Extremal function and sequence for Hardy inequalities in L_p and l_p

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The behaviour of the smallest possible constants d(a, b) and d_n in classical Hardy inequalities

$$\int_{a}^{b} \left(\frac{1}{x} \int_{a}^{x} f(t) dt\right)^{p} dx \leq d(a,b) \int_{a}^{b} f^{p}(x) dx$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{k}\sum_{j=1}^k a_j\right)^p \le d_n \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^p$$

is discussed. For p = 2 the exact constant d(a, b) and the exact rate of convergence of d_n are established and the extremal function and the "almost extremal" sequence are found. For 2 the exact rate of convergence of <math>d(a, b) and d_n are established and the "almost extremal" function and sequence are found.

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