

SOME INEQUALITIES FOR THE L_p -CURVATURE IMAGES

BIN CHEN AND WEIDONG WANG

(Communicated by J. Pečarić)

Abstract. Lutwak introduced the notion of L_p -curvature image and proved an inequality for volumes of convex body and its L_p -curvature image. In this article, based on the L_p -affine surface area and L_p -dual affine surface area, we establish the affine isoperimetric inequalities, cyclic inequalities and a monotonic inequality for L_p -curvature images.

1. Introduction and main results

Let K be a convex body if K is a compact, convex subset in n -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n with non-empty interior. The set of all convex bodies in \mathbb{R}^n is written as \mathcal{K}^n . Let \mathcal{K}_o^n denote the set of convex bodies containing the origin in their interiors, and \mathcal{K}_c^n denote the set of convex bodies with centroid at the origin. Besides, \mathcal{S}_o^n denotes the set of star bodies (with respect to the origin) and \mathcal{S}_c^n denotes the set of star bodies whose centroid lies at the origin in \mathbb{R}^n . Let S^{n-1} denote the unit sphere in \mathbb{R}^n and $V(K)$ denote the n -dimensional volume of the body K . For the standard unit ball B in \mathbb{R}^n , write $V(B) = \omega_n$.

In 1996, Lutwak introduced the notion of L_p -curvature function of convex body (see [12, 13]). For $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$ and real $p \geq 1$, the L_p -curvature function, $f_p(K, \cdot) : S^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is defined by

$$\frac{dS_p(K, \cdot)}{dS} = f_p(K, \cdot), \quad (1.1)$$

where the L_p -surface area measure $S_p(K, \cdot)$ of K is absolutely continuous with respect to spherical Lebesgue measure S . Here, we write \mathcal{F}_o^n (\mathcal{F}_c^n) as the subset of \mathcal{K}_o^n (\mathcal{K}_c^n) that has a positive continuous curvature function.

By the L_p -curvature function, Lutwak in [12] gave the notion of L_p -curvature image as follows: For each $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$ and real $p \geq 1$, let $\Lambda_p K \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$ denote the L_p -curvature image of K , and define

$$\rho(\Lambda_p K, \cdot)^{n+p} = \frac{V(\Lambda_p K)}{\omega_n} f_p(K, \cdot). \quad (1.2)$$

Associated with the L_p -curvature images, Lutwak ([12]) obtained the following result.

Mathematics subject classification (2010): 52A20, 52A40.

Keywords and phrases: L_p -curvature image, L_p -affine surface area, L_p -dual affine surface area, affine isoperimetric inequality, cyclic inequality, monotonic inequality.

Research is supported in part by the Natural Science Foundation of China (No. 11371224).

THEOREM 1.A. For $K, L \in \mathcal{F}_c^n$, $p \geq 1$, then

$$V(\Lambda_p K)V(K)^{\frac{p-n}{p}} \leq \omega_n^{\frac{2p-n}{p}}, \quad (1.3)$$

with equality for $n = p > 1$ if and only if K and L are dilates, for $n \neq p > 1$ if and only if $K = L$, for $n \neq p = 1$ if and only if K is a translation of L .

Later, Wang etc. ([25]) continuously studied the L_p -curvature images for convex bodies and established the following polar dual forms of Theorem 1.A:

THEOREM 1.B. For $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$, $p \geq 1$ and $\Lambda_p K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$, then

$$V(\Lambda_p K)V(K^*)^{\frac{n-p}{p}} \leq \omega_n^{\frac{n}{p}}, \quad (1.4)$$

with equality if and only if K is an ellipsoid. Here K^* denotes the polar of K .

THEOREM 1.C. For $K \in \mathcal{F}_c^n$ and $p \geq 1$, then

$$V(\Lambda_p^* K)V(K)^{\frac{n-p}{p}} \leq \omega_n^{\frac{n}{p}}, \quad (1.5)$$

with equality for $p > 1$ if and only if K and $\Lambda_p^* K$ are dilates, and for $p = 1$ if and only if K and $\Lambda_p^* K$ are homothetic. Here $\Lambda_p^* K$ denotes the polar of $\Lambda_p K$.

For more studies of the L_p -curvature images, the interested readers may refer to the following articles [8, 14, 15, 16].

In this paper, associated with the notions of L_p -affine surface area and L_p -dual affine surface area, we continuously research the L_p -curvature images. Firstly, we establish the following L_p -affine surface area forms of Theorems 1.A and 1.C.

