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Abstract

Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) and $(Y, \mathcal{B}, \lambda)$ be two probability measure spaces, I an interval of the real line, $f \in L^1(\mu)$, $f(x) \in I$ for each $x \in X$, and φ a real-valued convex function on I . First we show that, if ω_0 and ω_1 are two appropriate weight functions on $X \times Y$, then

$$\varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) \leq \int_Y A(\varphi; F_0(y), F_1(y)) d\lambda(y) \leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu,$$

where A denotes the arithmetic mean of φ on the closed interval with end points $F_0(y)$ and $F_1(y)$, and for λ -almost all $y \in Y$'s

$$F_k(y) = \int_X f(x) \omega_k(x, y) d\mu(x) \quad (k = 0, 1).$$

Then using this refinement, we give some nice applications in refining some important inequalities between means and the information inequality.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, we assume that (X, \mathcal{A}, μ) and $(Y, \mathcal{B}, \lambda)$ are two probability measure spaces, I is an interval of the real line, $f \in L^1(\mu)$, $f(x) \in I$ for each $x \in X$, and φ a real-valued convex function on I . The classical integral form of Jensen's inequality is as follows [2]:

$$\varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) \leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu. \quad (1)$$

We mean a weight function on $X \times Y$, an $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$ -measurable mapping $\omega : X \times Y \longrightarrow [0, +\infty)$; see e.g. [8], such that

$$\int_X \omega(x, y) d\mu(x) = 1 \quad \text{for each } y \in Y,$$

and

$$\int_Y \omega(x, y) d\lambda(y) = 1 \quad \text{for each } x \in X.$$

For example, if X and Y are the unit interval $[0, 1]$ with Lebesgue measure, then

$$\omega(x, y) = 1 + (\sin 2\pi x)(\sin 2\pi y)$$

is a weight function on $[0, 1] \times [0, 1]$.

In [4] the following refinement of Jensen's inequality (1) is achieved.

Theorem A.

With the above assumptions, if ω is a weight function on $X \times Y$, then

$$\int_Y \varphi \left(\int_X f(x) \omega(x, y) d\mu(x) \right) d\lambda(y)$$

is meaningful, and we have

$$\varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) \leq \int_Y \varphi \left(\int_X f(x) \omega(x, y) d\mu(x) \right) d\lambda(y) \leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu. \quad (2)$$

The following important inequality is a consequence of Theorem A:

Corollary B.

If φ is a real-valued convex function on a closed interval $[a, b]$, then we have Hermite-Hadamard inequality:

$$\varphi \left(\frac{a+b}{2} \right) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \varphi(t) dt \leq \frac{\varphi(a) + \varphi(b)}{2}. \quad (3)$$

2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we extend Theorem A for two weight functions. According to the proof of Theorem A, for each weight function ω , the integral $\int_X f(x) \omega(x, y) d\mu(x)$ is existed and finite for λ -almost all $y \in Y$'s. Fix an $\alpha \in I$. Let ω_0 and ω_1 be two weight functions on $X \times Y$. There exists a measurable set E with $\lambda(E) = 0$ such that for each $y \in Y \setminus E$ the integrals

$$F_k(y) := \int_X f(x) \omega_k(x, y) d\mu(x) \quad (k = 0, 1) \quad (4)$$

are existed and finite. We set on E , $F_k(y) = \alpha$ ($k = 0, 1$). Clearly, for each $0 \leq t \leq 1$,

$$\omega_t(x, y) := (1-t)\omega_0(x, y) + t\omega_1(x, y)$$

is a weight function on $X \times Y$, and the integral

$$\int_X f(x) \omega_t(x, y) d\mu(x) = (1-t) \int_X f(x) \omega_0(x, y) d\mu(x) + t \int_X f(x) \omega_1(x, y) d\mu(x)$$

is existed and finite for each $y \in Y \setminus E$. Thus, if for each $0 \leq t \leq 1$, we set

$$F_t(y) := \begin{cases} \int_X f(x) \omega_t(x, y) d\mu(x) & ; y \in Y \setminus E, \\ \alpha & ; y \in E. \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

the function $F_t(y) = (1-t)F_0(y) + tF_1(y) \in I$ belongs to $L^1(\lambda)$; [4].

