

Today

4 Series

- 1) n th Triangular #
- 2) n th Harmonic #
- 3) Inverse Squares
- 4) Geometric

Fig 3 Inequalities

- 1) Cauchy - Schwarz
- 2) AM - GM
- 3) Jensen's Inequality (+ convexity)

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4 Series to Know

① n th Triangular Number : $\sum_{i=1}^n i = \Theta(n^2)$

$$1+2+3+\dots+n-2+n-1+n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$\times \frac{n}{2} \text{ times}$

Really for even n
For odd n get middle term

$$\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)(n+1) + \frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

② n th Harmonic Number : $H_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} = \Theta(\log n)$

$$\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} \geq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$$

$\Theta(\log n)$

③ Inverse Squares : $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} = \Theta(1)$

Add/Subtract: $\frac{1}{i(i-1)} = \frac{1-i+i}{i(i-1)} = \frac{i-(i-1)}{i(i-1)} = \frac{1}{i-1} - \frac{1}{i}$

Telescoping: $\sum_{i=2}^n \frac{1}{i-1} - \frac{1}{i} = \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n}$
 $= 1 - \frac{1}{n}$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i^2} \leq 1 + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{1}{i(i-1)} = 1 + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{1}{i-1} - \frac{1}{i} = 1 + 1 - \frac{1}{n} \leq 2$$

$\Omega(1)$ trivial

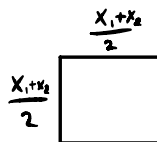
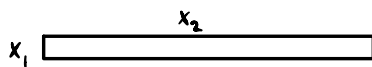
④ Geometric : $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} r^i = \Theta(1)$ (for $r \in (0,1)$)

Series as Variable: Let $S := \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} r^i$ so $S = 1+r+r^2+\dots = 1+r \cdot S$
so $S(1-r) = 1 \rightarrow S = \frac{1}{1-r}$

2 Geometrically "Obvious" Facts and The "Big 3" Inequalities

Puzzle ①: "Square maximizes area"

given a rectangle w/ side lengths x_1, x_2
 then square w/ side lengths $\frac{x_1+x_2}{2}, \frac{x_1+x_2}{2}$
 has larger area



Puzzle ②: "triangle inequality"

$\forall$ 3 points $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^2$, $\underline{u \rightarrow v} \leq \underline{u \rightarrow w \rightarrow v}$



Each puzzle really an algebra fact

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \prod x_i \leq \left(\frac{\sum x_i}{2} \right)^2 \quad (\Leftrightarrow) \quad \left(\prod x_i \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{\sum x_i}{2}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{Recall } d(u, v) := \sqrt{\sum_i (u_i - v_i)^2}$$

Translation invariant: $d(u+x, v+x) = d(u, v) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$d(u, v) \leq d(u, w) + d(w, v) \quad \forall u, v, w$$

$\uparrow$ (TI)

$$\underline{d(0, v-u)} \leq \underline{d(0, w-u)} + \underline{d(0, v-w)} \quad \forall u, v, w$$

$$\uparrow \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Let } \tilde{u} = w-u \\ \tilde{v} = v-w \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \tilde{u} + \tilde{v} = v-u$$

$$d(0, \tilde{u} + \tilde{v}) \leq d(0, \tilde{u}) + d(0, \tilde{v}) \quad \forall \tilde{u}, \tilde{v}$$

$\uparrow$

$$d(0, u+v) \leq d(0, u) + d(0, v) \quad \forall u, v$$

$\uparrow$

$$\sqrt{\sum_i (u_i + v_i)^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_i u_i^2} + \sqrt{\sum_i v_i^2} \quad (\Leftrightarrow) \quad \sum_i u_i v_i \leq \sqrt{\sum_i u_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_i v_i^2}$$

$$\sum_i (u_i + v_i)^2 \leq \sum_i u_i^2 + \sum_i v_i^2 + 2 \sqrt{\sum_i u_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_i v_i^2}$$

$$\sum_i 2u_i v_i \leq 2 \sqrt{\sum_i u_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_i v_i^2}$$

$$\langle u, v \rangle \leq \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle} \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle} \quad \forall u, v$$

Both provable w/ non-negativity of squares
 $\hookrightarrow x^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \sqrt{x_1 \cdot x_2} \leq \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}$$

$\updownarrow$

$$4x_1x_2 \leq x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2$$

$\updownarrow$

$$0 \leq x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2$$

$\updownarrow$

$$0 \leq (x_1 - x_2)^2$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 \leq \sqrt{(u_1^2 + u_2^2)(v_1^2 + v_2^2)}$$

