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Sharp bounds for Toader mean in terms of arithmetic, quadratic, and Neuman means

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Abstract

In this paper, we present the best possible parameters $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\lambda, \mu \in (1/2, 1)$ such that the double inequalities $\alpha N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \alpha)A(a, b) < T^*(a, b) < \beta N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \beta)A(a, b)$, $Q[\lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b, \lambda b + (1 - \lambda)a] < T^*(a, b) < Q[\mu a + (1 - \mu)b, \mu b + (1 - \mu)a]$ hold for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$, where $T^*(a, b)$, $A(a, b)$, $Q(a, b)$ and $N_{QA}(a, b)$ are the Toader, arithmetic, quadratic, and Neuman means of a and b , respectively.

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1 Introduction

For $a, b > 0$ the Toader mean $T^*(a, b)$ [1] is given by

$$T^*(a, b) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{a^2 \cos^2 \theta + b^2 \sin^2 \theta} \, d\theta. \tag{1.1}$$

It is well known that the Toader mean satisfies

$$T^*(a, b) = R_E(a^2, b^2)$$

for all $a, b > 0$, where

$$R_E(a, b) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{[a(t+b) + b(t+a)]t}{(t+a)^{3/2}(t+b)^{3/2}} \, dt$$

stands for the symmetric complete elliptic integral of the second kind (see [2–4]), therefore it cannot be expressed in terms of the elementary transcendental functions.

Recently, the Toader mean $T^*(a, b)$ has been the subject of intensive research. In particular, many remarkable inequalities for the Toader mean can be found in the literature [5–12].

Let $p \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a, b > 0$. Then the p th power mean $M_p(a, b)$ is defined by

$$M_p(a, b) = \left(\frac{a^p + b^p}{2} \right)^{1/p} \quad (p \neq 0), \quad M_0(a, b) = \sqrt{ab}.$$

It is well known that $M_p(a, b)$ is continuous and strictly increasing with respect to $p \in \mathbb{R}$ for fixed $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$.

Vuorinen [13] conjectured that the inequality

$$M_{3/2}(a, b) < T^*(a, b) \tag{1.2}$$

holds for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$. This conjecture was proved by Qiu and Shen [14], and Barnard *et al.* [15], respectively.

Alzer and Qiu [16] presented a best possible upper power mean bound for the Toader mean as follows:

$$T^*(a, b) < M_{\log 2 / (\log \pi - \log 2)}(a, b)$$

for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$.

Chu *et al.* [17] proved that the inequality

$$T^*(a, b) < T(a, b) \tag{1.3}$$

holds for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$, where $T(a, b) = (a - b) / [2 \arctan((a - b) / (a + b))]$ is the second Seiffert mean.

Another important mean of two positive real numbers a and b is the Schwab-Borchardt mean [18, 19]

$$SB(a, b) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - a^2}}{\arccos(a/b)}, & a < b, \\ \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}}{\cosh^{-1}(a/b)}, & a > b, \\ a, & a = b, \end{cases}$$

where $\cosh^{-1}(x) = \log(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1})$ is the inverse hyperbolic cosine function.

It is well known that the Schwab-Borchardt mean $SB(a, b)$ is strictly increasing in both a and b , nonsymmetric and homogeneous of degree 1. Many symmetric bivariate means are special cases of the Schwab-Borchardt mean. For example, $P(a, b) = (a - b) / [2 \arcsin((a - b) / (a + b))] = SB[G(a, b), A(a, b)]$ is the first Seiffert mean, $T(a, b) = (a - b) / [2 \arctan((a - b) / (a + b))] = SB[A(a, b), Q(a, b)]$ is the second Seiffert mean, $M(a, b) = (a - b) / [2 \sinh^{-1}((a - b) / (a + b))] = SB[Q(a, b), A(a, b)]$ is the Neuman-Sándor mean, $L(a, b) = (a - b) / [2 \tanh^{-1}((a - b) / (a + b))] = SB[A(a, b), G(a, b)]$ is the logarithmic mean, where $G(a, b) = \sqrt{ab}$, $A(a, b) = (a + b) / 2$ and $Q(a, b) = \sqrt{(a^2 + b^2) / 2}$ are the geometric, arithmetic, and quadratic means of a and b , respectively.

