

## ABOUT BERGSTRÖM'S INEQUALITY

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*Abstract.* In this paper, we generalize identity (3), from where we obtain a refinement of inequalities (1) and (2).

### 1. Introduction

The inequality from Theorem 1 is called in the literature Bergström's inequality (see [2], [3], [4], [6]).

**THEOREM 1.** *If  $x_k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a_k > 0$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then*

$$\frac{x_1^2}{a_1} + \frac{x_2^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{x_n^2}{a_n} \geq \frac{(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^2}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}, \quad (1)$$

*with equality if and only if  $\frac{x_1}{a_1} = \frac{x_2}{a_2} = \dots = \frac{x_n}{a_n}$ .*

The generalization of Bergström's inequality is contained in the following theorem (see [5]).

**THEOREM 2.** *If  $x_k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a_k > 0$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then*

$$\frac{x_1^2}{a_1} + \frac{x_2^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{x_n^2}{a_n} \geq \frac{(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^2}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} + \max_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(a_i x_j - a_j x_i)^2}{a_i a_j (a_i + a_j)}. \quad (2)$$

By particularizations in Theorem 2, in paper [5] the refinements are obtained of Cauchy-Schwarz's inequality.

For the complex numbers, it is well-known the identity:

$$\frac{|z_1|^2}{a_1} + \frac{|z_2|^2}{a_2} - \frac{|z_1 + z_2|^2}{a_1 + a_2} = \frac{|a_1 z_2 - a_2 z_1|^2}{a_1 a_2 (a_1 + a_2)} \quad (3)$$

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true for any  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$  and any  $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $a_1 + a_2 \neq 0$  (see [6], page 315).

In the following, we note  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$

### 2. Main results

In this section we start with the generalization of identity (3).

**THEOREM 3.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , such that  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n \neq 0$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{|z_1|^2}{a_1} + \frac{|z_2|^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{|z_n|^2}{a_n} - \frac{|z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n|^2}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} & \quad (4) \\ = \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{|a_i z_j - a_j z_i|^2}{a_i a_j}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We consider  $z_k = x_k + iy_k$ ,  $x_k, y_k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Then the member from the left from the (4) is equivalent with

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{x_1^2 + y_1^2}{a_1} + \frac{x_2^2 + y_2^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{x_n^2 + y_n^2}{a_n} - \frac{(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^2 + (y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n)^2}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \\ & = \frac{1}{a_1 a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n (a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n)} \\ & \quad \cdot \left( (a_2^2 a_3 a_4 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n + a_2 a_3^2 a_4 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n + \dots + a_2 a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{n-1} a_n^2) (x_1^2 + y_1^2) \right. \\ & \quad + (a_1^2 a_3 a_4 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n + a_1 a_3^2 a_4 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n + \dots + a_1 a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{n-1} a_n^2) (x_2^2 + y_2^2) + \dots \\ & \quad + (a_1^2 a_2 a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{n-1} + a_1 a_2^2 a_3 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{n-1} + \dots + a_1 a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{n-2} a_{n-1}^2) (x_n^2 + y_n^2) \\ & \quad - 2a_1 a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n ((x_1 x_2 + x_1 x_3 + \dots + x_1 x_n + \dots + x_{n-1} x_n) \\ & \quad \left. + (y_1 y_2 + y_1 y_3 + \dots + y_1 y_n + \dots + y_{n-1} y_n)) \right) \\ & = \frac{1}{a_1 a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n (a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n)} (a_3 a_4 \dots a_n ((a_1 x_2 - a_2 x_1)^2 + (a_1 y_2 - a_2 y_1)^2) \\ & \quad + a_2 a_4 a_5 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n ((a_1 x_3 - a_3 x_1)^2 + (a_1 y_3 - a_3 y_1)^2) + \dots \\ & \quad + a_1 a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{n-2} ((a_{n-1} x_n - a_n x_{n-1})^2 + (a_{n-1} y_n - a_n y_{n-1})^2)) \\ & = \frac{1}{a_1 a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n (a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n)} (a_3 a_4 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n |a_1 z_2 - a_2 z_1|^2 \\ & \quad + a_2 a_4 a_5 \cdot \dots \cdot a_n |a_1 z_3 - a_3 z_1|^2 + \dots + a_1 a_2 \cdot \dots \cdot a_{n-2} |a_{n-1} z_n - a_n z_{n-1}|^2), \end{aligned}$$

from where, the relation (4) results.

**COROLLARY 1.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , such that  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n \neq 0$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x_1^2}{a_1} + \frac{x_2^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{x_n^2}{a_n} - \frac{(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^2}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \\ = \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(a_i x_j - a_j x_i)^2}{a_i a_j}. \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

*Proof.* In the identity (4) we consider  $z_k = x_k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

**COROLLARY 2.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x \geq 2$ ,  $x_k, y_k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2)(y_1^2 + y_2^2 + \dots + y_n^2) \\ - (x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n)^2 = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (x_i y_j - x_j y_i)^2. \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

*Proof.* Changing  $a_k$  by  $y_k^2$  and  $x_k$  by  $x_k y_k$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  in identity (5), we obtain identity (6).

**REMARK 1.** *The identity from Corollary 2 is called Lagrange's identity.*

**COROLLARY 3.** *If  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in (0, \infty)$ , then*

$$\frac{|z_1|^2}{a_1} + \frac{|z_2|^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{|z_n|^2}{a_n} \geq \frac{|z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n|^2}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}, \tag{7}$$

*with equality if and only if  $a_i z_j = a_j z_i$  for any  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .*

*Proof.* The inequality (7) results immediately from Theorem 3.

