

# Math Sec 3.1

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## Exercise. 3.31

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose that  $a^p = b^q$ . Then  $(a^p/p + b^q/q) = a^p(1/p + 1/q) = a^p$  and  $ab = (a^p)^{1/p}(b^q)^{1/q} = (a^p)^{1/p}(a^p)^{1/q} = a^p$ , showing that  $ab = a^p/p + b^q/q$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Suppose that  $ab = (1/p)a^p + (1/q)b^q$ . Upon dividing by  $ab$  and using the fact that  $a^p/b = (a^p/b^q)^{1/q}$  and  $b^q/a = (b^q/a^p)^{1/p}$ , we see that

$$\frac{1}{p}\left(\frac{a^p}{b^q}\right)^{1/q} + \frac{1}{q}\left(\frac{b^q}{a^p}\right)^{1/p} = 1$$

Let  $x = a^p/b^q$ . Multiplying by  $x^{1/p}$ , we obtain

$$\frac{1}{p}x^{1/p+1/q} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{p}x + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

This implies that  $x = a^p/b^q = 1$ , so  $a^p = b^q$ , as desired.

## Exercise. 3.32

Suppose  $\epsilon \geq 1$ . Thus, by Young's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} ab &\leq \frac{a^2}{2} + \frac{b^2}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon^2}{\epsilon} \left( \frac{a^2}{2} + \frac{b^2}{2} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{a^2 + \epsilon^2 b^2}{2\epsilon} \\ ab &\leq \frac{a^2}{2\epsilon} + \frac{\epsilon b^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Now, suppose  $\epsilon < 1$ . Thus, by Young's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} ab &\leq \frac{a^2}{2} + \frac{b^2}{2} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left( \frac{a^2 + b^2}{2} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{a^2}{2\epsilon} + \frac{b^2}{2\epsilon} \\ ab &\leq \frac{a^2}{2\epsilon} + \frac{\epsilon b^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

In all cases,  $ab \leq \frac{a^2}{2\epsilon} + \frac{\epsilon b^2}{2}$

**Exercise. 3.33**

We note first that if  $a = b$ ,

$$a^\theta b^{1-\theta} = a^\theta a^{1-\theta} = a = \theta a + (1 - \theta)a = \theta a + (1 - \theta)b$$

Now suppose  $a \neq b$

$$\begin{aligned} a^\theta b^{1-\theta} &\leq \theta a + (1 - \theta)b \\ \ln(a^\theta b^{1-\theta}) &\leq \ln(\theta a + (1 - \theta)b) \end{aligned}$$

Note that, because the natural log is convex,  $\theta \ln(a) < \ln(\theta a)$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(a^\theta b^{1-\theta}) &= \theta \ln(a) + (1 - \theta) \ln(b) \\ &< \ln(\theta a) + \ln((1 - \theta)b) \\ &< \ln(\theta a + (1 - \theta)b) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, equality holds if and only if  $a = b$ .

**Exercise. 3.34**

Letting  $\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ , we get :

$$\begin{aligned} a^{\frac{1}{2}} b^{\frac{1}{2}} &\leq \frac{1}{2}(a + b) \\ (ab)^{\frac{1}{2}} &\leq \frac{1}{2}(a + b) \\ (\text{area})^{\frac{1}{2}} &\leq \frac{1}{4} \text{Perimeter} \\ P &\geq 4\sqrt{A} \end{aligned}$$

The minimum lies at  $P = 4\sqrt{A}$  which holds only for

$$2(a + b) = 4\sqrt{ab} \Rightarrow 4(a + b)^2 = 16(ab) \Rightarrow 4(a - b)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow a = b$$

**Exercise. 3.35**

For arbitrary dimensions, we may extend the Arithmetic Geometric Mean inequality to say,

$$(x_1 \cdot \dots \cdot x_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} \leq \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}$$

Where equality holds if and only if each  $x_i$  is equal to all the others.

The  $n$ -dim. cube must have  $n$  vertices, and  $2^{n-1}$  edges, because each vertex is connected to  $n$  edges, so the total length of all vertices is going to be  $2^{n-1}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)$ , where each  $x$  is a length of a vertex. The volume is simply going to be  $2^n(x_1 \cdot \dots \cdot x_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$ , Thus, the inequality gives us

$$\begin{aligned} 2^n(x_1 \cdot \dots \cdot x_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} &\leq 2^{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ (x_1 \cdot \dots \cdot x_n)^{\frac{1}{n}} &\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ \text{Area}^{\frac{1}{n}} &\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \end{aligned}$$

The minimum value is found here when these are equal.

Note, if  $x_i = y$  for all  $i$ , then we know

$$y^n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \frac{1}{n} (n(y^n)) = y^n$$

Otherwise, we know that these won't be equal, by Exercise 33.

**Exercise. 3.36**