Very recently, Neuman [20] introduced the Neuman mean,

$$N(a, b) = \frac{1}{2} \left[a + \frac{b^2}{SB(a, b)} \right],$$

and presented the explicit formula for $N_{AQ}(a, b) \equiv N[A(a, b), Q(a, b)]$ as follows:

$$N_{AQ}(a, b) = \frac{1}{2} A(a, b) \left[1 + (1 + v^2) \frac{\arctan(v)}{v} \right] \tag{1.4}$$

and proved that the double inequality

$$T(a, b) < N_{AQ}(a, b) < Q(a, b) \tag{1.5}$$

holds for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$, where $v = (a - b)/(a + b)$.

Inequalities (1.2), (1.3), and (1.5) lead to

$$A(a, b) = M_1(a, b) < M_{3/2}(a, b) < T^*(a, b) < N_{AQ}(a, b) < Q(a, b) \tag{1.6}$$

for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$.

Let $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$ be fixed and $f(x) = Q[xa + (1 - x)b, xb + (1 - x)a]$. Then it is not difficult to verify that $f(x)$ is continuous and strictly increasing on $[1/2, 1]$. Note that

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = A(a, b) < T^*(a, b) < Q(a, b) = f(1). \tag{1.7}$$

Motivated by inequalities (1.6) and (1.7), it is natural to ask: what are the best possible parameters $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\lambda, \mu \in (1/2, 1)$ such that the double inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \alpha)A(a, b) < T^*(a, b) < \beta N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \beta)A(a, b), \\ Q[\lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b, \lambda b + (1 - \lambda)a] < T^*(a, b) < Q[\mu a + (1 - \mu)b, \mu b + (1 - \mu)a] \end{aligned}$$

hold for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$? The main purpose of this paper is to answer this question.

2 Lemmas

In order to prove our main results we need several lemmas, which we present in this section.

For $r \in (0, 1)$ the complete elliptic integrals $\mathcal{K}(r)$ and $\mathcal{E}(r)$ of the first and second kinds are defined by

$$\mathcal{K}(r) = \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - r^2 \sin^2 t)^{-1/2} dt$$

and

$$\mathcal{E}(r) = \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - r^2 \sin^2 t)^{1/2} dt,$$

respectively. We clearly see that

$$\mathcal{K}(0^+) = \mathcal{E}(0^+) = \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \mathcal{K}(1^-) = \infty, \quad \mathcal{E}(1^-) = 1,$$

and the Toader mean $T^*(a, b)$ given by (1.1) can be expressed as

$$T^*(a, b) = \begin{cases} 2a\mathcal{E}(\sqrt{1 - (b/a)^2})/\pi, & a > b, \\ 2b\mathcal{E}(\sqrt{1 - (a/b)^2})/\pi, & a < b, \\ a, & a = b, \end{cases} \tag{2.1}$$

$\mathcal{K}(r)$ and $\mathcal{E}(r)$ satisfy the formulas (see [21], Appendix E, p.474,475)

$$\frac{d\mathcal{K}(r)}{dr} = \frac{\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)}{r(1 - r^2)}, \quad \frac{d\mathcal{E}(r)}{dr} = \frac{\mathcal{E}(r) - \mathcal{K}(r)}{r},$$

$$\mathcal{E}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{r}}{1+r}\right) = \frac{2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1-r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)}{1+r}.$$

Lemma 2.1 (See [21], Theorem 1.25) *Let $-\infty < a < b < \infty, f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$ be continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , and $g'(x) \neq 0$ on (a, b) . If $f'(x)/g'(x)$ is increasing (decreasing) on (a, b) , then so are*

$$\frac{f(x) - f(a)}{g(x) - g(a)}, \quad \frac{f(x) - f(b)}{g(x) - g(b)}.$$

If $f'(x)/g'(x)$ is strictly monotone, then the monotonicity in the conclusion is also strict.

Lemma 2.2 (See [21], Theorem 3.21) (1) *The function $r \mapsto [\mathcal{E}(r) - (1-r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)]/r^2$ is strictly increasing from $(0, 1)$ onto $(\pi/4, 1)$.*

(2) *The function $r \mapsto (1-r^2)^\lambda \mathcal{K}(r)$ is strictly decreasing from $(0, 1)$ onto $(0, \pi/2)$ if $\lambda \geq 1/4$.*

Lemma 2.3 *The function $r \mapsto [2(1-r^2)\mathcal{E}(r) - \pi]/r^2$ is strictly increasing from $(0, 1)$ onto $(-5\pi/4, -\pi)$.*