THEOREM 1.1. For $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$ and $p \geq 1$, if $\Lambda_p K \in \mathcal{K}_c^n$, then

$$\Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)\Omega_p(K)^{\frac{p-n}{p}} \leq (n\omega_n)^{\frac{2p-n}{p}}, \quad (1.6)$$

with equality if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ is an ellipsoid.

THEOREM 1.2. If $K \in \mathcal{F}_c^n$ and $p \geq 1$, then

$$\Omega_p(\Lambda_p^* K)\Omega_p(K)^{\frac{n-p}{p}} \leq (n\omega_n)^{\frac{n}{p}}, \quad (1.7)$$

with equality if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ is an ellipsoid.

In Theorems 1.1–1.2, $\Omega_p(K)$ denotes the L_p -affine surface area of $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$.

Further, we establish the cyclic inequalities of L_p -curvature images for the L_p -affine surface area and L_p -dual affine surface area, respectively.

THEOREM 1.3. If $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$ and $1 \leq p < q < r$, then

$$\Omega_q(\Lambda_q K)^{(n+q)(r-p)} \leq \Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)^{(n+p)(r-q)}\Omega_r(\Lambda_r K)^{(n+r)(q-p)}. \quad (1.8)$$

THEOREM 1.4. *If $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$ and $1 \leq p < q < r$, then*

$$\widetilde{\Omega}_q(\Lambda_q K)^{(n+q)(r-p)} \leq \widetilde{\Omega}_p(\Lambda_p K)^{(n+p)(r-q)} \widetilde{\Omega}_r(\Lambda_r K)^{(n+r)(q-p)}, \quad (1.9)$$

with equality if and only if $\Lambda_p K$, $\Lambda_q K$ and $\Lambda_r K$ are dilates. Here, $\widetilde{\Omega}_p(K)$ denotes the L_p -dual affine surface area of $K \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$.

Finally, combined with another type of L_p -affine surface area, we give a monotonic inequality for L_p -curvature images.

THEOREM 1.5. *If $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$ and $1 \leq p < q$, then*

$$\left[\frac{\omega_n^n \widetilde{\Omega}_{-p}(\Lambda_p K)^{n-p}}{n^{n-p} V(\Lambda_p K)^n V(K)^{n-p}} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left[\frac{\omega_n^n \widetilde{\Omega}_{-q}(\Lambda_q K)^{n-q}}{n^{n-q} V(\Lambda_q K)^n V(K)^{n-q}} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (1.10)$$

with equality if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ and $\Lambda_q K$ are dilates. Here, $\widetilde{\Omega}_{-p}(K)$ denotes the L_p -dual affine surface area of $K \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$.

Please see the next section for the above interrelated background materials. The proofs of Theorems 1.1–1.5 will be completed in Section 3.

2. Preliminaries

2.1. Polar bodies and Blaschke-Santaló inequality

If $E \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a nonempty subset, the polar set of E , E^* , is defined by (see [5, 17])

$$E^* = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x \cdot y \leq 1, y \in E\}. \quad (2.1)$$

From this, it is easy to get that $(K^*)^* = K$ for all $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$.

From definition (2.1), we know that if $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$, the support and radial functions of K^* , the polar body of K , have the following relationship (see [5])

$$h(K^*, \cdot) = \frac{1}{\rho(K, \cdot)}, \quad \rho(K^*, \cdot) = \frac{1}{h(K, \cdot)}. \quad (2.2)$$

Besides, the polar bodies of convex bodies satisfy the following properties (see [5]): If $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$, $\phi \in GL(n)$, then

$$(\phi K)^* = \phi^{-\tau} K^*. \quad (2.3)$$

In particular, for $\lambda > 0$,

$$(\lambda K)^* = \frac{1}{\lambda} K^*. \quad (2.4)$$

For a geometric body and its polar body, Lutwak extended the Blaschke-Santaló inequality as follows (see [5, 17]): *If $K \in \mathcal{S}_c^n$, then*

$$V(K)V(K^*) \leq \omega_n^2, \quad (2.5)$$

with equality if and only if K is an ellipsoid.

2.2. L_p -mixed volume

Suppose that \mathbb{R} is the set of real numbers. If $K \in \mathcal{K}^n$, the support function of K , $h_K = h(K, \cdot): \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, is defined by (see [4])

$$h(K, x) = \max\{x \cdot y : y \in K\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

where $x \cdot y$ denotes the standard inner product of x and y in \mathbb{R}^n .

