

ONE INEQUALITY AND SOME APPLICATIONS

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Abstract. This note presents a general inequality and some applications for this inequality.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In the following, we deal with some methods how you can solve a class of problems which appeared in several problem solving math journals, for e.g. Problem 11634 from the American Mathematical Monthly, March 2012, i.e. If

$$a, m \in \mathbb{R}_+, b, c, d, x_k \in \mathbb{R}_+, \forall k = \overline{1, n}, X_n = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k, p \in [1, \infty) \text{ and } cX_n^p > d \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} x_k^p,$$

then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{(cX_n^p - dx_k^p)^m} \geq \frac{(an + b)n^{mp}}{(cn^p - d)^m} X_n^{1-mp}.$$

Also see the recently, Problem 20 from MathProblems, Volume 3, Issue 1 (2013), p.119 (a solutions is presented below in the applications 6, and other yields by Theorem from Main Results).

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem. If $n \in \mathbb{N}^* - \{1\}$, $a \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $b, c, d, x_k \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $X_n = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$, $cX_n > d \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} x_k$ and $m \in [1, \infty)$, $p \in \mathbb{R}_+$, then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^m}{(cX_n - dx_k)^p} \geq \frac{(an + b)^m}{(cn - d)^p} n^{p-m+1} X_n^{m-p} \quad (1)$$

Proof. First we note that by $cX_n > d \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} x_k \Rightarrow cX_n > dx_k, \forall k = \overline{1, n} \Rightarrow$
 $\Rightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n cX_n > d \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \Leftrightarrow cnX_n > dX_n \Leftrightarrow cn > d.$

If $x_k = X_n y_k, k = \overline{1, n}$, then $Y_n = \sum_{k=1}^n y_k = 1$, so

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$$U_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^m}{(cX_n - dx_k)^p} = \frac{X_n^m}{X_n^p} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(a + by_k)^m}{(c - dy_k)^p} = X_n^{m-p} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(a + by_k)^m}{(c - dy_k)^p} \quad (2)$$

We consider the functions

$$f, g, h: \left(0, \frac{c}{d}\right) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^*, f(x) = (a + bx)^m, g(x) = (c - dx)^{-p}, h(x) = f(x)g(x).$$

Since $h'' = f''g + 2f'g' + fg''$, and $f(x), g(x), f'(x), g'(x), f''(x), g''(x) \geq 0$,

$\forall x \in \left(0, \frac{c}{d}\right)$, we have $h''(x) > 0$, $\forall x \in \left(0, \frac{c}{d}\right)$, therefore h is convex on $\left(0, \frac{c}{d}\right)$, and then we can apply the inequality of Jensen.

So, $h(y_1) + h(y_2) + \dots + h(y_n) \geq nh\left(\frac{y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right) = nh\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$, i.e.

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(a + by_k)^m}{(c - dy_k)^p} \geq n \cdot \frac{\left(a + \frac{b}{n}\right)^m}{\left(c - \frac{d}{n}\right)^p} = n^{p-m+1} \cdot \frac{(an + b)^m}{(cn - d)^p} \quad (3)$$

By (2) and (3) we deduce (1).

3. APPLICATIONS

A 1. If $m = p + 1$, then (1) becomes

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^{p+1}}{(cX_n - dx_k)^p} \geq \frac{(an + b)^{p+1}}{(cn - d)^p} X_n \quad (4)$$

Other Proof. By the inequality of Radon we have

$$V_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^{p+1}}{(cX_n - dx_k)^p} \geq \frac{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n (aX_n + bx_k)\right)^{p+1}}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n (cX_n - dx_k)\right)^p} = \frac{(anX_n + bX_n)^{p+1}}{(cnX_n - dX_n)^p} = \frac{(an + b)^{p+1}}{(cn - d)^p} X_n. \quad \square$$

A 2. If $m = 1$, then (1) becomes

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{(cX_n - dx_k)^p} \geq \frac{an + b}{(cn - d)^p} n^p X_n^{1-p} \quad (5)$$

Other Proof. By the inequality of Radon we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} W_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{(cX_n - dx_k)^p} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^{p+1}}{\left((aX_n + dx_k)(cX_n - dx_k)\right)^p} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^{p+1}}{\left(acX_n^2 + (bc - ad)X_n x_k - bdx_k^2\right)^p} \geq \\ &\geq \frac{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n (aX_n + bx_k)\right)^{p+1}}{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n (acX_n^2 + (bc - ad)X_n x_k - bdx_k^2)\right)^p} = \frac{(anX_n + bX_n)^{p+1}}{\left(acnX_n^2 + (bc - ad)X_n^2 - bd \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2\right)^p}, \end{aligned}$$

Where we taking into account by AM-QM inequality, i.e. $\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \geq \frac{X_n^2}{n}$, and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} W_n &\geq \frac{(an+b)^{p+1} X_n^{p+1}}{\left(acn+bc-ad-\frac{bd}{n}\right)^p X_n^{2p}} = \frac{(an+b)^{p+1}}{(acn^2+(bc-ad)n-bd)^p} X_n^{1-p} = \\ &= \frac{(an+b)^{p+1}}{(an+b)^p (cn-d)^p} X_n^{1-p} = \frac{an+b}{(cn-d)^p} X_n^{1-p}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