First we prove the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1

Let η be an arbitrary positive measure on X and $h = u - v : X \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$, where $0 \leq u \leq +\infty$ and $0 \leq v < +\infty$ are measurable functions on X . Now, if $\int_X v d\eta < \infty$, then $\int_X h d\eta$ is meaningful and

$$\int_X h d\eta = \int_X u d\eta - \int_X v d\eta. \quad (6)$$

Proof

Since $h^- \leq v$, we have $\int_X h^- d\eta \leq \int_X v d\eta < \infty$, and so $\int_X h d\eta$ is meaningful. Now, since $h^+ + v = h^- + u$, we have $\int_X h^+ d\eta + \int_X v d\eta = \int_X h^- d\eta + \int_X u d\eta$, and so

$$\int_X h d\eta = \int_X h^+ d\eta - \int_X h^- d\eta = \int_X u d\eta - \int_X v d\eta.$$

□

Theorem 2.2

With the above assumption, $\int_Y A(\varphi; F_0(y), F_1(y)) d\lambda(y)$ is meaningful and

$$\varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) \leq \int_Y A(\varphi; F_0(y), F_1(y)) d\lambda(y) \leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu, \quad (7)$$

where the arithmetic mean A for an arbitrary integrable function g over a closed interval with end points a and b , is defined by

$$A(g; a, b) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(x) dx. \quad (8)$$

Proof

By Theorem A, for each $0 \leq t \leq 1$, $\int_Y \varphi^-(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y) < \infty$ and

$$\varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) \leq \int_Y \varphi(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y) \leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu.$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) + \int_Y \varphi^-(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y) &\leq \int_Y \varphi^+(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y) \\ &\leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu + \int_Y \varphi^-(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y). \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

On the other hand, the function $Y \times [0, 1] \rightarrow I$ with

$$(y, t) \rightarrow \varphi(F_t(y)) = \varphi((1-t)F_0(y) + tF_1(y))$$

is product-measurable. So, integrating each side of (9) with respect to t on $[0, 1]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) + \int_0^1 \int_Y \varphi^-(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y) dt &\leq \int_0^1 \int_Y \varphi^+(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y) dt \\ &\leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu + \int_0^1 \int_Y \varphi^-(F_t(y)) d\lambda(y) dt. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Fix an $s_0 \in \text{int } I$. There is a real number m , such that

$$\varphi(s) \geq m(s - s_0) + \varphi(s_0) \quad (s \in I).$$

Thus,

$$\varphi^-(s) \leq |m(s - s_0) + \varphi(s_0)| \leq |m||s| + |m||s_0| + |\varphi(s_0)| \quad (s \in I).$$

In particular, for each t and y , letting $s = F_t(y)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi^-(F_t(y)) &\leq |m||F_t(y)| + |m||s_0| + |\varphi(s_0)| \\ &\leq |m|((1-t)|F_0(y)| + t|F_1(y)|) + |m||s_0| + |\varphi(s_0)|. \end{aligned}$$

So for each $y \in Y$,

$$\int_0^1 \varphi^-(F_t(y)) dt \leq |m| \frac{|F_0(y)| + |F_1(y)|}{2} + |m||s_0| + |\varphi(s_0)| < \infty \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1),$$

and

$$\int_Y \int_0^1 \varphi^-(F_t(y)) dt d\lambda(y) \leq |m| \|f\|_1 + |m||s_0| + |\varphi(s_0)| < \infty,$$

because,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Y |F_k(y)| d\lambda(y) &= \int_Y \left| \int_X f(x) \omega_k(x, y) d\mu(x) \right| d\lambda(y) \\ &\leq \int_Y \int_X |f(x)| \omega_k(x, y) d\mu(x) d\lambda(y) = \int_X |f(x)| d\mu(x) \int_Y \omega_k(x, y) d\lambda(y) \\ &= \int_X |f(x)| d\mu(x) = \|f\|_1 \quad (k = 0, 1). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, applying Lemma 2.1 for the function $Y \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$ with

$$y \rightarrow \int_0^1 \varphi(F_t(y)) dt = \int_0^1 \varphi^+(F_t(y)) dt - \int_0^1 \varphi^-(F_t(y)) dt,$$

the integral $\int_Y \int_0^1 \varphi(F_t(y)) dt d\lambda(y)$ is meaningful and

$$\int_Y \int_0^1 \varphi(F_t(y)) dt d\lambda(y) = \int_Y \int_0^1 \varphi^+(F_t(y)) dt d\lambda(y) - \int_Y \int_0^1 \varphi^-(F_t(y)) dt d\lambda(y).$$

