

## MONOTONICITY AND CONVEXITY OF S-MEANS

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*Abstract.* For real  $\alpha, r, s$  and positive  $x, y$  we define S-means by

$$S(\alpha; r, s; x, y) = \frac{E(r, s; x^{\alpha+1}, y^{\alpha+1})}{E(r, s; x^\alpha, y^\alpha)},$$

where  $E$  is the Stolarsky mean.  $S$  contains Gini, Heronian and many other known means.

In this paper we investigate convexity properties of  $S(\alpha)$  and obtain new inequalities between Gini, Heronian and Stolarsky means.

The results lead to new inequalities for generalized Heronian means and reveal new properties of Stolarsky means.

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