Proof Let $f_1(r) = 2(1-r^2)\mathcal{E}(r) - \pi, f_2(r) = r^2$ and $f(r) = [2(1-r^2)\mathcal{E}(r) - \pi]/r^2$. Then

$$f_1(0^+) = f_2(0) = 0, \quad f(r) = \frac{f_1(r)}{f_2(r)}, \tag{2.2}$$

$$f(1^-) = -\pi \tag{2.3}$$

and simple computations lead to

$$\frac{f_1'(r)}{f_2'(r)} = -3\mathcal{E}(r) + \frac{\mathcal{E}(r) - (1-r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)}{r^2}. \tag{2.4}$$

It follows from Lemma 2.2(1), (2.2), and (2.4) that $f_1'(r)/f_2'(r)$ is strictly increasing on $(0, 1)$ and

$$f(0^+) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{f_1'(r)}{f_2'(r)} = -\frac{5\pi}{4}. \tag{2.5}$$

Therefore, Lemma 2.3 follows from Lemma 2.1, (2.2), (2.3), (2.5), and the monotonicity of $f_1'(r)/f_2'(r)$. □

Lemma 2.4 *Let $p \in (0, 1), r \in (0, 1)$ and*

$$f(r) = \frac{4[\mathcal{E}(r) - (1-r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)]}{r^2} + \frac{2(1-r^2)\mathcal{E}(r) - \pi}{r^2} + \pi(1-p). \tag{2.6}$$

Then the following statements are true:

- (1) *If $p = 3/4$, then $f(r) > 0$ for all $r \in (0, 1)$;*
- (2) *If $p = 4(4 - \pi)/[\pi(\pi - 2)] = 0.9573 \dots$, then there exists $r_0 \in (0, 1)$ such that $f(r) < 0$ for $r \in (0, r_0)$ and $f(r) > 0$ for $r \in (r_0, 1)$.*

Proof For part (1), if $p = 3/4$, then (2.6) becomes

$$f(r) = \frac{4[\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)]}{r^2} + \frac{2(1 - r^2)\mathcal{E}(r) - \pi}{r^2} + \frac{\pi}{4},$$

and Lemma 2.2(1) and Lemma 2.3 lead to

$$f(r) > 4 \times \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{5\pi}{4} + \frac{\pi}{4} = 0$$

for all $r \in (0, 1)$.

For part (2), if $p = 4(4 - \pi)/[\pi(\pi - 2)]$, then it follows from Lemma 2.2(1), Lemma 2.3, and (2.6) that

$$f(0^+) = -\frac{64 - 3\pi^2 - 10\pi}{4(\pi - 2)} = -0.6515 \dots < 0, \tag{2.7}$$

$$f(1^-) = \frac{8(\pi - 3)}{\pi - 2} = 0.9922 \dots > 0 \tag{2.8}$$

and $f(r)$ is strictly increasing on $(0, 1)$.

Therefore, part (2) follows from (2.7) and (2.8) together with the monotonicity of $f(r)$. □

3 Main results

Theorem 3.1 *The double inequality*

$$\alpha N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \alpha)A(a, b) < T^*(a, b) < \beta N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \beta)A(a, b) \tag{3.1}$$

holds for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$ if and only if $\alpha \leq 3/4$ and $\beta \geq 4(4 - \pi)/[\pi(\pi - 2)] = 0.9573 \dots$.

Proof Since $A(a, b)$, $T^*(a, b)$ and $N_{AQ}(a, b)$ are symmetric and homogeneous of degree 1, without loss of generality, we assume that $a > b$. Let $r = (a - b)/(a + b) \in (0, 1)$ and $p \in (0, 1)$. Then (2.1) leads to

$$T^*(a, b) = \frac{2}{\pi}A(a, b)[2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)]. \tag{3.2}$$

It follows from (1.4), Lemma 2.2(2), and (3.2) that

$$\frac{T^*(a, b) - A(a, b)}{N_{AQ}(a, b) - A(a, b)} = \frac{\frac{2}{\pi}[2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)] - 1}{\frac{(1+r^2)\arctan(r)}{2r} - \frac{1}{2}}, \tag{3.3}$$

$$T^*(a, b) - [pN_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - p)A(a, b)] = \frac{p(1 + r^2)}{2r}A(a, b)F(r), \tag{3.4}$$

where

$$F(r) = \frac{4r[2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)] + \pi(p - 2)r}{p\pi(1 + r^2)} - \arctan(r),$$

$$F(0^+) = 0, \tag{3.5}$$

$$F(1^-) = \frac{4(4 - \pi) + p\pi(2 - \pi)}{4p\pi}, \tag{3.6}$$

$$F'(r) = \frac{2r^2}{p\pi(1 + r^2)^2}f(r), \tag{3.7}$$

where $f(r)$ is defined as in Lemma 2.4.

