

OPTIMAL BOUNDS FOR THE SÁNDOR MEAN IN TERMS OF THE COMBINATION OF GEOMETRIC AND ARITHMETIC MEANS

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Abstract. In this paper, we prove that $\lambda = 1/2 - \sqrt{1 - e^{-2/p}}/2$ and $\mu = 1/2 - \sqrt{6p}/(6p)$ are the best possible parameters on the interval $(0, 1/2)$ such that the double inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} G^p [\lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b, \lambda b + (1 - \lambda)a] A^{1-p}(a, b) &< X(a, b) \\ &< G^p [\mu a + (1 - \mu)b, \mu b + (1 - \mu)a] A^{1-p}(a, b) \end{aligned}$$

hold for all $p \in [1, \infty)$ and $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$, where $G(a, b)$ is the geometric mean, $A(a, b)$ is the arithmetic mean, and $X(a, b)$ is the Sándor mean.

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