

## NEW BOUNDS FOR THE IDENTRIC AND LOGARITHMIC MEANS

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**Abstract.** We assume that the numbers  $x$  and  $y$  are positive and unequal. Let  $H(x, y)$ ,  $G(x, y)$ ,  $L(x, y)$ ,  $I(x, y)$ , and  $A(x, y)$  be the harmonic, geometric, logarithmic, identric, and arithmetic means of  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively. In this paper we present new bounds for the identric and logarithmic means. For example, we prove that the inequality  $\frac{5}{6}A^p + \frac{1}{6}H^p < I^p$  holds for  $0 < p \leq 12/25$ , and the reverse inequality holds for  $p \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [1, \infty)$ . We prove  $L^p < \frac{2}{3}G^p + \frac{1}{3}A^p$  for  $p \in (-\infty, 0) \cup [4/5, \infty)$ .

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