HARMONIC AVERAGE, ARITHMETIC AVERAGE AND QUADRATIC AVERAGE

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ABSTRACT

In mathematics, functional equations are very difficult and arise all areas of mathematics, even more, science, engineering, and social sciences. They appear at all levels of mathematics. The theory of functional equations were born very early. Many authors studied functional equations. In this artical, we study some problems about harmonic average, arithmetic average and quadratic average.

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1. PRELIMINARIES

In this artical, we would like to look at some expressions

$$\frac{2xy}{x+y}, \forall x, y \in R \setminus \{0\}, x+y \neq 0;$$

$$\frac{f(x)+f(y)}{2}, x, y \in R^+;$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{\left[f(x)\right]^2 + \left[f(y)\right]^2}{2}}x, y \in R^+.$$

In this paper, we use method of substitution

- +) Example, let x = u such that f(u) appears much in the equation.
- +) Let x = u, y = v interchange to refer f(u) and f(v).
- +) Let f(0) = b, f(1) = b.
- +) If f is surjection, exist b: f(b) = 0. Choice x, y to destroy f(g(x, y)) in the equation. The function has x, we show that it is injective or surjection.
- +) To occur f(x).
- +) f(x) = f(y) for all $x, y \in A$. Hence f(x) = const for all $x \in A$.

On the other hand, we use math induction and the continuos of function.

2. FROM HARMONIC AVERAGE TO ARITHMETIC AVERAGE AND QUADRATIC AVERAGE

In this part, we would like to look at some problems from geometric average to arithmetic average and quadratic average.

2.1. Problem 1 (From arithmetic mean to arithmetic mean). Determine all functions f(x) continuous on R such that:

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$$f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) = \frac{f(x)+f(y)}{2}; \forall x, y \in R. (1)$$

Solution. Let f(0) = b and f(x) = b + g(x). Then g(0) = 0. Replacing (1), we get

$$b+g\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) = \frac{b+g(x)+g(y)}{2}; \forall x, y \in R.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow g\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) = \frac{g(x)+g(y)}{2}; \forall x, y \in R.$$
 (2)

With g(0) = 0.

Let y = 0. Then (2), we have

$$g\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \frac{g(x)}{2},$$

or

$$g\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) = \frac{g(x)+g(y)}{2}; \forall x, y \in R.$$

Replacing (2), we have

$$g\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) = \frac{g(x)+g(y)}{2}; \forall x, y \in R.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow g(x+y) = g(x)+g(y); x, y \in R. \quad (3)$$

Since g(x) is continuous on R. Then (3) is Cauchy function. Then g(x) = ax.

We get f(x)=ax+b, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

We can check directly f(x)=ax+b, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. satisfies (1).

Hence,

$$f(x)=ax+b$$
, a, $b \in \mathbb{R}$.

2.2. Problem 2. Determine all functions $f: R \setminus \{0\} \to R$ which are continuous on R and satisfy the equation

$$f\left(\frac{2xy}{x+y}\right) = \frac{f(x)+f(y)}{2}, \forall x, y \in R \setminus \{0\}, x+y \neq 0.$$
 (4)

Solution. Let $\frac{1}{x} = u$, $\frac{1}{y} = v$. Replacing (4), we have

$$f\left(\frac{2}{u+v}\right) = \frac{f\left(\frac{1}{u}\right) + f\left(\frac{1}{v}\right)}{2}, \forall u, v \in R \setminus \{0\}.$$

Setting $f\left(\frac{1}{u}\right) = g\left(u\right), u \in R \setminus \{0\}$. $g\left(u\right)$ is continous on $R \setminus \{0\}$, we have

$$g\left(\frac{u+v}{2}\right) = \frac{g(u)+g(v)}{2}, \forall u,v \in R.$$

By Problem 1, we have

$$g(u) = au + b; \forall a, b \in R.$$

Hence,

$$f(x) = \frac{a}{x} + b; a, b \in R.$$

Simple checking shows $f(x) = \frac{a}{x} + b; a, b \in R$ satisfy (4).

There for,

$$f(x) = \frac{a}{x} + b; a, b \in R$$

2.3. Problem 3. Determine all functions $f: R \setminus \{0\} \to R$ which are continuous on R and satisfy the equation

$$f\left(\frac{2xy}{x+y}\right) = \frac{\sqrt{\left[f(x)\right]^2 + \left[f(y)\right]^2}}{2}, \forall x, y \in R \setminus \{0\}, x+y \neq 0. \quad (5)$$

Solution. By assumption, we have $f(x) = f(|x|), \forall x \in R$.

Setting $|x| = \sqrt{u}, |y| = \sqrt{v}, u, v \ge 0$. From (5), we get

$$f\left(\sqrt{\frac{u+v}{2}}\right) = \frac{f\left(\sqrt{u}\right) + f\left(\sqrt{v}\right)}{2}, \forall u, v \ge 0.$$

Setting $f(\sqrt{u}) = g(u), u \ge 0$, we have

$$g\left(\frac{u+v}{2}\right) = \frac{g(u)+g(v)}{2}, \forall u,v \in R.$$

By Problem 1, we have

$$g(u) = au + b; \forall a, b \in R.$$

So
$$f(\sqrt{u}) = g(u) = au + b, a, b \in R$$
. Then $f(u) = au^2 + b, a, b \in R$.

Hence

$$f(x) = ax^2 + b, a, b \in R.$$

We can check directly $f(x) = ax^2 + b, a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. satisfies (5).

There for,

$$f(x) = ax^2 + b, a, b \in R.$$

3. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, we establish some problems from harmonic average to arithmetic average and quadratic average. It is very good for teachers and students.

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