



## One ring of inequalities

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At the beginning we consider independently several inequalities which appeared in different time in different published materials.

Here is the list of these inequalities:

### 1. Sharp Quadratic Mix Inequality

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca \geq \sqrt[3]{abc} \left( a + b + c - 3\sqrt[3]{abc} \right), a, b, c > 0 \quad (SQM)$$

### 2. Turkevich's Inequality [3]

$$x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + t^4 + 2xyzt \geq$$

$$x^2y^2 + y^2z^2 + z^2t^2 + t^2x^2 + x^2z^2 + y^2t^2, x, y, z, t > 0. \quad (T)$$

### 3. Dospinescu-Lascu-Tetiva inequality [1]

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc \geq (1 + a)(1 + b)(1 + c), a, b, c > 0. \quad (DLT)$$

### 4. Darij Grinberg Inequality [2]. pr.5, p.5

$$1 + 2abc + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 2ab + 2bc + 2ca, a, b, c \geq 0. \quad (DG)$$

*Proofs.*

1. *Proof of (SQM).* Due to homogeneity assume that  $a + b + c = 1$  then, denoting  $p := ab + bc + ca, q := abc$ , obtain (SQM)

$$\iff 1 - 3p \geq \sqrt[3]{q} (1 - 3\sqrt[3]{q}).$$

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Since

$$p \leq \frac{1+9q}{4} \iff 1 \geq 4p - 9q$$

(Schur's Inequality  $\sum_{cyc} a(a-b)(a-c) \geq 0$  in p-q notation) and

$$q = abc \leq \left(\frac{a+b+c}{3}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{27} \text{ suffices to prove}$$

$$1 - \frac{3(1+9q)}{4} \geq \sqrt[3]{q}(1-3\sqrt[3]{q}) \iff 1 - 27q \geq 4\sqrt[3]{q}(1-3\sqrt[3]{q})$$

for any  $q \in \left[0, \frac{1}{27}\right]$ .

We have

$$1 - 27q - 4\sqrt[3]{q} + 12\sqrt[3]{q^2} = (1 - 3\sqrt[3]{q}) \left(1 + \sqrt[3]{q} + \sqrt[3]{q^2}\right) - 4\sqrt[3]{q}(1 - 3\sqrt[3]{q}) =$$

$$(1 - 3\sqrt[3]{q}) \left(\left(1 - 3\sqrt[3]{q} + \sqrt[3]{q^2}\right)\right) = (1 - 3\sqrt[3]{q})^2 + \sqrt[3]{q^2}(1 - 3\sqrt[3]{q}) \geq 0.$$

**Remark.** By setting  $x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{a^2}{bc}}, x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{b^2}{ca}}, x = \sqrt[3]{\frac{c^2}{ab}}$  in (SQM), we obtain

$$\sum_{cyc} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a^4}{b^2c^2}} + 3 \geq \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[3]{\frac{bc}{a^2}} + \sum_{cyc} \sqrt[3]{\frac{a^2}{bc}} \iff$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 3 \geq x + y + z + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{z}$$

which holds for any  $x, y, z > 0$  such that  $xyz = 1$ .

3. Proof of (DLT). Since

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc + 3 \geq (1+a)(1+b)(1+c) \iff$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc + 3 \geq 1 + a + b + c + ab + bc + ca + abc \iff$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 2a - 2b - 2c + 3 \geq 1 - a - b - c + ab + bc + ca - abc \iff$$

$$(1-a)^2 + (1-b)^2 + (1-c)^2 \geq (1-a)(1-b)(1-c).$$

then denoting  $x := 1 - a, y := 1 - b, z := 1 - c$  we obtain for original inequality new equivalent form

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq xyz \quad (B)$$

where  $x, y, z < 1$ .

Since for  $xyz \leq 0$  this inequality obviously holds, then enough to prove it for  $xyz > 0$ . In that case at least one of the variables is positive. Let it be  $z$ . Then  $z \in (0, 1)$ ,  $xy > 0$  and

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \geq 2xy + z^2 > 2xyz + z^2 > xyz.$$

Equality holds iff  $x = y = z = 0$ .

4. Proof of (DG). Since

$$1 + 2abc + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 2ab + 2bc + 2ca \iff$$

$$1 + 2abc + (a + b + c)^2 \geq 4(ab + bc + ca) \iff$$

$$(a + b + c)(1 + 2abc) + (a + b + c)^3 \geq 4(ab + bc + ca)(a + b + c)$$

and by Schur's Inequality

$$(a + b + c)^3 + 9abc \geq 4(ab + bc + ca)(a + b + c)$$

then suffices to prove inequality

$$(a + b + c)(1 + 2abc) \geq 9abc.$$

This inequality immediately follows from  $a + b + c \geq 3\sqrt[3]{abc}$  and

$$\sqrt[3]{abc}(1 + 2abc) \geq 3abc \iff 1 + 2abc - 3\sqrt[3]{a^2b^2c^2} \geq 0 \iff$$

$$\left(\sqrt[3]{abc} - 1\right)^2 \left(2\sqrt[3]{abc} + 1\right) \geq 0.$$

Consider now another proof of inequality (DG).

$$1 + 2abc + a^2 + b^2 + c^2 \geq 2ab + 2bc + 2ca \iff$$

$$3+a^2+b^2+c^2-2(a+b+c) \geq 2-2(a+b+c)+2ab+2bc+2ca-2abc \iff$$

$$(1-a)^2+(1-b)^2+(1-c)^2 \geq$$

$$\geq 2(1-a)(1-b)(1-c) \iff x^2+y^2+z^2 \geq 2xyz,$$

where  $x = 1 - a < 1, y = 1 - b < 1, z = 1 - c < 1$ .

