

One refinement of Weitzenböck's inequality

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Prove that in any $\triangle ABC$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 4S \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right) - \frac{3}{2}}$$

where S is area of $\triangle ABC$.

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We will denote area of $\triangle ABC$ via F and let R, r, s be circumradius, inradius and semiperimeter of $\triangle ABC$. Let $x := s - a, y := s - b, z := s - c, p := xy + yz + zx, q := xyz$. Then, assuming $s = 1$ (due homogeneity) we obtain $x, y, z > 0, x + y + z = 1, a = 1 - x,$

$$b = 1 - y, c = 1 - z, r = \sqrt{\frac{1}{s} \prod (x - a)} = \sqrt{q}, abc = p - q, F = \sqrt{q},$$

$$ab + bc + ca = 1 + p, a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 2(1 - p) \text{ and } a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 = (ab + bc + ca)^2 - 2abc(a + b + c) = (1 + p)^2 - 4(p - q) = (1 - p)^2 + 4q.$$

and, therefore,

$$(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)^2 - 16F^2 \cdot \left(\frac{(a^2 + b^2 + c^2)(a^2b^2 + b^2c^2 + c^2a^2)}{2a^2b^2c^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) = 4(1 - p)^2 - 16 \cdot q \left(\frac{2(1 - p)((1 - p)^2 + 4q)}{2(p - q)^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right).$$

Since $3p = 3(xy + yz + zx) \leq (x + y + z)^2 = 1$ and $p > 0$ then $t := \sqrt{1 - 3p}, p = \frac{1 - t^2}{3}$ and $p \in (0, 1/3] \Leftrightarrow t \in [0, 1)$. Also note that $q = xyz \leq \frac{x + y + z}{3} \cdot \frac{xy + yz + zx}{3} = \frac{p}{9}$.

Since $q \left(\frac{2(1 - p)((1 - p)^2 + 4q)}{2(p - q)^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right)$ increase by $q \in (0, p/9]$

and $* q \leq \frac{(1 - t)^2(1 + 2t)}{27}$ (it is the best upper bound for q) then

$$4(1 - p)^2 - 16 \cdot q \left(\frac{2(1 - p)((1 - p)^2 + 4q)}{2(p - q)^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \geq 4 \left(\frac{2 + t^2}{3} \right)^2 -$$

$$16 \cdot \frac{(1 - t)^2(1 + 2t)}{27} \left(\frac{2 \cdot \left(\frac{2 + t^2}{3} \right) \left(\left(\frac{2 + t^2}{3} \right)^2 + 4 \cdot \frac{(1 - t)^2(1 + 2t)}{27} \right)}{2 \left(\frac{1 - t^2}{3} - \frac{(1 - t)^2(1 + 2t)}{27} \right)^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) =$$

$$\frac{4}{9} t^2 (t - 1)^2 \frac{(t - 4)^2}{(t + 2)^2} \geq 0.$$

* Let $t \in [0, 1)$ and $p = \frac{1 - t^2}{3}$ then Vieta's System of equations

$$1) \begin{cases} x + y + z = 1 \\ xy + yz + zx = p \\ xyz = q \end{cases} \text{ is solvable in real } x, y, z \geq 0 \text{ iff}$$

$$\max \left\{ 0, \frac{(1+t)^2(1-2t)}{27} \right\} \leq q \leq \frac{(1-t)^2(1+2t)}{27} .$$

Remark 1.

Trying to use for q more simple upper bounds, such as $p^2/3$ and $p^2/(4-3p)$ don't led to success.

Remark 2.

Inequality of the problem can be considered as refinement of Weitzenböck's inequality $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 4\sqrt{3} F$, which is different from Hadwiger–Finsler inequality

Indeed, $\frac{1}{2}(a^2 + b^2 + c^2) \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{1}{c^2} \right) - \frac{3}{2} \geq \frac{9}{2} - \frac{3}{2} = 3.$