

736. ON A GENERALISATION OF ESSEEN'S INEQUALITY*

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C. G. ESSEEN has proved (see [1])

$$(1) \quad F(-x-y) \leq 2F(-x)F(-y) \quad (x, y \geq 0),$$

where
$$F(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-t^2/2} dt.$$

A generalisation of the inequality (1) is given in the present paper under weaker conditions for subintegral function.

Theorem 1. *Let the function F be defined by*

$$(2) \quad F(x) = c \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-h(t)} dt \quad (c > 0),$$

where h is convex differentiable function on $(-\infty, +\infty)$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} h(x) = +\infty$. Then

$$(3) \quad F(-x-y) \leq \lambda F(-x)F(-y) \quad (x, y \geq 0),$$

where $\lambda = \frac{1}{F(0)}$. The equality does hold if and only if x or y is the limit point of the closed interval $[-\infty, 0]$.

Proof. First, we shall prove that $F(0)$ is finite, i.e. the integral $\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-h(t)} dt$ is convergent. Assume that the function h has the stationary point $x_0 \in (-\infty, 0)$. In virtue of the condition $h(-\infty) = +\infty$ it follows that h is decreasing on the interval $(-\infty, x_0)$. Let us put $x_1 = x_0 - a$, where $a \in R^+$. If $x_0 > 0$ or h has not a stationary point (i.e. h is monotonic decreasing on $(-\infty, +\infty)$), we shall take $x_1 = 0$. Since the integral $\int_{x_1}^0 e^{-h(t)} dt$ is finite, the integral $\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-h(t)} dt$ will be convergent if and only if $\int_{-\infty}^{x_1} e^{-h(t)} dt < +\infty$.

The tangent of the curve of the function h in x_1 has the form

$$y = h'(x_1)x + h(x_1) - x_1 h'(x_1) = h'(x_1)x + b,$$

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where $b = h(x_1) - x_1 h'(x_1)$ and $h'(x_1) < 0$. On the interval $(-\infty, x_1)$ the curve of h is above of this tangent so that the inequality $h(x) > xh'(x_1) + b$ ($x < x_1$) holds, wherefrom $e^{-h(x)} < e^{-b} e^{-h'(x_1)x}$ ($x < x_1$).

Integrating the last relation we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} e^{-h(x)} dx &< e^{-b} \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} e^{-h'(x_1)x} dx = e^{-b} \left[\frac{e^{-h'(x_1)x}}{-h'(x_1)} \right]_{-\infty}^{x_1} \\ &= \frac{-e^{-b} e^{-x_1 h'(x_1)}}{h'(x_1)} = -\frac{e^{-h(x_1)}}{h'(x_1)} < +\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the integral $\int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-h(t)} dt$ is convergent so that $F(0)$ is finite. Since F is increasing function (because of $F'(x) = ce^{-h(x)} > 0$) it follows that F is limited for each $x \in (-\infty, 0)$.

Introduce the function P by $P(x, y) = \frac{F(-x-y)}{F(-x)}$ ($x, y \geq 0$).

By differentiation we find

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} &= \frac{1}{F(-x)^2} (F'(x)F(-x-y) - F'(-x-y)F(-x)) \\ &= \frac{(F-x)}{F(-x)^2} \left(F(-x-y) - \frac{F'(-x-y)}{F'(-x)} F(-x) \right) \\ &= \frac{ce^{-h(-x)}}{F(-x)^2} \left(F(-x-y) - F(-x)e^{h(-x)-h(-x-y)} \right) = \frac{ce^{-h(-x)}}{F(-x)^2} Q(x, y), \end{aligned}$$

where $Q(x, y) = F(-x-y) - F(-x)e^{h(-x)-h(-x-y)}$ ($x, y \geq 0$).

Since h is convex, the derivative h' is increasing function so that $h'(-x) - h'(-x-y) \geq 0$ for each $x \in (0, +\infty)$ and fixed $y \geq 0$. From this

$$\frac{\partial Q(x, y)}{\partial x} = F(-x) (h'(-x) - h'(-x-y)) e^{h(-x)-h(-x-y)} \geq 0.$$

Thus, Q is increasing function.

Since h is convex and $h(-\infty) = +\infty$, it follows that h is monotonic decreasing on the interval $(-\infty, x_0)$, where x_0 is the point of local minimum of the function h . Hence, for $x \geq 0$ and $y \geq 0$ the inequality $h(-x) - h(-x-y) < 0$ follows for $x > -x_0$ ($x_0 \in (-\infty, 0)$), i.e. for each $x > 0$ if $x_0 > 0$ or the function h has not a stationary point. From above we conclude that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} e^{h(-x)-h(-x-y)} \in (0, 1).$$

In virtue of $F(-\infty) = 0$ we obtain $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} Q(x, y) = 0$. According to this we find $Q(x, y) \leq \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} Q(x, y) = 0$, so that $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} \leq 0$, i.e. the function P is monotonic decreasing on $(0, +\infty)$.