If $K, L \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$, for $p \geq 1$, the L_p -mixed volume of K and L is given by (see [11])

$$V_p(K, L) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h(L, u)^p dS_p(K, u). \quad (2.6)$$

Associated with formula (2.6) and $dS_p(K, u) = h(K, u)^{1-p} dS(K, u)$ for $u \in S^{n-1}$, if $K = L$, then

$$V_p(K, K) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h(K, u)^p dS_p(K, u) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h(K, u) dS(K, u) = V(K). \quad (2.7)$$

2.3. L_p -dual mixed volume

For K is a compact star shaped (about the origin) in \mathbb{R}^n , the radial function ρ_K of K , $\rho_K = \rho(K, \cdot): \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$, is defined by (see [5])

$$\rho(K, x) = \max\{\lambda \geq 0 : \lambda x \in K\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\},$$

if ρ_K is positive and continuous, then called K is a star body.

If $K, L \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$, $p \geq 1$, the L_p -dual mixed volume of K and L is given by (see [12])

$$\tilde{V}_{-p}(K, L) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho(K, u)^{n+p} \rho(L, u)^{-p} dS(u). \quad (2.8)$$

Another kind of L_p -dual mixed volume was introduced as follows (see [6, 7]): If $K, L \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$ and $p > 0$, the L_p -dual mixed volume of K and L is given by

$$\tilde{V}_p(K, L) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho(K, u)^{n-p} \rho(L, u)^p dS(u). \quad (2.9)$$

Here the integral expression is with respect to spherical Lebesgue measure S on S^{n-1} .

From (2.8) and (2.9), we easily know that

$$\tilde{V}_{-p}(K, K) = \tilde{V}_p(K, K) = V(K) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho(K, u)^n dS(u). \quad (2.10)$$

Associated with (1.2), (2.6) and (2.8), Lutwak ([12]) gave the following result. If $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$, and $p \geq 1$, then for any $Q \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$,

$$V_p(K, Q^*) = \frac{\omega_n}{V(\Lambda_p K)} \tilde{V}_{-p}(\Lambda_p K, Q). \quad (2.11)$$

2.4. L_p -affine surface area

In 1996, associated with L_p -mixed volume (2.6), Lutwak ([12]) defined the L_p -affine surface area as follows: For $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$ and $p \geq 1$, the L_p -affine surface area, $\Omega_p(K)$, of K is defined by

$$n^{-\frac{p}{n}}\Omega_p(K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} = \inf\{nV_p(K, Q^*)V(Q)^{\frac{p}{n}} : Q \in \mathcal{S}_o^n\}. \quad (2.12)$$

From definitions (2.12) and (1.2), the following formula can be obtained (see [12]): For $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$, and $p \geq 1$, then

$$\Omega_p(K) = n\omega_n^{\frac{n}{n+p}}V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p}{n+p}}. \quad (2.13)$$

Regarding the studies of L_p -affine surface areas, many results have been found in these articles (see [9, 10, 12, 18, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31]).

2.5. Two L_p -dual affine surface areas

In 2008, Wang and He (see [21]) gave the definition of L_p -dual affine surface area. Further, Wang and Feng ([3]) made the appropriate improvement as follows: For $K \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$, $n \neq p \geq 1$, the L_p -dual affine surface area, $\tilde{\Omega}_{-p}(K)$, of K is defined by

$$n^{\frac{p}{n}}\tilde{\Omega}_{-p}(K)^{\frac{n-p}{n}} = \inf\{n\tilde{V}_{-p}(K, Q)V(Q^*)^{-\frac{p}{n}} : Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n\}. \quad (2.14)$$

Afterwards, Wang and Wang ([20], also see [22]) defined another L_p -dual affine surface area as follows: For $K \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$ and $p > 0$, then the L_p -dual affine surface area, $\tilde{\Omega}_p(K)$, of K is defined by

$$n^{-\frac{p}{n}}\tilde{\Omega}_p(K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} = \sup\{n\tilde{V}_p(K, Q^*)V(Q)^{\frac{p}{n}} : Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n\}. \quad (2.15)$$

For the studies of above two type of L_p -dual affine surface areas, some results have been obtained in these articles (see [2, 19, 25, 32]).