We divide the proof into two cases.

Case 1 $p = 3/4$. Then Lemma 2.4(1) and (3.7) lead to the conclusion that $F(r)$ is strictly increasing on $(0, 1)$. Therefore,

$$T^*(a, b) > \frac{3}{4}N_{AQ}(a, b) + \frac{1}{4}A(a, b)$$

follows from (3.4) and (3.5) together with the monotonicity of $F(r)$.

Case 2 $p = 4(4 - \pi)/[\pi(\pi - 2)]$. Then (3.6) becomes

$$F(1^-) = 0, \tag{3.8}$$

and Lemma 2.4(2) and (3.7) imply that there exists $r_0 \in (0, 1)$ such that $F(r)$ is strictly decreasing on $(0, r_0]$ and strictly increasing on $[r_0, 1)$. Therefore,

$$T^*(a, b) < \frac{4(4 - \pi)}{\pi(\pi - 2)}N_{AQ}(a, b) + \left[1 - \frac{4(4 - \pi)}{\pi(\pi - 2)}\right]A(a, b)$$

follows from (3.4), (3.5), (3.8), and the piecewise monotonicity of $F(r)$.

Next, we prove that $\alpha = 3/4$ and $\beta = 4(4 - \pi)/[\pi(\pi - 2)]$ are the best possible parameters such that the double inequality (3.1) holds for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$. It is not difficult to verify that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{2}{\pi}[2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)] - 1}{\frac{(1+r^2)\arctan(r)}{2r} - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{3}{4}, \tag{3.9}$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{\frac{2}{\pi}[2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)] - 1}{\frac{(1+r^2)\arctan(r)}{2r} - \frac{1}{2}} = \frac{4(4 - \pi)}{\pi(\pi - 2)}. \tag{3.10}$$

If $\alpha > 3/4$, then (3.3) and (3.9) imply that there exists $0 < \delta_1 < 1$ such that

$$T^*(a, b) < \alpha N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \alpha)A(a, b)$$

for all $a > b > 0$ with $(a - b)/(a + b) \in (0, \delta_1)$.

If $\beta < 4(4 - \pi)/[\pi(\pi - 2)]$, then (3.3) and (3.10) imply that there exists $0 < \delta_2 < 1$ such that

$$T^*(a, b) > \beta N_{AQ}(a, b) + (1 - \beta)A(a, b)$$

for all $a > b > 0$ with $(a - b)/(a + b) \in (1 - \delta_2, 1)$. □

Theorem 3.2 *Let $\lambda, \mu \in (1/2, 1)$. Then the double inequality*

$$Q[\lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b, \lambda b + (1 - \lambda)a] < T^*(a, b) < Q[\mu a + (1 - \mu)b, \mu b + (1 - \mu)a] \tag{3.11}$$

holds for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$ if and only if $\lambda \leq 1/2 + \sqrt{2}/4 = 0.8535 \dots$ and $\mu \geq 1/2 + \sqrt{16/\pi^2 - 1}/2 = 0.8940 \dots$.

Proof Without loss of generality, we assume that $a > b > 0$. Let $r = (a - b)/(a + b) \in (0, 1)$ and $p \in (0, 1)$. Then from (3.2) and

$$Q[pa + (1 - p)b, pb + (1 - p)a] = A(a, b)\sqrt{(2p - 1)^2r^2 + 1}$$

we get

$$\begin{aligned} T^*(a, b) - Q[pa + (1 - p)b, pb + (1 - p)a] &= \left[\frac{2}{\pi} (2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)) - \sqrt{(2p - 1)^2r^2 + 1} \right] A(a, b) \\ &= \frac{g(r)}{\frac{2}{\pi} (2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)) + \sqrt{(2p - 1)^2r^2 + 1}} A(a, b), \end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

where

$$g(r) = \frac{4}{\pi^2} [2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)]^2 - (2p - 1)^2r^2 - 1, \tag{3.13}$$

$$g(0^+) = 0, \tag{3.14}$$

$$g(1^-) = \frac{16}{\pi^2} - (2p - 1)^2 - 1. \tag{3.15}$$

Let

$$g_1(r) = g'(r)/r. \tag{3.16}$$

Then (3.13) and Lemma 2.2 lead to

$$g_1(r) = \frac{8}{\pi^2} [2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)] \frac{\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)}{r^2} - 2(2p - 1)^2, \tag{3.17}$$

$$g_1(0^+) = 1 - 2(2p - 1)^2, \tag{3.18}$$

$$g_1(1^-) = \frac{16}{\pi^2} - 2(2p - 1)^2. \tag{3.19}$$

We divide the proof into two cases.

