

# Searching for Universal Truths

## Algebra

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# Navigating Mathematical and Statistical Territories

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## Notations

- sets of numbers
  - $\mathbf{N}$  - set of natural numbers
  - $\mathbf{Z}$  - set of integers
  - $\mathbf{Z}_+$  - set of nonnegative integers
  - $\mathbf{Q}$  - set of rational numbers
  - $\mathbf{R}$  - set of real numbers
  - $\mathbf{R}_+$  - set of nonnegative real numbers
  - $\mathbf{R}_{++}$  - set of positive real numbers
  - $\mathbf{C}$  - set of complex numbers
- sequences  $\langle x_i \rangle$  and the like
  - finite  $\langle x_i \rangle_{i=1}^n$ , infinite  $\langle x_i \rangle_{i=1}^\infty$  - use  $\langle x_i \rangle$  whenever unambiguously understood
  - similarly for other operations, *e.g.*,  $\sum x_i$ ,  $\prod x_i$ ,  $\cup A_i$ ,  $\cap A_i$ ,  $\times A_i$
  - similarly for integrals, *e.g.*,  $\int f$  for  $\int_{-\infty}^\infty f$
- sets
  - $\tilde{A}$  - complement of  $A$

- $A \sim B$  -  $A \cap \tilde{B}$
- $A \Delta B$  -  $(A \cap \tilde{B}) \cup (\tilde{A} \cap B)$
- $\mathcal{P}(A)$  - set of all subsets of  $A$
- sets in metric vector spaces
  - $\overline{A}$  - closure of set  $A$
  - $A^\circ$  - interior of set  $A$
  - **relint**  $A$  - relative interior of set  $A$
  - **bd**  $A$  - boundary of set  $A$
- set algebra
  - $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$  -  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\mathcal{A}$ , *i.e.*, smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing  $\mathcal{A}$
- norms in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ 
  - $\|x\|_p$  ( $p \geq 1$ ) -  $p$ -norm of  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , *i.e.*,  $(|x_1|^p + \cdots + |x_n|^p)^{1/p}$
  - *e.g.*,  $\|x\|_2$  - Euclidean norm
- matrices and vectors
  - $a_i$  -  $i$ -th entry of vector  $a$
  - $A_{ij}$  - entry of matrix  $A$  at position  $(i, j)$ , *i.e.*, entry in  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column
  - $\text{Tr}(A)$  - trace of  $A \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$ , *i.e.*,  $A_{1,1} + \cdots + A_{n,n}$

- symmetric, positive definite, and positive semi-definite matrices
  - $\mathbf{S}^n \subset \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$  - set of symmetric matrices
  - $\mathbf{S}_+^n \subset \mathbf{S}^n$  - set of positive semi-definite matrices;  $A \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow A \in \mathbf{S}_+^n$
  - $\mathbf{S}_{++}^n \subset \mathbf{S}^n$  - set of positive definite matrices;  $A \succ 0 \Leftrightarrow A \in \mathbf{S}_{++}^n$
- sometimes, use Python script-like notations (with serious abuse of mathematical notations)
  - use  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  as if it were  $f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^n$ , *e.g.*,

$$\exp(x) = (\exp(x_1), \dots, \exp(x_n)) \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbf{R}^n$$

and

$$\log(x) = (\log(x_1), \dots, \log(x_n)) \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbf{R}_{++}^n$$

which corresponds to Python code `numpy.exp(x)` or `numpy.log(x)` where `x` is instance of `numpy.ndarray`, *i.e.*, numpy array

- use  $\sum x$  to mean  $\mathbf{1}^T x$  for  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , *i.e.*

$$\sum x = x_1 + \dots + x_n$$

which corresponds to Python code `x.sum()` where `x` is numpy array

- use  $x/y$  for  $x, y \in \mathbf{R}^n$  to mean

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1/y_1 & \cdots & x_n/y_n \end{bmatrix}^T$$

which corresponds to Python code `x / y` where `x` and `y` are 1-d numpy arrays

- use  $X/Y$  for  $X, Y \in \mathbf{R}^{m \times n}$  to mean

$$\begin{bmatrix} X_{1,1}/Y_{1,1} & X_{1,2}/Y_{1,2} & \cdots & X_{1,n}/Y_{1,n} \\ X_{2,1}/Y_{2,1} & X_{2,2}/Y_{2,2} & \cdots & X_{2,n}/Y_{2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_{m,1}/Y_{m,1} & X_{m,2}/Y_{m,2} & \cdots & X_{m,n}/Y_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

which corresponds to Python code `X / Y` where `X` and `Y` are 2-d numpy arrays

## Some definitions

**Definition 1. [infinitely often - i.o.]** *statement  $P_n$ , said to happen infinitely often or i.o. if*

$$(\forall N \in \mathbf{N}) (\exists n > N) (P_n)$$

**Definition 2. [almost everywhere - a.e.]** *statement  $P(x)$ , said to happen almost everywhere or a.e. or almost surely or a.s. (depending on context) associated with measure space  $(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$  if*

$$\mu\{x | P(x)\} = 1$$

*or equivalently*

$$\mu\{x | \sim P(x)\} = 0$$

## Some conventions

- (for some subjects) use following conventions

- $0 \cdot \infty = \infty \cdot 0 = 0$

- $(\forall x \in \mathbf{R}_{++})(x \cdot \infty = \infty \cdot x = \infty)$

- $\infty \cdot \infty = \infty$



# Algebra

# Inequalities

## Jensen's inequality

- strictly convex function: for any  $x \neq y$  and  $0 < \alpha < 1$  (Definition ??)

