

A SIMPLE PROOF FOR ROGER'S INEQUALITY AND APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we will give a simple proof for Roger's inequality and a few applications.

ROGER'S INEQUALITY

If $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n > 0; n \in \mathbb{N}^*; s \in (0, 1)$ then:

$$(1) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^s \cdot b_i^{1-s} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^s \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right)^{1-s}$$

Proof.

Let be $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; f(x) = x^\alpha - \alpha x; \alpha \in (0, 1)$

$$f'(x) = \alpha x^{\alpha-1} - \alpha = \alpha(x^{\alpha-1} - 1)$$

$$f'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x^{\alpha-1} - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x^{\alpha-1} = 1 \Rightarrow x = 1$$

f increasing on $(0, 1)$

f decreasing on $(1, \infty)$

$$\max_{x>0} f(x) = f(1) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$(2) \quad f(x) \leq f(1) \Rightarrow x^\alpha - \alpha x \leq 1 - \alpha$$

$$\text{Let be } p = \frac{1}{\alpha}; q = \frac{p}{p-1} = \frac{1}{1-\alpha}$$

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \alpha + 1 - \alpha = 1$$

$$\alpha \in (0, 1) \Rightarrow p > 1$$

For $A, B > 0$ let be $x = \frac{A}{B}$ in (2) :

$$\left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^\alpha - \alpha \left(\frac{A}{B}\right) \leq 1 - \alpha$$

$$\left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} - \frac{1}{p} \cdot \left(\frac{A}{B}\right) \leq 1 - \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} - \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{A}{B}\right) \leq \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{A^{\frac{1}{p}}}{B^{\frac{1}{p}}} - \frac{A}{pB} \leq \frac{1}{q}$$

$$\frac{A^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{q}}}{B^{\frac{1}{p}}} - \frac{A}{p} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{q}-1} \leq \frac{1}{q} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$A^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{q}} - \frac{A}{p} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}-1} \leq \frac{1}{q} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$A^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{q}} - \frac{A}{p} \cdot B^{1-1} \leq \frac{1}{q} \cdot B$$

$$(3) \quad A^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot B^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \frac{A}{p} + \frac{B}{q}$$

Let be:

$$A = \frac{x_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p}; B = \frac{y_i^q}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} \text{ in (3)}$$

$$\left(\frac{x_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\frac{y_i^q}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \leq \frac{1}{p} \cdot \frac{x_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p} + \frac{1}{q} \cdot \frac{y_i^q}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}$$

$$\frac{x_i \cdot y_i}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \leq \frac{1}{p \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p} \cdot x_i^p + \frac{1}{q \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} \cdot y_i^q$$

By summing:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}} \leq \frac{1}{p} \cdot \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p} + \frac{1}{q} \cdot \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q}{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{p} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{q} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \text{ (Hölder)}$$

In Hölder's inequality we take:

$$x_i = a_i^s; y_i = b_i^{1-s}$$

$$p = \frac{1}{s}; q = \frac{1}{1-s}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^s b_i^{1-s} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i^s)^{\frac{1}{s}} \right)^s \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (b_i^{\frac{1}{1-s}})^{\frac{1}{1-s}} \right)^{1-s}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^s b_i^{1-s} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^s \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right)^{1-s}$$

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Application 1 (Huygens' inequality)

If $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 > 0$ then:

$$(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2) \geq (\sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2})^2$$

Proof.

$$\text{We take in (1) : } n = 2; s = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot b_1^{\frac{1}{2}} + a_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot b_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq (a_1 + a_2)^{\frac{1}{2}} (b_1 + b_2)^{1-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2} \leq \sqrt{(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)}$$

$$(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2) \geq (\sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2})^2$$

□

Application 2.

If $a_1, a_2, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3 > 0$ then:

$$(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)(b_1 + b_2 + b_3) \geq (\sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2} + \sqrt{a_3 b_3})^2$$

Proof.