Case 1 $p = 1/2 + \sqrt{2}/4$. Then (3.18) becomes

$$g_1(0^+) = 0. \tag{3.20}$$

From Lemma 2.2(1) and $d[2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)]/dr = [\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)]/r$ we know that the function $r \mapsto 2\mathcal{E}(r) - (1 - r^2)\mathcal{K}(r)$ is strictly increasing on $(0, 1)$. Then from Lemma 2.2(1) and (3.17) together with (3.20) we know that $g_1(r)$ is strictly increasing on $(0, 1)$ and

$$g_1(r) > g_1(0^+) = 0 \tag{3.21}$$

for $r \in (0, 1)$. Therefore,

$$T^*(a, b) > Q \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) a + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) b, \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) b + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \right) a \right]$$

follows from (3.12), (3.14), (3.16), and (3.21).

Case 2 $p = 1/2 + \sqrt{16/\pi^2 - 1}/2$. Then (3.15), (3.18), and (3.19) lead to

$$g(1^-) = 0, \tag{3.22}$$

$$g_1(0^+) = -\frac{32 - 3\pi^2}{\pi^2} < 0, \tag{3.23}$$

$$g_1(1^-) = \frac{2\pi^2 - 16}{\pi^2} > 0. \tag{3.24}$$

It follows from (3.16), (3.23), and (3.24) together with the monotonicity of $g_1(r)$ that there exists $r^* \in (0, 1)$ such that $g(r)$ is strictly decreasing on $(0, r^*]$ and strictly increasing on $[r^*, 1)$. Therefore,

$$T^*(a, b) < Q[pa + (1 - p)b, pb + (1 - p)a]$$

follows from (3.12), (3.14), (3.22), and the piecewise monotonicity of $g(r)$.

Next, we prove that $\lambda = 1/2 + \sqrt{2}/4$ and $\mu = 1/2 + \sqrt{16/\pi^2 - 1}/2$ are the best possible parameters in $(1/2, 1)$ such that the double inequality (3.11) holds for all $a, b > 0$ with $a \neq b$.

If $1/2 + \sqrt{2}/4 < p < 1$, then (3.18) leads to

$$g_1(0^+) < 0. \tag{3.25}$$

Equations (3.12), (3.14), and (3.16) and inequality (3.25) imply that there exists $\delta_3 \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$T^*(a, b) < Q[pa + (1 - p)b, pb + (1 - p)a]$$

for all $a > b > 0$ with $(a - b)/(a + b) \in (0, \delta_3)$.

If $1/2 < p < 1/2 + \sqrt{16/\pi^2 - 1}/2$, then (3.15) leads to

$$g(1^-) > 0. \tag{3.26}$$

Equation (3.12) and inequality (3.26) imply that there exists $\delta_4 \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$T^*(a, b) > Q[pa + (1 - p)b, pb + (1 - p)a]$$

for all $a > b > 0$ with $(a - b)/(a + b) \in (1 - \delta_4, 1)$. □

Let $r \in (0, 1)$, $r^* = r^2/(1 + \sqrt{1 - r^2})^2$, $a = 1$, $b = \sqrt{1 - r^2}$, $\alpha = 3/4$, $\beta = 4(4 - \pi)/[\pi(\pi - 2)]$, $\lambda = 1/2 + \sqrt{2}/4$, and $\mu = 1/2 + \sqrt{16/\pi^2 - 1}/2$. Then Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 lead to Corollary 3.3 as follows.

Corollary 3.3 *The double inequalities*

$$\frac{\pi(1 + \sqrt{1-r^2})}{32} \left[5 + 3 \left(r^* + \frac{1}{r^*} \right) \arctan(r^*) \right]$$

$$< \mathcal{E}(r) < \frac{1 + \sqrt{1-r^2}}{4(\pi-2)} \left[\pi^2 - 8 + 2(4-\pi) \left(r^* + \frac{1}{r^*} \right) \arctan(r^*) \right]$$

and

$$\frac{\pi\sqrt{6 + 2\sqrt{1-r^2} - 3r^2}}{4\sqrt{2}} < \mathcal{E}(r) < \frac{\sqrt{8 + (\pi^2 - 8)\sqrt{1-r^2} - 4r^2}}{2}$$

hold for all $r \in (0, 1)$.

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