3. Proofs of Theorems

In this part, we will give the proofs of Theorems 1.1–1.5. In order to prove Theorem 1.1, we need the following lemmas.

LEMMA 3.1. ([25]) *If $K \in \mathcal{F}_o^n$, $p \geq 1$ and $\phi \in GL(n)$, then*

$$\Lambda_p \phi K = |\det \phi|^{\frac{1}{p}} \phi^{-\tau} \Lambda_p K. \quad (3.1)$$

LEMMA 3.2. ([12]) *If $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$, $p \geq 1$ and $\phi \in GL(n)$, then*

$$\Omega_p(\phi K) = |\det \phi|^{\frac{n-p}{n+p}} \Omega_p(K). \quad (3.2)$$

According to Lemma 3.2, we immediately obtain that:

LEMMA 3.3. If $K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$, $p \geq 1$ and $c > 0$, then

$$\Omega_p(cK) = c^{\frac{n(n-p)}{n+p}} \Omega_p(K). \quad (3.3)$$

LEMMA 3.4. ([12]) If $K \in \mathcal{K}_c^n$, $p \geq 1$, then

$$\Omega_p(K) \leq n \omega_n^{\frac{2p}{n+p}} V(K)^{\frac{n-p}{n+p}}, \quad (3.4)$$

with equality if and only if K is an ellipsoid.

Proof of Theorem 1.1. From (2.12), for any $Q \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$, we obtain

$$\Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} V_p(\Lambda_p K, Q^*) V(Q)^{\frac{p}{n}}.$$

Let $Q = \Lambda_p^* K$, since $\Lambda_p K \in \mathcal{S}_c^n$, associated with (2.5) and (2.7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} &\leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} V(\Lambda_p K) V(\Lambda_p^* K)^{\frac{p}{n}} \\ &= n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p}{n}} V(\Lambda_p^* K)^{\frac{p}{n}} V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n-p}{n}} \\ &\leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \omega_n^{\frac{2p}{n}} V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n-p}{n}}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p-n}{n}} \Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \omega_n^{\frac{2p}{n}}. \quad (3.5)$$

From (2.13), we have

$$V(\Lambda_p K) = n^{-\frac{n+p}{p}} \omega_n^{-\frac{n}{p}} \Omega_p(K)^{\frac{n+p}{p}}. \quad (3.6)$$

This together with (3.5) yields

$$\Omega_p(\Lambda_p K) \Omega_p(K)^{\frac{p-n}{p}} \leq (n \omega_n)^{\frac{2p-n}{p}},$$

i.e., inequality (1.6) is obtained.

Now, we give the equality condition of inequality (1.6). For unit ball B , we know $V(B) = \omega_n$, $\Omega_p(B) = n \omega_n$. If $\Lambda_p K = B$ in left part of (3.5), we get

$$V(B)^{\frac{p-n}{n}} \Omega_p(B)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} = (\omega_n)^{\frac{p-n}{n}} (n \omega_n)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} = n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \omega_n^{\frac{2p}{n}}. \quad (3.7)$$

Thus, if $\Lambda_p K = B$, then equality holds in (3.5).

Further, for $\phi \in GL(n)$, according to (3.5) and using (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &V(\Lambda_p \phi K)^{\frac{p-n}{n}} \Omega_p(\Lambda_p \phi K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \\ &= V(|\det \phi|^{\frac{1}{p}} \phi^{-\tau} \Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p-n}{n}} \Omega_p(|\det \phi|^{\frac{1}{p}} \phi^{-\tau} \Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \\ &= |\det \phi|^{\frac{p-n}{p}} |\det \phi^{-\tau}|^{\frac{p-n}{n}} V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p-n}{n}} |\det \phi|^{\frac{n-p}{p}} |\det \phi^{-\tau}|^{\frac{n-p}{n}} \Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \\ &= V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p-n}{n}} \Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}}. \end{aligned}$$

This means that the left side of (3.5) is affine invariance. Let E denote the ellipsoid and take $E = \phi B$ in left part of (3.5), we see that if $\Lambda_p K$ is an ellipsoid, then equality holds in (3.5).

Conversely, if equality holds in (3.5), by (2.13), we get

$$\Omega_p(\Lambda_p K) = (n\omega_n)^{\frac{2p-n}{p}} \Omega_p(K)^{\frac{n-p}{p}} = n\omega_n^{\frac{2p}{n+p}} V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n-p}{n+p}}. \quad (3.8)$$

This combining with the equality condition of (3.4), we see that $\Lambda_p K$ must be an ellipsoid.

