

Generalisation of the inequalities proposed I.M.O. Madrid 2008 and India-International Mathematical Olympiad Training Camp2010

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*Abstract: In the paper given generalisation inequalities using
Lagrange identity.*

The inequality proposed for I.M.O.2008 Madrid:

(i) If x,y and z are three real numbers,all different from 1,such that $xyz=1$, then
prove that :

$$\frac{x^2}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{y^2}{(y-1)^2} + \frac{z^2}{(z-1)^2} \geq 1 \quad (1)$$

(ii) Proof that equality achieved for infinitely many triples of rational numbers x,y and z

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For $x_k \in \mathbf{R}$ and $\lambda_k \in \mathbf{R}_+$ following the Lagrange identity :

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k x_k^2 = \frac{\left(\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k x_k \right)^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} + \frac{\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \lambda_i \lambda_j (x_i - x_j)^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \quad (2)$$

The identity (2) imply the inequality :

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k x_k^2 \geq \frac{\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \lambda_i \lambda_j (x_i - x_j)^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \geq \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \lambda_{k+1} (x_k - x_{k+1})^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k}, \text{ where } \lambda_{n+1} = \lambda_1 \text{ and } x_{n+1} = x_1 ; [3]$$

Obtain the inequality:
$$\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k x_k^2 \geq \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \lambda_{k+1} (x_k - x_{k+1})^2}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \quad ; \quad [4]$$

In the inequality [4] for $\lambda_k = \frac{1}{(x_k - x_{k+1})^2}$, k=1,2,...,n to obtain :

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k^2}{(x_k - x_{k+1})^2} \geq \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \lambda_{k+1} \frac{1}{\lambda_k}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_{k+1}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} = \frac{\sum_{k=2}^{n+1} \lambda_k}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} = 1 \quad \text{because} \quad \lambda_{n+1} = \lambda_1 \quad [5]$$

The inequality [5] write $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\left(\frac{x_k}{x_{k+1}}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{x_k}{x_{k+1}} - 1\right)^2} \geq 1$ let $\frac{x_k}{x_{k+1}} = y_k$ for $k=1, 2, \dots, n$ to obtain

the inequality: $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{y_k^2}{(y_k - 1)^2} \geq 1$ for $y_k \in \mathbf{R}$ and $\prod_{k=1}^n y_k = 1$, $y_k \neq 1$ for $k=1, 2, \dots, n$

The inequality proposed India-International Mathematical Olympiad Training Camp 2010:

Let ABC be a triangle. Let Ω be the brocard point. Proof that:

$$\left(\frac{A\Omega}{BC}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{B\Omega}{CA}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{C\Omega}{AB}\right)^2 \geq 1 \quad (6)$$

In the paper generalisation the inequality:

Let $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$ be a convex polygon and $M \in \text{Int}(A_1 A_2 \dots A_n)$ then:

$$\left(\frac{MA_1}{A_p A_{p+1}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{MA_2}{A_{p+1} A_{p+2}}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{MA_n}{A_{p+n-1} A_{p+n}}\right)^2 \geq 1 \quad (7)$$

where $p \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ and $A_{n+k} = A_k$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Following Lagrange relation in geometry;

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k MA_k^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \cdot MG^2 + \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \cdot \sum_{i < j} \lambda_i \lambda_j (A_i A_j)^2 \quad (8)$$

for permutation $\lambda_1 \rightarrow \lambda_{\sigma(1)}$; $\lambda_2 \rightarrow \lambda_{\sigma(2)}$; $\lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda_{\sigma(n)}$

$$\text{to obtain: } \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_{\sigma(k)} MA_k^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k \cdot MG^2 + \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \sum_{i \neq j} \lambda_{\sigma(i)} \lambda_{\sigma(j)} (A_{\sigma(i)} A_{\sigma(j)})^2 \geq$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \sum_{r=1}^n \lambda_r \lambda_{r+1} (A_r A_{r+1})^2$$

for $\lambda_r = \frac{1}{(A_r A_{r+1})^2}$; to obtain:

$$\frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \sum_{r=1}^n \lambda_r \lambda_{r+1} (A_r A_{r+1})^2 = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} \sum_{r=1}^n \lambda_r \lambda_{r+1} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_r} = \frac{\sum_{r=1}^n \lambda_{r+1}}{\sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k} = 1$$

because $\lambda_{n+1} = \lambda_1$

for $\sigma(k) = p + k - 1$, to obtain: $\lambda_{\sigma(k)} = \lambda_{p+k-1} = \frac{1}{(A_{p+k-1} A_{p+k})^2}$

and proved the inequality (7)

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