A 3. If $p = 1$, then (4) becomes

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^2}{cX_n - dx_k} \geq \frac{(an+b)^2}{cn-d} X_n \quad (6)$$

Other Proof. By Bergström's inequality we have

$$T_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(aX_n + bx_k)^2}{cX_n - dx_k} \geq \frac{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n (aX_n + bx_k)\right)^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n (cX_n - dx_k)} = \frac{(anX_n + bX_n)^2}{cnX_n - dX_n} = \frac{(an+b)^2}{cn-d} X_n. \quad \square$$

A 4. If $a = 0, b = 1$, then (6) becomes

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k^2}{cX_n - dx_k} \geq \frac{X_n}{cn-d} \quad (7)$$

Other Proof. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} T_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k^2}{cX_n - dx_k} \Leftrightarrow d^2 T_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{d^2 x_k^2}{cX_n - dx_k} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{d^2 x_k^2 - c^2 X_n^2 + c^2 X_n^2}{cX_n - dx_k} = \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n -(cX_n + dx_k) + c^2 X_n^2 \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{cX_n - dx_k} = -cnX_n - dX_n + \frac{c^2 X_n}{cn-d} (cn-d) X_n \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{cX_n - dx_k} = \\ &= -cnX_n - dX_n + \frac{c^2 X_n}{cn-d} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n (cX_n - dx_k)\right) \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{cX_n - dx_k}, \end{aligned}$$

and by AM-HM inequality we obtain

$$d^2 T_n \geq -(cn+d)X_n + \frac{c^2 n^2}{cn-d} X_n = \frac{d^2 - c^2 n^2 + c^2 n^2}{cn-d} X_n = \frac{d^2 X_n}{cn-d} \Leftrightarrow T_n \geq \frac{X_n}{cn-d}. \quad \square$$

A 5. If $m = p = 1, a = 0, b = 1$, then (1) becomes

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{cX_n - dx_k} \geq \frac{n}{cn-d} \quad (8)$$

Other Proof. The inequality (8) yields by Bergström's inequality in two ways:

First Proof

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{cX_n - dx_k} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k^2}{cX_n x_k - dx_k^2} \geq \frac{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2\right)}{cX_n^2 - d \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2} \stackrel{AM-QM}{\geq} \frac{X_n^2}{cX_n^2 - \frac{d}{n} X_n^2} = \frac{n}{cn-d}. \quad \square$$

Second Proof

$$\begin{aligned}
 dS_n &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{dx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{dx_k - cX_n + cX_n}{cX_n - dx_k} = -n + cX_n \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{cX_n - dx_k}, \\
 dS_n &\geq -n + cX_n \cdot \frac{n^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n (cX_n - dx_k)} = -n + \frac{cn^2 X_n}{cnX_n - dX_n} = -n + \frac{cn^2}{cn - d} = \\
 &= \frac{dn}{cn - d} \Leftrightarrow S_n \geq \frac{n}{cn - d}. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1. By (8) for $c = d = 1$, we obtain the inequality of Nesbitt for n variables, i.e.

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{X_n - x_k} \geq \frac{n}{n-1} \quad (9)$$

Finally we prove that:

A 6. If $n \in \mathbb{N}^* - \{1\}$, $a \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $b, c, d, x_k \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $X_n = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$, $cX_n > d \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} x_k$, then:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} \geq \frac{n(an + b)}{cn - d} \quad (10)$$

Proof. We consider the trinomial

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_n &= \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k}} \cdot Y - \sqrt{(aX_n + bx_k)(cX_n - dx_k)} \right)^2 = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} \cdot Y^2 - 2 \left(\sum_{k=1}^n (aX_n + bx_k) \right) Y + \sum_{k=1}^n (aX_n + bx_k)(cX_n - dx_k) = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} \cdot Y^2 - 2(an + b)X_n Y + \sum_{k=1}^n (acX_n^2 + (bc - ad)X_n x_k - bdx_k^2) = \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} \cdot Y^2 - 2(an + b)X_n Y + acnX_n^2 + (bc - ad)X_n^2 - bd \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

We note that $T_n(y) \geq 0$, $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}$, so yields that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta' &= (an + b)^2 X_n^2 - \left(\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} \right) \left((acn + bc - ad)X_n^2 - bd \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \right) \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} \geq \frac{(an + b)^2 X_n^2}{\left((acn + bc - ad)X_n^2 - bd \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \right)},
 \end{aligned}$$

and if we taking account by $\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 \geq \frac{X_n^2}{n}$, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{aX_n + bx_k}{cX_n - dx_k} &\geq \frac{(an + b)^2 X_n^2}{\left(acn + bc - ad - \frac{bd}{n} \right) X_n^2} = \frac{(an + b)^2 n}{acn^2 + (bc - ad)n - bd} = \frac{(an + b)^2 n}{(an + b)(cn - d)} = \\
 &= \frac{(an + b)n}{cn - d}. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark 2. The inequality (10) yields by (1) taking $m = p = 1$.