Because of (3.5) and (1.6) are equivalent, thus, equality holds in inequality (1.6) if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ is an ellipsoid. \square

According to the (1.4) and (2.13), we immediately get the following result.

LEMMA 3.5. ([12]) *If $K \in \mathcal{K}_c^n$, then*

$$\Omega_p(K) \leq n\omega_n^{\frac{2n}{n+p}} V(K^*)^{\frac{p-n}{n+p}}, \quad (3.9)$$

with equality if and only if K is an ellipsoid.

Proof of Theorem 1.2. From (2.12), we get

$$\Omega_p(\Lambda_p^* K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} V_p(\Lambda_p^* K, Q^*) V(Q)^{\frac{p}{n}}.$$

Let $Q = \Lambda_p K$, associated with (2.5) and (2.7), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_p(\Lambda_p^* K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} &\leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} V(\Lambda_p^* K) V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p}{n}} \\ &\leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \omega_n^2 V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{p-n}{n}}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$V(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n-p}{n}} \Omega_p(\Lambda_p^* K)^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \leq n^{\frac{n+p}{n}} \omega_n^2. \quad (3.10)$$

This and (2.13) give inequality (1.7).

Similar to the deduction of equality condition of inequality (3.5), we know that equality holds in (3.10) if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ is an ellipsoid.

Since (3.10) and (1.7) are equivalent, thus, equality holds in (1.7) if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ is an ellipsoid. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.3. For $1 \leq p < q < r$ and any $Q_1, Q_3 \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$, there exists $Q_2 \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$ such that

$$\rho(Q_2, \cdot)^{q(r-p)} = \rho(Q_1, \cdot)^{p(r-q)} \rho(Q_3, \cdot)^{r(q-p)}. \quad (3.11)$$

Then for any $u \in S^{n-1}$, this yields

$$\rho(Q_2, u)^n = \rho(Q_1, u)^{\frac{np(r-q)}{q(r-p)}} \rho(Q_3, u)^{\frac{nr(q-p)}{q(r-p)}}.$$

Since $1 \leq p < q < r$, then $\frac{q(r-p)}{p(r-q)} > 1$, according to the Hölder's integral inequality and formula (2.10), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & V(Q_1)^{\frac{p(r-q)}{q(r-p)}} V(Q_3)^{\frac{r(q-p)}{q(r-p)}} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left(\rho(Q_1, u)^{\frac{np(r-q)}{q(r-p)}} \right)^{\frac{q(r-p)}{p(r-q)}} dS(u) \right]^{\frac{p(r-q)}{q(r-p)}} \\ & \quad \times \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left(\rho(Q_3, u)^{\frac{nr(q-p)}{q(r-p)}} \right)^{\frac{q(r-p)}{r(q-q)}} dS(u) \right]^{\frac{r(q-p)}{q(r-p)}} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho(Q_1, u)^{\frac{np(r-q)}{q(r-p)}} \rho(Q_3, u)^{\frac{nr(q-p)}{q(r-p)}} dS(u) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho(Q_2, u)^n dS(u) = V(Q_2). \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$V(Q_2)^{q(r-p)} \leq V(Q_1)^{p(r-q)} V(Q_3)^{r(q-p)}. \quad (3.12)$$

Since for any $1 \leq p < q < r$ and $\Lambda_p K, \Lambda_r K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$, by (1.1) and L_p -Minkowski's existence theorem (see [1] or Theorem 9.2.3 of [5]), we know that there exists $\Lambda_q K \in \mathcal{K}_o^n$ such that

$$f_q(\Lambda_q K, u) = f_p(\Lambda_p K, u)^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} f_r(\Lambda_r K, u)^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}}. \quad (3.13)$$

Associated with (3.11) and (3.13), we see that for any $u \in S^{n-1}$,

$$\rho(Q_2, u)^{-q} f_q(\Lambda_q K, u) = \left[\rho(Q_1, u)^{-p} f_p(\Lambda_p K, u) \right]^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \left[\rho(Q_3, u)^{-r} f_r(\Lambda_r K, u) \right]^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}}.$$