Now, changing the order of integrations, we conclude from (10) that

$$\varphi \left(\int_X f d\mu \right) \leq \int_Y \int_0^1 \varphi(F_t(y)) dt d\lambda(y) \leq \int_X (\varphi \circ f) d\mu.$$

But,

$$\int_0^1 \varphi(F_t(y)) dt = \int_0^1 \varphi((1-t)F_0(y) + tF_1(y)) dt,$$

which with the change of the variable $u = (1-t)F_0(y) + tF_1(y)$, we have

$$\int_0^1 \varphi(F_t(y)) dt = \frac{1}{F_1(y) - F_0(y)} \int_{F_0(y)}^{F_1(y)} \varphi(u) du = A(\varphi; F_0(y), F_1(y)).$$

This completes the proof. \square

Remark 2.3

In the discrete case, when m and n are two positive integers, and $x_i \in I$ ($1 \leq i \leq m$), considering $X = \{1, \dots, m\}$, $Y = \{1, \dots, n\}$, $\mathcal{A} = 2^X$, $\mathcal{B} = 2^Y$, $\mu\{i\} = \mu_i$, $\lambda\{j\} = \lambda_j$, $f(i) = x_i$ ($i = 1, \dots, m$; $j = 1, \dots, n$), we have [5]:

$$\varphi \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i x_i \right) \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j A(\varphi; F_0(j), F_1(j)) \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \varphi(x_i), \quad (11)$$

where

$$F_k(j) = \sum_{i=1}^m \omega_k(i, j) \mu_i x_i \quad (k = 0, 1; \quad 1 \leq j \leq n).$$

In the following sections, we give some applications of (7) in refining of some important inequalities between means and the information inequality. Considering (11), these are extensions of the results obtained in [5], [6] and [7] previously.

3. APPLICATIONS TO INEQUALITIES BETWEEN MEANS

In this section, we give some refinements of several important inequalities between means, such as, AGM, Ky Fan and Sandor inequalities.

Theorem 3.1 (First refinement of AGM inequality)

With the above assumptions, if $f : X \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ belongs to $L^1(\mu)$, then

$$\exp \left(\int_X \ln f d\mu \right) \leq \exp \int_Y \ln I(F_0(y), F_1(y)) d\lambda(y) \leq \int_X f d\mu, \quad (12)$$

where the identric mean I of each $a, b > 0$, is defined by

$$I(a, b) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{e} \left(\frac{b^b}{a^a} \right)^{\frac{1}{b-a}} & ; a \neq b, \\ a & ; a = b. \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

This is a refinement of AGM inequality $\exp \left(\int_X \ln f d\mu \right) \leq \int_X f d\mu$; see e.g. [8].

Proof

The function $\varphi(t) = -\ln t$ is convex on $(0, +\infty)$, and we have

$$A(\ln; a, b) = \ln I(a, b) \quad (a, b > 0). \quad (14)$$

Now, the assertion follows from (7). \square

Theorem 3.2 (Second refinement of AGM inequality)

With the above assumptions, if $g : X \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ and $\ln g \in L^1(\mu)$, then

$$\exp \left(\int_X \ln g d\mu \right) \leq \int_Y L(\exp(F_0(y)), \exp(F_1(y))) d\lambda(y) \leq \int_X g d\mu, \quad (15)$$

where for λ -almost all $y \in Y$'s

$$F_k(y) = \int_X \ln g(x) \omega_k(x, y) d\mu(x) \quad (k = 0, 1),$$

and the Logarithmic mean L of each $a, b > 0$, is defined by

$$L(a, b) = \begin{cases} \frac{b-a}{\ln \frac{b}{a}} & ; a \neq b, \\ a & a = b. \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

Proof

The function $\varphi(t) = \exp(t)$ is convex on \mathbb{R} , and we have

$$A(\exp; a, b) = L(e^a, e^b) \quad (a, b \in \mathbb{R}). \quad (17)$$

Now, the assertion follows from (7) by taking $f = \ln g$. \square

Theorem 3.3 (A refinement of Ky Fan's inequality)

With the above assumptions, if $f : X \rightarrow (0, \frac{1}{2}]$ belongs to $L^1(\mu)$, then

$$\frac{1 - \int_X f d\mu}{\int_X f d\mu} \leq \exp \int_X \ln \frac{I(1 - F_0(y), 1 - F_1(y))}{I(F_0(y), F_1(y))} d\lambda(y) \leq \exp \int_X \ln \frac{1 - f}{f} d\mu, \quad (18)$$

which is a refinement of Ky Fan's inequality $\frac{1 - \int_X f d\mu}{\int_X f d\mu} \leq \exp \int_X \ln \frac{1 - f}{f} d\mu$; [1].