**THEOREM 4.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n > 0$ , then*

$$\frac{|z_1|^2}{a_1} + \frac{|z_2|^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{|z_n|^2}{a_n} \geq \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{|a_i z_j - a_j z_i|^2}{a_i a_j}, \tag{8}$$

*with equality if and only if  $z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n = 0$ .*

*Proof.* It results from Theorem 3.

**COROLLARY 4.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$  and  $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{C}$ , then*

$$|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 + \dots + |z_n|^2 \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} |z_j - z_i|^2. \tag{9}$$

*Proof.* The inequality (9) results from Theorem 4 if we take  $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_n = 1$ .

**THEOREM 5.** *If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in (0, \infty)$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x_1^2}{a_1} + \frac{x_2^2}{a_2} + \dots + \frac{x_n^2}{a_n} - \frac{(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)^2}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \\ \geq A_{k,l} + \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq n \\ i, j \notin \{k, l\}}} \frac{(a_i x_j - a_j x_i)^2}{a_i a_j}, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where

$$A_{k,l} = \max_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(a_i x_j - a_j x_i)^2}{a_i a_j (a_i + a_j)} = \frac{(a_k x_l - a_l x_k)^2}{a_k a_l (a_k + a_l)}, \quad 1 \leq k < l \leq n.$$

*Proof.* We have that

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \notin \{k, l\}}}^n \left( \frac{(a_m x_l - a_l x_m)^2}{a_m a_l} + \frac{(a_m x_k - a_k x_m)^2}{a_m a_k} \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \notin \{k, l\}}}^m \left( \frac{\left( a_k x_l - \frac{a_l a_k}{a_m} x_m \right)^2}{\frac{a_l a_k^2}{a_m}} + \frac{\left( \frac{a_l a_k}{a_m} x_m - a_l x_k \right)^2}{\frac{a_k a_l^2}{a_m}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and applying the inequality (1) for  $n = 2$ , we obtain that

$$T \geq \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \notin \{k, l\}}}^n \frac{(a_k x_l - a_l x_k)^2}{\frac{a_k a_l (a_k + a_l)}{a_m}} = \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \notin \{k, l\}}}^n \frac{a_m (a_k x_l - a_l x_k)^2}{a_k a_l (a_k + a_l)}.$$

Taking the inequality above into account, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(a_i x_j - a_j x_i)^2}{a_i a_j} \\ &= \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \left( \frac{(a_k x_l - a_l x_k)^2}{a_k a_l} + \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \notin \{k, l\}}}^n \left( \frac{(a_m x_l - a_l x_m)^2}{a_m a_l} + \frac{(a_m x_k - a_k x_m)^2}{a_m a_k} \right) \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq n \\ i, j \notin \{k, l\}}} \frac{(a_i x_j - a_j x_i)^2}{a_i a_j} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \left( \frac{(a_k x_l - a_l x_k)^2}{a_k a_l} + \sum_{\substack{m=1 \\ m \notin \{k, l\}}}^n \frac{a_m (a_k x_l - a_l x_k)^2}{a_k a_l (a_k + a_l)} \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq n \\ i, j \notin \{k, l\}}} \frac{(a_i x_j - a_j x_i)^2}{a_i a_j}, \end{aligned}$$

from where and taking identity (5) into account, the inequality (10) results.

REMARK 2. From Theorem 5 the inequalities from (1) and (2) results.

THEOREM 6. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $x_i, y_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 3\}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right)^2 \\ & \geq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) \frac{(x_k y_l - x_l y_k)^2}{y_k^2 + y_l^2} + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq n \\ i, j \notin \{k, l\}}} (x_i y_j - x_j y_i)^2 \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

if  $y_i \neq 0$  for any  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right)^2 \\ & \geq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) \frac{(x_p y_q - x_q y_p)^2}{x_p^2 + x_q^2} + \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i < j \leq n \\ i, j \notin \{p, q\}}} (x_i y_j - x_j y_i)^2 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

if  $x_i \neq 0$  for any  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , where  $k, l, p, q \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ ,  $k \neq l$ ,  $p \neq q$  such that  $\max_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(x_i y_j - x_j y_i)^2}{y_i^2 + y_j^2}$  is obtained for  $i = k$  and  $j = l$ ,  $\max_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{(x_i y_j - x_j y_i)^2}{x_i^2 + x_j^2}$  is obtained for  $i = p$  and  $j = q$ .

*Proof.* In Theorem 5 we change  $a_i$  by  $y_i^2$  and  $x_i$  with  $x_i y_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and we obtain the inequality (11), respectively  $x_i$  by  $y_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  in inequality (11) and then we obtain inequality (12).

COROLLARY 5. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ ,  $x_i, y_i \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , then the inequalities

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right)^2 \geq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) \frac{(x_i y_j - x_j y_i)^2}{y_i^2 + y_j^2} \tag{13}$$

and

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right)^2 \geq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) \frac{(x_i y_j - x_j y_i)^2}{x_i^2 + y_j^2} \tag{14}$$

hold for any  $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

*Proof.* It results from Theorem 6.

REMARK 3. Using the inequalities from Corollary 5, we obtain some inequalities from paper [5].

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