Since $1 \leq p < q < r$, then $0 < \frac{r-q}{r-p} < 1$, according to the Hölder's integral inequality and using (2.2) and (2.6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & V_p(\Lambda_p K, Q_1^*)^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} V_r(\Lambda_r K, Q_3^*)^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left((\rho(Q_1, u)^{-p} f_p(\Lambda_p K, u))^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \right)^{\frac{r-p}{r-q}} dS(u) \right]^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \\ & \quad \times \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left((\rho(Q_3, u)^{-r} f_r(\Lambda_r K, u))^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}} \right)^{\frac{r-p}{q-p}} dS(u) \right]^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left((\rho(Q_1, u)^{-p} f_p(\Lambda_p K, u))^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times \left((\rho(Q_3, u)^{-r} f_r(\Lambda_r K, u))^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}} \right) dS(u) \right) \\ &= V_q(\Lambda_q K, Q_2^*), \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$V_q(\Lambda_q K, Q_2^*)^{r-p} \leq V_p(\Lambda_p K, Q_1^*)^{r-q} V_r(\Lambda_r K, Q_3^*)^{q-p}. \quad (3.14)$$

Hence, combined with (3.12) and (3.14), we get

$$\left(V_q(\Lambda_q K, Q_2^*) V(Q_2, \frac{q}{n}) \right)^{r-p} \leq \left(V_p(\Lambda_p K, Q_1^*) V(Q_1, \frac{p}{n}) \right)^{r-q} \left(V_r(\Lambda_r K, Q_3^*) V(Q_3, \frac{r}{n}) \right)^{q-p}.$$

This together with (2.12) yields

$$\Omega_q(\Lambda_q K)^{(n+q)(r-p)} \leq \Omega_p(\Lambda_p K)^{(n+p)(r-q)} \Omega_r(\Lambda_r K)^{(n+r)(q-p)}.$$

This gives (1.8). \square

Proof of Theorem 1.4. By (2.15), we have

$$\tilde{\Omega}_p(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{np}} = \sup \{ n^{\frac{n+p}{np}} \tilde{V}_p(\Lambda_p K, Q^*)^{\frac{1}{p}} V(Q, \frac{1}{n}) : Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n \}. \quad (3.15)$$

Since $1 \leq p < q < r$ and $\Lambda_p K, \Lambda_r K \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$, there exists $\Lambda_q K \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$ such that

$$\rho(\Lambda_q K, \cdot)^{(n-q)(r-p)} = \rho(\Lambda_p K, \cdot)^{(n-p)(r-q)} \rho(\Lambda_r K, \cdot)^{(n-r)(q-p)}. \quad (3.16)$$

Associated with (3.16), we see that for any $Q \in \mathcal{S}_o^n$ and $u \in S^{n-1}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \rho(\Lambda_q K, u)^{(n-q)} \rho(Q^*, u)^q \\ &= \left[\rho(\Lambda_p K, u)^{(n-p)} \rho(Q^*, u)^p \right]^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \left[\rho(\Lambda_r K, u)^{(n-r)} \rho(Q^*, u)^r \right]^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that $p < q < r$ implies $0 < \frac{r-q}{r-p} < 1$, according to the Hölder's integral inequality and (2.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{V}_p(\Lambda_p K, Q^*)^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \tilde{V}_r(\Lambda_r K, Q^*)^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}} \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left(\rho(\Lambda_p K, u)^{n-p} \rho(Q^*, u)^p \right)^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} dS(u) \right]^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \\ & \quad \times \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left(\rho(\Lambda_r K, u)^{n-r} \rho(Q^*, u)^r \right)^{\frac{q-p}{q-p}} dS(u) \right]^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}} \\ & \geq \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \left(\rho(\Lambda_p K, u)^{(n-p)} \rho(Q^*, u)^p \right)^{\frac{r-q}{r-p}} \left(\rho(\Lambda_r K, u)^{(n-r)} \rho(Q^*, u)^r \right)^{\frac{q-p}{r-p}} dS(u) \\ &= \tilde{V}_q(\Lambda_q K, Q^*), \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$\tilde{V}_q(\Lambda_q K, Q^*)^{r-p} \leq \tilde{V}_p(\Lambda_p K, Q^*)^{r-q} \tilde{V}_r(\Lambda_r K, Q^*)^{q-p}. \quad (3.17)$$

From the equality condition of Hölder's integral inequality, we see that equality holds in (3.17) if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ and $\Lambda_r K$ are dilates. This together with (3.16) shows that equality holds in (3.17) if and only if $\Lambda_p K, \Lambda_q K$ and $\Lambda_r K$ are dilates.