We take in (1) : $n = 3; s = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot b_1^{\frac{1}{2}} + a_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot b_2^{\frac{1}{2}} + a_3^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot b_3^{\frac{1}{2}} &\leq (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot (b_1 + b_2 + b_3)^{1-\frac{1}{2}} \\ \sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2} + \sqrt{a_3 b_3} &\leq \sqrt{(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)(b_1 + b_2 + b_3)} \\ (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)(b_1 + b_2 + b_3) &\geq (\sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2} + \sqrt{a_3 b_3})^2 \end{aligned}$$

□

Application 3.

If $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 > 0$ then:

$$(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)^2 \geq (\sqrt[3]{a_1 b_1^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_2 b_2^2})^3$$

Proof.

We take in (1) : $n = 2; s = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot b_1^{\frac{2}{3}} + a_2^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot b_2^{\frac{2}{3}} &\leq (a_1 + a_2)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot (b_1 + b_2)^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ \sqrt[3]{a_1 b_1^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_2 b_2^2} &\leq \sqrt[3]{(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)^2} \\ (a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)^2 &\geq (\sqrt[3]{a_1 b_1^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_2 b_2^2})^3 \end{aligned}$$

□

Application 4.

If $a_1, a_2, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3 > 0$ then:

$$(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)(b_1 + b_2 + b_3)^2 \geq (\sqrt[3]{a_1 b_1^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_2 b_2^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_3 b_3^2})^3$$

Proof.

We take in (1) : $n = 3; s = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1^{\frac{1}{3}} b_1^{\frac{2}{3}} + a_2^{\frac{1}{3}} b_2^{\frac{2}{3}} + a_3^{\frac{1}{3}} b_3^{\frac{2}{3}} &\leq (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot (b_1 + b_2 + b_3)^{\frac{2}{3}} \\ \sqrt[3]{a_1 b_1^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_2 b_2^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_3 b_3^2} &\leq \sqrt[3]{(a_1 + a_2 + a_3)(b_1 + b_2 + b_3)^2} \\ (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)(b_1 + b_2 + b_3)^2 &\geq (\sqrt[3]{a_1 b_1^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_2 b_2^2} + \sqrt[3]{a_3 b_3^2})^3 \end{aligned}$$

□

Application 5.

If $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n > 0; n \in \mathbb{N}^*; s \in (0, 1)$ then:

$$(4) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^s \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_i}\right)^{1-s} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i\right)^s \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{b_i}\right)^{1-s}$$

Proof.

We replace in (1) : $b_i \rightarrow \frac{1}{b_i}$

□

Application 6.

If $a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 > 0$ then:

$$(a_1 + a_2) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} \right) \geq \left(\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{b_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_2}{b_2}} \right)^2$$

Proof.

We take in (4) : $n = 2; s = \frac{1}{2}$

$$a_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_1} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{2}} + a_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{2}} \leq (a_1 + a_2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{a_1^{\frac{1}{2}}}{b_1^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{a_2^{\frac{1}{2}}}{b_2^{\frac{1}{2}}} \leq (a_1 + a_2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{b_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_2}{b_2}} \leq \sqrt{(a_1 + a_2) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} \right)}$$

$$(a_1 + a_2) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} \right) \geq \left(\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{b_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_2}{b_2}} \right)^2$$

□

Application 7.

If $a_1, a_2, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3 > 0$ then:

$$(a_1 + a_2 + a_3) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3} \right) \geq \left(\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{b_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_2}{b_2}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_3}{b_3}} \right)^2$$

Proof.

We take in (4) : $n = 3; s = \frac{1}{2}$

$$a_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_1} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{2}} + a_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_2} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{2}} + a_3^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_3} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{2}} \leq (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3} \right)^{1-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\frac{a_1^{\frac{1}{2}}}{b_1^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{a_2^{\frac{1}{2}}}{b_2^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{a_3^{\frac{1}{2}}}{b_3^{\frac{1}{2}}} \leq (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{b_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_2}{b_2}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_3}{b_3}} \leq \sqrt{(a_1 + a_2 + a_3) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3} \right)}$$

$$(a_1 + a_2 + a_3) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3} \right) \geq \left(\sqrt{\frac{a_1}{b_1}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_2}{b_2}} + \sqrt{\frac{a_3}{b_3}} \right)^2$$

□

Application 8.