We have now $\frac{F(-x-y)}{F(-x)} = P(x, y) \leq P(0, y) = \frac{F(-y)}{F(0)} = \lambda F(-y)$, which completes the proof of theorem. \square

In particular case, if $c = (2\pi)^{-1/2}$ and $h(t) = \frac{t^2}{2}$ we obtain the inequality (1).

Let the function h , besides convexity, satisfies the condition $h(-x) = h(x)$. The following assertion is true.

Theorem 2. Let the function f be defined by

$$(4) \quad f(x) = b \int_0^x e^{-h(kt)} dt \quad (b > 0, k \in \mathbf{R}).$$

Then

$$(5) \quad f(x) + f(y) - f(x+y) \leq \mu \lambda f(x) f(y),$$

where $\mu = \frac{ck}{b}$ and $\lambda = \frac{1}{F(0)}$.

Proof. For $x \geq 0$ we have

$$F(-x) = c \int_{-\infty}^{-x} e^{-h(t)} dt = c \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-h(t)} dt - c \int_{-x}^0 e^{-h(t)} dt.$$

Substituting $t = -ku$ in the second integral,, we obtain

$$F(-x) = F(0) - ck \int_0^{x/k} e^{-h(ku)} du = F(0) - \frac{ck}{b} f\left(\frac{x}{k}\right)$$

or

$$(6) \quad F(-kx) = F(0) - \mu f(x) \quad \left(\mu = \frac{ck}{b}\right).$$

Using (3) and (6) we find

$$F(0) - \mu f(x+y) \leq \frac{1}{F(0)} (F(0) - \mu f(x)) (F(0) - \mu f(y)),$$

wherefrom the inequality (5) follows. \square

In particular case, if $h(t) = \frac{t^2}{2}$, $k = \sqrt{2}$ and $b = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}}$, we obtain the known inequality (see [3], [2, p. 285])

$$f(x)f(y) \geq f(x) + f(y) - f(x+y).$$

The next theorem gives an inequality which can be connected with (5).

Theorem 3. Let h be convex differentiable and nondecreasing function on $[0, +\infty)$ with the asymptote $s(x) = ax - b$ ($a > 0, b > 0$). Then, for the function g , defined by

$$g(x) = c \int_0^x e^{-h(t)} dt \quad (c > 0, x \geq 0),$$

the inequality

$$(7) \quad e^{-ay} g(x) \leq g(x+y) - g(y) \quad (y \geq 0)$$

is valid. The equality holds if and only if x or y is the limit point of the closed interval $[0, +\infty]$.

Proof. On the basis of the mean value theorem we can write for $y \geq 0$

$$h(x+y) - h(x) = yh'(x+\theta y) \leq ay \quad (0 \leq \theta \leq 1),$$

wherefrom $e^{-h(x)} \leq e^{ay} \cdot e^{-h(x+y)}$.

After integration and multiplication with constant c , we obtain

$$c \cdot e^{-ay} \int_0^x e^{-h(t)} dt \leq c \int_0^x e^{-h(t+y)} dt = c \int_y^{x+y} e^{-h(t)} dt = c \int_0^{x+y} e^{-h(t)} dt - c \int_0^y e^{-h(t)} dt,$$

i.e. $e^{-ay} g(x) \leq g(x+y) - g(y) \quad (x, y \geq 0)$.

Substituting x and y one another, we get

$$(8) \quad e^{-ax} g(y) \leq g(x+y) - g(x) \quad (x, y \geq 0).$$

Since both hand-side in (7) and (8) are positive, we can multiply the inequalities (7) and (8). We have

i.e. $e^{-a(x+y)} g(x) g(y) \leq g(x+y) (g(x+y) - g(x) - g(y)) + g(x) g(y)$,

$$(9) \quad g(x) g(y) \geq \frac{g(x+y)}{1 - e^{-a(x+y)}} (g(x) + g(y) - g(x+y)).$$

If the function h has not an asymptote, that is $a = \lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{h(x)}{x} = +\infty$, the inequality (9) becomes $g(x) g(y) \geq g(x+y) (g(x) + g(y) - g(x+y))$.

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O JEDNOM UOPŠTENJU ESSEENOVE NEJEDNAKOSTI

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U radu je dato jedno uopštenje ESSEENOVE nejednakosti [1] pod slabijim uslovima za podintegralnu funkciju. Polazeći od predloženih rezultata dokazane su neke funkcionalne nejednakosti za konveksne funkcije.