

MONOTONICITY AND CONVEXITY OF THE RATIOS OF THE FIRST KIND MODIFIED BESSEL FUNCTIONS AND APPLICATIONS

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Abstract. Let $I_v(x)$ be modified Bessel functions of the first kind. We prove the monotonicity property of the function $x \mapsto I_u(x)I_v(x)/I_{(u+v)/2}(x)^2$ on $(0, \infty)$. As a direct consequence, it deduces some known results including Turán-type inequalities and log-convexity or log-concavity of I_v in v , as well as it yields some new and interesting monotonicity and convexity concerning the ratios of modified Bessel functions of the first kind. In addition, a few of sharp bounds involving $I_v(x)$ and their ratios are presented.

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