If $a_1, a_2, a_3, b_1, b_2, b_3 > 0$ then:

$$(a_1 + a_2 + a_3) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3} \right)^2 \geq \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{a_1}{b_1^2}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_2}{b_2^2}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_3}{b_3^2}} \right)^3$$

Proof.

We take in (4) : $n = 3; s = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\begin{aligned} a_1^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_1}\right)^{1-\frac{1}{3}} + a_2^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_2}\right)^{1-\frac{1}{3}} + a_3^{\frac{1}{3}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b_3}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} &\leq (a_1 + a_2 + a_3)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3}\right)^{1-\frac{1}{3}} \\ \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_1}{b_1^2}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_2}{b_2^2}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_3}{b_3^2}} &\leq \sqrt[3]{(a_1 + a_2 + a_3) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3}\right)^2} \\ (a_1 + a_2 + a_3) \left(\frac{1}{b_1} + \frac{1}{b_2} + \frac{1}{b_3}\right)^2 &\geq \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{a_1}{b_1}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_2}{b_2}} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{a_3}{b_3}}\right)^3 \end{aligned}$$

□

Application 9.

If $x, y \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ then:

$$\sqrt{\sin 2x} + \sqrt{\sin 2y} \leq \sqrt{2(\sin x + \sin y)(\cos x + \cos y)}$$

Proof.

We take in (1) : $n = 2; s = \frac{1}{2}$;

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 = \sin x; a_2 = \sin y; b_1 = \cos x; b_2 = \cos y \\ \sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2} &\leq \sqrt{(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)} \\ \sqrt{\sin x \cos x} + \sqrt{\sin y \cos y} &\leq \sqrt{(\sin x + \sin y)(\cos x + \cos y)} \\ \sqrt{2 \sin x \cos x} + \sqrt{2 \sin y \cos y} &\leq \sqrt{2(\sin x + \sin y)(\cos x + \cos y)} \\ \sqrt{\sin 2x} + \sqrt{\sin 2y} &\leq \sqrt{2(\sin x + \sin y)(\cos x + \cos y)} \end{aligned}$$

□

Application 10.

If $x, y, z \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ then:

$$\sqrt{\sin 2x} + \sqrt{\sin 2y} + \sqrt{\sin 2z} \leq \sqrt{2(\sin x + \sin y + \sin z)(\cos x + \cos y + \cos z)}$$

Proof.

We take in (1) : $n = 3; s = \frac{1}{2}$

$$a_1 = \sin x; a_2 = \sin y; a_3 = \sin z$$

$$b_1 = \cos x; b_2 = \cos y; b_3 = \cos z$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{\sin x \cos x} + \sqrt{\sin y \cos y} + \sqrt{\sin z \cos z} &\leq \sqrt{(\sin x + \sin y + \sin z)(\cos x + \cos y + \cos z)} \\ \sqrt{2 \sin x \cos x} + \sqrt{2 \sin y \cos y} + \sqrt{2 \sin z \cos z} &\leq \sqrt{2(\sin x + \sin y + \sin z)(\cos x + \cos y + \cos z)} \\ \sqrt{\sin 2x} + \sqrt{\sin 2y} + \sqrt{\sin 2z} &\leq \sqrt{2(\sin x + \sin y + \sin z)(\cos x + \cos y + \cos z)} \end{aligned}$$

□

Application 11.

If $x, y, z, t \in \mathbb{R}$ then:

$$\sqrt{e^{x+y}} + \sqrt{e^{z+t}} \leq \sqrt{(e^x + e^z)(e^y + e^t)}$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We take in (1) : } n = 2; s = \frac{1}{2} \\ a_1 = e^x; a_2 = e^z \\ b_1 = e^y; b_2 = e^t \\ \sqrt{a_1 b_1} + \sqrt{a_2 b_2} \leq \sqrt{(a_1 + a_2)(b_1 + b_2)} \\ \sqrt{e^x \cdot e^y} + \sqrt{e^z \cdot e^t} \leq \sqrt{(e^x + e^z)(e^y + e^t)} \\ \sqrt{e^{x+y}} + \sqrt{e^{z+t}} \leq \sqrt{(e^x + e^z)(e^y + e^t)} \end{aligned}$$

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