This together with (3.15) yields

$$\left[\tilde{\Omega}_q(\Lambda_q K)^{\frac{n+q}{nq}} \right]^{q(r-p)} \leq \left[\tilde{\Omega}_p(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n+p}{np}} \right]^{p(r-q)} \left[\tilde{\Omega}_r(\Lambda_r K)^{\frac{n+r}{nr}} \right]^{r(q-p)},$$

i.e.,

$$\tilde{\Omega}_q(\Lambda_q K)^{(n+q)(r-p)} \leq \tilde{\Omega}_p(\Lambda_p K)^{(n+p)(r-q)} \tilde{\Omega}_r(\Lambda_r K)^{(n+r)(q-p)}.$$

This gives (1.9).

According to the equality condition of (3.17), we know that equality holds in (1.9) if and only if $\Lambda_p K$, $\Lambda_q K$ and $\Lambda_r K$ are dilates. \square

LEMMA 3.6. ([12]) *If $K, L \in \mathcal{X}_o^n$, $1 \leq p < q$, then*

$$\left[\frac{V_p(K, L)}{V(K)} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left[\frac{V_q(K, L)}{V(K)} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad (3.18)$$

with equality if and only if K and L are dilates.

Proof of Theorem 1.5. According to (2.14), we have

$$\tilde{\Omega}_{-p}(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n-p}{n}} = \inf \{ n^{\frac{n-p}{n}} \tilde{V}_{-p}(\Lambda_p K, Q) V(Q^*)^{-\frac{p}{n}} : Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n \}.$$

This together with (2.11), we see that for any $Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n$,

$$\tilde{\Omega}_{-p}(\Lambda_p K)^{\frac{n-p}{n}} = \inf \{ n^{\frac{n-p}{n}} \frac{V(\Lambda_p K)}{\omega_n} V_p(K, Q^*) V(Q^*)^{-\frac{p}{n}} : Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n \}.$$

Hence, by Lemma 3.6, we get for $1 \leq p < q$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\frac{\omega_n^n \tilde{\Omega}_{-p}(\Lambda_p K)^{n-p}}{n^{n-p} V(\Lambda_p K)^n V(K)^{n-p}} \right]^{\frac{1}{p}} &= \inf \left\{ \left[\frac{V_p(K, Q^*)}{V(K)} \right]^{\frac{n}{p}} V(K) V(Q^*)^{-1} : Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n \right\} \\ &\leq \inf \left\{ \left[\frac{V_q(K, Q^*)}{V(K)} \right]^{\frac{n}{q}} V(K) V(Q^*)^{-1} : Q \in \mathcal{S}_c^n \right\} \\ &= \left[\frac{\omega_n^n \tilde{\Omega}_{-q}(\Lambda_q K)^{n-q}}{n^{n-q} V(\Lambda_q K)^n V(K)^{n-q}} \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives (1.10).

By the equality condition of Lemma 3.6, we know that equality holds in (1.10) if and only if $\Lambda_p K$ and $\Lambda_q K$ are dilates. \square

Acknowledgement. The authors like to sincerely thank the referees for very valuable and helpful comments and suggestions which made the paper more accurate and readable.