$\updownarrow$

$$\cancel{u_1^2v_1^2} + 2u_1v_1u_2v_2 + \cancel{u_2^2v_2^2} \leq \cancel{u_1^2v_1^2} + \cancel{u_1^2v_2^2} + \cancel{u_2^2v_1^2} + \cancel{u_2^2v_2^2}$$

$\updownarrow$

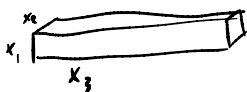
$$0 \leq u_1^2v_2^2 + u_2^2v_1^2 - 2u_1v_1u_2v_2$$

$\updownarrow$

$$0 \leq (u_1v_2 - u_2v_1)^2$$

Algorithms often about higher-dimensional geometry

Puzzle $\textcircled{1}$: "hypercube maximizes area"



$$\text{In Algebra: } \underbrace{\left(\prod_{i=1}^k x_i \right)^{1/k}}_{\text{GM}} \leq \underbrace{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^k x_i}{k}}_{\text{AM}} \quad \forall x_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

AM-GM

Puzzle $\textcircled{2}$: "triangle inequality (in higher dimensions)"

$$\text{In Algebra: } \sum_{i=1}^k u_i v_i \leq \sqrt{\left(\sum_{i=1}^k u_i^2 \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^k v_i^2 \right)} \quad \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

Cauchy-Schwarz

Proving Cauchy-Schwarz

By induction on k

Base case of $n=2$ already done

Inductive step

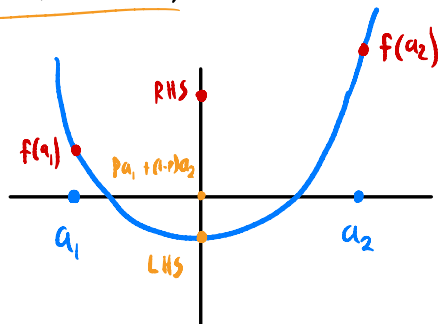
$$\begin{aligned} \underbrace{u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_{k-1} v_{k-1} + u_k v_k}_{IH} &\leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} u_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} v_i^2} + u_k v_k \\ &\leq \sqrt{\overbrace{u_1^2}^{\overline{u_1'}}} \sqrt{\overbrace{v_1^2}^{\overline{v_1'}}} + \overbrace{u_2^2}^{\overline{u_2'}} \overbrace{v_2^2}^{\overline{v_2'}}} \sqrt{(v_1')^2 + (v_2')^2} \quad (IH) \\ &= \sqrt{\sum_1^k u_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_1^k v_i^2} \end{aligned}$$

Proving AM-GM

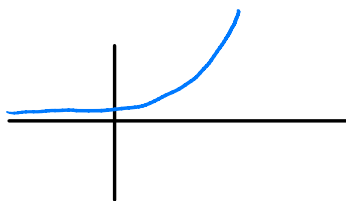
$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex if $\forall p \in [0,1]$ and $a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\underline{f(pa_1 + (1-p)a_2) \leq pf(a_1) + (1-p)f(a_2)}$$

"Bowl shape"



Eg. e^x



Jensen's Inequality

Let $p_1, \dots, p_k \in [0,1]$, s.t. $\sum_i p_i = 1$ and $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}$, f convex

Then $f(\sum_i p_i a_i) \leq \sum_i p_i f(a_i) \quad \forall \text{ convex } f$

Proof of AM-GM w/ Jensen's

Let $a_i = \ln(x_i)$, $f = e^x$ and $p_i = \frac{1}{k} \quad \forall i$

Jensen's gives

$$e^{(\ln(x_1) + \ln(x_2) + \dots)/k} \leq \sum_i \frac{1}{k} e^{\ln(x_i)}$$

$$\text{so } (\prod x_i)^{1/k} \leq \sum_i x_i / k$$

Proving Jensen's Inequality

By induction on k

Base case: $k=2 \rightarrow$ defn. of convexity

Inductive step:

$$\text{Let } p = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} p_i \quad \text{so } p_k = 1-p$$

$$f(p_1 a_1 + \dots + p_k a_k) = f\left(p \left(\frac{p_1 a_1}{p} + \dots + \frac{p_{k-1} a_{k-1}}{p}\right) + (1-p) a_k\right)$$

$$\leq p f\left(\frac{p_1 a_1}{p} + \dots + \frac{p_{k-1} a_{k-1}}{p}\right) + (1-p) f(a_k) \quad (\text{IH})$$

$$\leq p \left(\frac{p_1}{p} f(a_1) + \dots + \frac{p_{k-1}}{p} f(a_{k-1}) \right) + p_k a_k \quad (\text{IH})$$

$$= \sum_i p_i f(a_i)$$