Proof

The function $\varphi : (0, \frac{1}{2}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $\varphi(t) = \ln \frac{1-t}{t}$ is convex on $I = (0, \frac{1}{2}]$, and we have

$$A(\varphi; a, b) = \ln \frac{I(1 - a, 1 - b)}{I(a, b)} \quad (0 < a, b < 1).$$

Now, the assertion follows from (7). \square

Theorem 3.4 (A refinement of Sandor's inequality)

With the above assumptions, if $f : X \rightarrow (0, \frac{1}{2}]$ belong to $L^1(\mu)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\int_X f d\mu} - \frac{1}{1 - \int_X f d\mu} &\leq \int_X \left(\frac{1}{L(F_0(y), F_1(y))} - \frac{1}{L(1 - F_0(y), 1 - F_1(y))} \right) d\lambda(y) \\ &\leq \int_X \frac{1}{f} d\mu - \int_X \frac{1}{1 - f} d\mu, \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

which is a refinement of Sandor's inequality $\frac{1}{\int_X f d\mu} - \frac{1}{1 - \int_X f d\mu} \leq \int_X \frac{1}{f} d\mu - \int_X \frac{1}{1 - f} d\mu$; see [9] and also [1].

Proof

The function $\varphi : (0, \frac{1}{2}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $\varphi(t) = \frac{1}{t} - \frac{1}{1-t}$ is convex on $(0, \frac{1}{2}]$, and

$$A(\varphi; a, b) = \frac{1}{L(a, b)} - \frac{1}{L(1 - a, 1 - b)}, \quad (0 < a, b < 1).$$

Now, the assertion follows from (7). \square

4. APPLICATIONS TO INFORMATION THEORY

Let (X, \mathcal{A}, η) be a positive measure space and $p, q : X \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$ be \mathcal{A} -measurable and

$$\int_X p d\eta = \int_X q d\eta = 1.$$

The information inequality [3] states that

$$D(p||q) := \int_X p \ln \frac{p}{q} d\eta \geq 0. \quad (20)$$

In this section, we give some refinements of the Information Inequality (20).

Theorem 4.1

With the above assumptions, we have

$$D(p||q) \geq - \int_Y \ln I(F_0(y), F_1(y)) d\lambda(y) \geq 0, \quad (21)$$

where I is the identric mean (13), and for λ -almost all $y \in Y$'s,

$$F_k(y) = \int_X q(x) \omega_k(x, y) d\eta(x) \quad (k = 0, 1).$$

Proof

The function $\varphi(t) = -\ln t$ is convex on $(0, +\infty)$, and so the assertion follows from (7) by considering $d\mu = p d\eta$, $f = \frac{q}{p}$ and (14). \square

Theorem 4.2

With the above assumptions, we have

$$D(p||q) \geq \int_Y \ln \sqrt{(I(F_0(y))^2, (F_1(y))^2)^{\frac{F_0(y)+F_1(y)}{2}}} d\lambda(y) \geq 0 \quad (22)$$

where I is the identric mean (13), and for λ -almost all $y \in Y$'s,

$$F_k(y) = \int_X p(x) \omega_k(x, y) d\eta(x) \quad (k = 0, 1).$$

Proof

The function $\varphi(t) = t \ln t$ is convex on $(0, +\infty)$ and it is easily seen that

$$A(\varphi; a, b) = \frac{a+b}{4} \ln I(a^2, b^2) \quad (a, b > 0).$$

Now, the assertion follows from (7) by considering $d\mu = q d\eta$ and $f = \frac{p}{q}$. \square

Theorem 4.3

With the above assumptions, if $p \ln \frac{p}{q} \in L^1(\eta)$, then

$$D(p||q) \geq - \ln \int_Y L(e^{F_0(y)}, e^{F_1(y)}) d\lambda(y) \geq 0,$$

where L is the logarithmic mean (16), and for λ -almost all $y \in Y$'s

$$F_k(y) = \int_X \ln \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} \omega_k(x, y) p(x) d\eta(x) \quad (k = 0, 1).$$

Proof

The function $\varphi(t) = \exp(t)$ is convex on \mathbb{R} . Now, the assertion follows from (7) by taking $d\mu = p d\eta$, $f = \ln \frac{q}{p}$, and considering (17). \square

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