Consider two cases:

1.  $xyz \leq 0$  then inequality obvious;
2. Let  $xyz > 0$ , then if  $x, y, z > 0$  we have  $x, y, z \in (0, 1]$  and, therefore,

$$x^2+y^2+z^2-2xyz = (x-yz)^2+y^2+z^2-y^2z^2 = (x-yz)^2+y^2(1-z^2)+z^2 \geq 0;$$

if  $x > 0$  and  $yz > 0$  then  $x \in (0, 1]$  and

$$x^2+y^2+z^2-2xyz \geq x^2+2yz(1-x) \geq 0.$$

Thus (DG) equivalent to inequality

$$x^2+y^2+z^2 \geq 2xyz, \tag{B1}$$

where  $x, y, z < 1$ .

**Remark.** Note that inequality (B1) stronger then (B) .

Indeed, if  $xyz \leq 0$  then (B) and (B1) holds simultaneously; if  $xyz > 0$  then

$$x^2+y^2+z^2 \geq 2xyz \geq xyz.$$

Replacing  $(a, b, c)$  in (DG) with  $\left(\frac{a}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}, \frac{b}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}, \frac{c}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}\right)$  or  $(x, y, z)$

in (B) with  $\left(1 - \frac{a}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}, 1 - \frac{b}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}, 1 - \frac{c}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}\right)$  we obtain another Sharp Quadratic Mix Inequality (SQM1)

$$a^2+b^2+c^2-ab-bc-ca \geq ab+bc+ca-3\sqrt[3]{a^2b^2c^2}.$$

**Theorem.** (B)  $\implies$  (SQM)  $\implies$  (T)  $\implies$  (DLT)  $\implies$  (B).

*Proof.* (B)  $\implies$  (SQM) :

Let  $x = 1 - u$ ,  $y = 1 - v$ ,  $z = 1 - w$  then  $u, v, w > 0$  and

$$(1 - u)^2 + (1 - v)^2 + (1 - w)^2 \geq (1 - u)(1 - v)(1 - w) \iff$$

$$u^2 + v^2 + w^2 + 2 + uvw \geq u + v + w + uv + vw + wu.$$

In particular for  $u := \frac{a}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}$ ,  $v := \frac{b}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}$ ,  $w := \frac{c}{\sqrt[3]{abc}}$  where  $a, b, c > 0$ , since  $uvw = 1$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a^2}{(\sqrt[3]{abc})^2} + \frac{b^2}{(\sqrt[3]{abc})^2} + \frac{c^2}{(\sqrt[3]{abc})^2} + 3 &\geq \frac{a}{\sqrt[3]{abc}} + \frac{b}{\sqrt[3]{abc}} + \frac{c}{\sqrt[3]{abc}} + \\ &\frac{ab}{(\sqrt[3]{abc})^2} + \frac{bc}{(\sqrt[3]{abc})^2} + \frac{ca}{(\sqrt[3]{abc})^2} \iff \end{aligned}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - 3(\sqrt[3]{abc})^2 \geq \sqrt[3]{abc}(a + b + c) + ab + bc + ca \iff$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca \geq \sqrt[3]{abc}(a + b + c - 3\sqrt[3]{abc}).$$

(SQM)  $\implies$  (T) :

Denote  $a := x^2$ ,  $b := y^2$ ,  $c := z^2$ ,  $d := t^2$  and due to homogeneity and symmetry of (T) suppose that  $abcd = 1$  and  $d = \min\{a, b, c, d\}$ . Then (T) becomes

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2 + 2 \geq ab + bc + cd + da + ac + bd \iff$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca \geq d(a + b + c) - 2 - d^2. \quad (T1)$$

Since  $d = \min\{a, b, c, d\}$  and  $abcd = 1$  then  $abc = \frac{1}{d}$  and  $1 \geq d^4 \implies d \leq 1$ . Due to (SQM)

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca \geq \sqrt[3]{abc}(a + b + c - 3\sqrt[3]{abc}) = \frac{a + b + c}{\sqrt[3]{d}} - \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{d^2}}$$

and

$$a + b + c \geq 3\sqrt[3]{abc} = \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{d}} \iff \sqrt[3]{d}(a + b + c) \geq 3$$

we have

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - ab - bc - ca - (d(a + b + c) - 2 - d^2) \geq$$

$$\frac{a + b + c}{\sqrt[3]{d}} - \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{d^2}} - (d(a + b + c) - 2 - d^2) = \sqrt[3]{d}(a + b + c) \left(1 - d\sqrt[3]{d}\right) +$$

$$2\sqrt[3]{d^2} + d^2\sqrt[3]{d^2} - 3 \geq 3 \left(1 - d\sqrt[3]{d}\right) + 2\sqrt[3]{d^2} + d^2\sqrt[3]{d^2} - 3 = \sqrt[3]{d^2} \left(d^2 - 3\sqrt[3]{d^2} + 2\right) =$$

$$= \sqrt[3]{d^2} \left(\sqrt[3]{d^2} - 1\right)^2 \left(\sqrt[3]{d^2} + 1\right) \geq 0.$$

(T)  $\implies$  (DLT) :

By setting in (T)  $t = 1, a = x^2, b = y^2, c = z^2$  we obtain

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 1 + 2\sqrt{abc} \geq ab + bc + ca + a + b + c$$

and since  $2\sqrt{abc} \leq 1 + abc$  then

$$ab + bc + ca + a + b + c \leq a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + abc + 2 \iff$$

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + 2abc + 3 \geq (1 + a)(1 + b)(1 + c).$$

(DLT)  $\implies$  (B) :

See in the proof of (DLT).

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