REFERENCES

- [1] K. S. CHOU AND X. J. WANG, *The L_p -Minkowski problem and the Minkowski problem in centroaffine geometry*, Adv. Math. **205** (2006), 1: 33–83.
- [2] Y. B. FENG AND W. D. WANG, *Some inequalities for L_p -dual affine surface area*, Math. Inequal. Appl. **17** (2014), 2: 431–441.
- [3] Y. B. FENG AND W. D. WANG, *Shephard type problems for L_p -centroid bodies*, Math. Inequal. Appl. **17** (2014), 3: 865–877.
- [4] W. J. FIREY, *ρ -means of convex bodies*, Math. Scand. **10** (1962), 17–24.
- [5] R. J. GARDNER, *Geometric Tomography*, Cambridge Univ. Press, Cambridge, UK, 2nd edition, (2006).
- [6] E. GRINBERG AND G. Y. ZHANG, *Convolutions transforms and convex bodies*, Proc. London Math. Soc. **78** (1999), 3: 77–115.
- [7] C. HABERL, *L_p -intersection bodies*, Adv. Math. **217** (2008), 6: 2599–2624.
- [8] K. LEICHTWEISS, *Affine Geometry of Convex Bodies*, Johann Ambrosius Barth, Heidelberg, Germany, 1998.
- [9] E. LUTWAK, *On some affine isoperimetric inequalities*, J. Differential Geom. **56** (1986), 1: 1–13.
- [10] E. LUTWAK, *Extended affine surface area*, Adv. Math. **85** (1991), 1: 39–68.
- [11] E. LUTWAK, *The Brunn-Minkowski-Firey theory I: mixed volumes and the Minkowski problem*, J. Differential Geom. **38** (1993), 1: 131–150.
- [12] E. LUTWAK, *The Brunn-Minkowski-Firey theory II: affine and geominimal surface areas*, Adv. Math. **118** (1996), 2: 244–294.
- [13] E. LUTWAK, D. YANG AND G. Y. ZHANG, *L_p John ellipsoids*, Proc. London Math. Socy. **90** (2005), 497–520.
- [14] F. H. LU AND W. D. WANG, *Inequalities for L_p -mixed curvature images*, Act. Math. Sci. **30** (2010), 4: 1044–1052.
- [15] S. J. LV AND G. S. LENG, *The L_p -mixed curvature images of convex bodies and L_p -projection bodies*, Pro. Math. Sci. **118** (2008), 3: 413–424.
- [16] C. M. PETTY, *Affine isoperimetric problems*, Ann. NY Acad. Sci. **440** (1985), 113–127.
- [17] R. SCHNEIDER, *Convex Bodies: The Brunn-Minkowski theory*, Cambridge Univ. Press, Cambridge, UK, (1993).
- [18] C. SCHÜTT AND E. WERNER, *Surface bodies and p -affine surface area*, Adv. Math. **187** (2004), 1: 98–145.
- [19] X. Y. WAN AND W. D. WANG, *L_p -dual mixed affine surface area*, Ukra. Math. J. **68** (2016), 5: 601–609.
- [20] J. Y. WANG AND W. D. WANG, *L_p -dual affine surface area forms of Busemann-Petty type problems*, Proc. Indian Acad. Sci. **125** (2015), 1: 71–77.
- [21] W. WANG AND B. W. HE, *L_p -dual affine surface area*, J. Math. Anal. Appl. **348** (2008), 2: 746–751.
- [22] W. WANG, J. YUAN AND B. W. HE, *Inequalities for L_p -dual affine surface area*, Math. Inequal. Appl. **13** (2010), 2: 319–327.
- [23] W. D. WANG AND G. S. LENG, *L_p -mixed affine surface area*, J. Math. Anal. Appl. **335** (2007), 1: 341–354.
- [24] W. D. WANG AND G. S. LENG, *Some affine isoperimetric inequalities associated with L_p -affine surface area*, Houston J. Math. **34** (2008), 2: 443–453.
- [25] W. D. WANG, D. J. WEI AND Y. XIANG, *Some Inequalities for the L_p -curvature image*, J. Inequal. Appl. **2009** (2009), 6, 12 pages.
- [26] E. WERNER, *On L_p -affine surface area*, Indiana Univ. Math. J. **56** (2007), 2305–2324.
- [27] E. WERNER, *Rényi divergence and L_p -affine surface area for convex bodies*, Adv. Math. **230** (2012), 3: 1040–1059.
- [28] E. WERNER AND D. YE, *New L_p -affine isoperimetric inequalities*, Adv. Math. **218** (2008), 3: 762–780.
- [29] E. WERNER AND D. YE, *Inequalities for mixed p -affine surface area*, Math. Ann. **347** (2010), 3: 703–737.
- [30] D. P. YE, *Inequalities for general mixed affine surface area*, J. London Math. Soc. **85** (2011), 1: 703–737.

- [31] D. P. YE, B. C. ZHU AND J. Z. ZHOU, *The mixed L_p geominimal surface area for multiple convex bodies*, *Indiana Univ. Math. J.* **64** (2013), 5: 1513–1552.
- [32] P. ZHANG, W. D. WANG AND L. SI, *The mixed L_p -dual affine surface area for multiple star bodies*, *J. Nonlinear Sci. Appl.* **9** (2016), 2813–2822.

(Received January 3, 2018)

Bin Chen

*Department of Mathematics
China Three Gorges University
Yichang, China*

Weidong Wang

*Department of Mathematics
China Three Gorges University
Yichang, China
and*

*Three Gorges Mathematical Research Center
China Three Gorges University
Yichang, China*

e-mail: wangwd722@163.com