |f(t)| dt$$

Since

$$e^{(\beta+1)/p} < e[p/(2p - \beta - 1)]$$

for  $\beta > 2p - 1$ , except  $\beta = p - 1$ .

This shows that the inequality (7) can not be sharp in general and theorem 4 represents an improvement of theorem 2.

**Remark 3.** When  $f(t) = t^{b-\beta}e^{-t^{-p/2}}$ , with  $b > -1$ , (10) gives rise to

$$e^{(\beta-b)/p} 2^{2(b+1)/p} \int_0^\infty x^b e^{-x^{-p/2}} dx \leq e^{(\beta+1)/p} \int_0^\infty x^b e^{-x^{-p/2}} dx.$$

By letting  $b \rightarrow -1$ , we readily deduce that the multiplicative constant appearing on the right-hand side of (10) must be best possible.

To prove the finally theorem, which is the principle result in the discrete case, we need the following:

**Lemma.** If  $0 \leq s < 1$  and  $0 \leq s + \alpha \leq 1$ , then

$$[(i+1)^{s+\alpha} - i^{s+\alpha}] \sum_{n=1}^i n^{-s} \leq i^\alpha \frac{s+\alpha}{1-s}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

**Proof.** Since

$$\sum_{n=1}^i n^{-s} \leq \int_0^i x^{-s} dx = \frac{i^{1-s}}{1-s},$$

it follows from mean value theorem that

$$\begin{aligned} & [(i+1)^{s+\alpha} - i^{s+\alpha}] \sum_{n=1}^i n^{-s} \\ & \leq [(i+1)^{s+\alpha} - i^{s+\alpha}] \frac{i^{1-s}}{1-s} \\ & = (s+\alpha) C^{s+\alpha-1} \frac{i^{1-s}}{1-s}, \quad i < C < i+1 \\ & \leq (s+\alpha) i^{s+\alpha-1} \frac{i^{1-s}}{1-s} \\ & = \frac{s+\alpha}{1-s} i^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 5.** Let  $p, r$  be real numbers with  $p \leq -1$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq 1$ . If  $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  is a sequence such that  $0 \leq a_n \leq 1$ ,  $\forall n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^r a_n < \infty$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^\infty n^r Q(a_n, p) \leq (-p) e^{(r-p)/p} \sum_{n=1}^\infty n^r a_n, \quad (11)$$

where

$$Q(a_n, p) = [a_n^{n^{p-1}} a_{n+1}^{(n+1)^{p-1}} \dots]^{-p/n^p}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



Proof. Our demonstration is modelled in part after [3]. Since  $0 \leq a_n \leq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r Q(a_n, p) \\
 = & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \exp \left[ -pn^{-p} \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} i^{p-1} \log a_i \right] \\
 = & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \exp \left[ -pn^{-p} \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \int_i^{i+1} i^{p-1} \log f(t) dt \right] \\
 \leq & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \exp \left[ -pn^{-p} \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} \int_i^{i+1} t^{p-1} \log f(t) dt \right] \\
 = & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \exp \left[ -pn^{-p} \int_n^{\infty} t^{p-1} \log f(t) dt \right] \\
 = & e^{(r-p+s)/p} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \exp \left[ -p \int_1^{\infty} y^{p-1} \log f(ny) dy \right] \\
 & \exp \left[ -p \int_1^{\infty} y^{p-1} \log y^{r-p+s} dy \right] \\
 = & e^{(r-p+s)/p} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \exp \left\{ -p \int_1^{\infty} y^{p-1} \log [y^{r-p+s} f(ny)] dy \right\},
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} a_i, & i < t \leq i+1, \quad i = n, n+1, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

and  $s$  is chosen so that  $0 \leq s < 1$ , and  $0 \leq s + r \leq 1$ . By Jensen's inequality, the final summation is dominated by

$$I = -p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \int_1^{\infty} f(ny) y^{r+s-1} dy$$

and for this equality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= -p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^r \int_n^{\infty} f(t) t^{r+s-1} n^{-r-s+1} n^{-1} dt \\
 &= -p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s} \int_n^{\infty} f(t) t^{r+s-1} dt \\
 &= -p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s} \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} a_i \int_i^{i+1} t^{r+s-1} dt \\
 &= \frac{-p}{r+s} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s} \sum_{i=n}^{\infty} a_i [(i+1)^{r+s} - i^{r+s}] \\
 &= \frac{-p}{r+s} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i [(i+1)^{r+s} - i^{r+s}] \sum_{n=1}^i n^{-s} \\
 &\leq \frac{-p}{r+s} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i i^r \frac{r+s}{1-s} \quad (\text{by Lemma}) \\
 &= \frac{-p}{1-s} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i i^r
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 \leq s < 1$ , and  $0 \leq s+r \leq 1$ , by virtue of the definition of  $f(t)$  and the previous lemma. The proof is completed by noting that

$$-pe^{(r-p)/p} = \min_s \left[ \frac{-p}{1-s} e^{(r-p+s)/p} \right],$$

where the minimum occurs for  $s = 0$ .

**Remark 4.** Since

$$e^{(r-p)/p} \leq e^{1/p} \{1 + [1/(r-p)]\} \quad \text{for } p \leq -1, 0 \leq r \leq 1.$$

If we set  $r = \lambda - s$ , then our inequality (11) of theorem 5 represents a substantial improvement over (8) of theorem 3 in case  $\lambda - s \leq 1$ .

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