$$\alpha f(x) + (1 - \alpha)f(y) > f(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y)$$

- convex function: for any  $x, y$  and  $0 < \alpha < 1$  (Definition ??)

$$\alpha f(x) + (1 - \alpha)f(y) \geq f(\alpha x + (1 - \alpha)y)$$

**Inequality 1. [Jensen's inequality - for finite sequences]** *for convex function  $f$  and distinct  $x_i$  and  $0 < \alpha_i < 1$  with  $\alpha_1 + \cdots = \alpha_n = 1$*

$$\alpha_1 f(x_1) + \cdots + \alpha_n f(x_n) \geq f(\alpha_1 x_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n x_n)$$

- *if  $f$  is strictly convex, equality holds if and only if  $x_1 = \cdots = x_n$*

## Jensen's inequality - for random variables

- discrete random variable interpretation of Jensen's inequality in summation form - assume  $\mathbf{Prob}(X = x_i) = \alpha_i$ , then

$$\mathbf{E} f(X) = \alpha_1 f(x_1) + \cdots + \alpha_n f(x_n) \geq f(\alpha_1 x_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n x_n) = f(\mathbf{E} X)$$

- true for any random variables  $X$

**Inequality 2. [Jensen's inequality - for random variables]** for random vector  $X$   
(page ?? for definition)

$$\mathbf{E} f(X) \geq f(\mathbf{E} X)$$

if probability density function (PDF)  $p_X$  given,

$$\int f(x) p_X(x) dx \geq f\left(\int x p_X(x) dx\right)$$

**Proof for  $n = 3$** 

- for any  $x, y, z$  and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha f(x) + \beta f(y) + \gamma f(z) &= (\alpha + \beta) \left( \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} f(x) + \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} f(y) \right) + \gamma f(z) \\ &\geq (\alpha + \beta) f \left( \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} x + \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} y \right) + \gamma f(z) \\ &\geq f \left( (\alpha + \beta) \left( \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta} x + \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} y \right) + \gamma z \right) \\ &= f(\alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z)\end{aligned}$$

## Proof for all $n$

- use mathematical induction
  - assume that Jensen's inequality holds for  $1 \leq n \leq m$
  - for distinct  $x_i$  and  $\alpha_i > 0$  ( $1 \leq i \leq m+1$ ) with  $\alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_{m+1} = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \alpha_i f(x_i) &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j \right) \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \frac{\alpha_i}{\sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j} f(x_i) \right) + \alpha_{m+1} f(x_{m+1}) \\
 &\geq \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j \right) f \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \frac{\alpha_i}{\sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j} x_i \right) \right) + \alpha_{m+1} f(x_{m+1}) \\
 &= \left( \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j \right) f \left( \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j} \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i x_i \right) + \alpha_{m+1} f(x_{m+1}) \\
 &\geq f \left( \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i x_i + \alpha_{m+1} x_{m+1} \right) = f \left( \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \alpha_i x_i \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

## 1st and 2nd order conditions for convexity

- 1st order condition (assuming differentiable  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ) -  $f$  is strictly convex *if and only if* for any  $x \neq y$

$$f(y) > f(x) + f'(x)(y - x)$$

- 2nd order condition (assuming twice-differentiable  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ )
  - if  $f''(x) > 0$ ,  $f$  is strictly convex
  - $f$  is convex *if and only if* for any  $x$

$$f''(x) \geq 0$$

## Jensen's inequality examples

- $f(x) = x^2$  is strictly convex

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2} \geq \left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right)^2$$

- $f(x) = x^4$  is strictly convex

$$\frac{a^4 + b^4}{2} \geq \left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right)^4$$

- $f(x) = \exp(x)$  is strictly convex

$$\frac{\exp(a) + \exp(b)}{2} \geq \exp\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right)$$

- equality holds *if and only if*  $a = b$  for all inequalities



## 1st and 2nd order conditions for convexity - vector version

- 1st order condition (assuming differentiable  $f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ ) -  $f$  is strict convex *if and only if* for any  $x, y$

$$f(y) > f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T(y - x)$$

where  $\nabla f(x) \in \mathbf{R}^n$  with  $\nabla f(x)_i = \partial f(x)/\partial x_i$

- 2nd order condition (assuming twice-differentiable  $f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ )
  - if  $\nabla^2 f(x) \succ 0$ ,  $f$  is strictly convex
  - $f$  is convex *if and only if* for any  $x$

$$\nabla^2 f(x) \succeq 0$$

where  $\nabla^2 f(x) \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times n}$  is Hessian matrix of  $f$  evaluated at  $x$ , *i.e.*,  $\nabla^2 f(x)_{i,j} = \partial^2 f(x)/\partial x_i \partial x_j$

## Jensen's inequality examples - vector version

- assume  $f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$
- $f(x) = \|x\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum x_i^2}$  is strictly convex

$$(\|a\|_2 + 2\|b\|_2)/3 \geq \|(a + 2b)/3\|_2$$

– equality holds *if and only if*  $a = b \in \mathbf{R}^n$

- $f(x) = \|x\|_p = (\sum |x_i|^p)^{1/p}$  ( $p > 1$ ) is strictly convex

$$\frac{1}{k} \left( \sum_{i=1}^k \|x^{(i)}\|_p \right) \geq \left\| \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k x^{(i)} \right\|_p$$

– equality holds *if and only if*  $x^{(1)} = \dots = x^{(k)} \in \mathbf{R}^n$

## AM $\geq$ GM

- for all  $a, b > 0$

$$\frac{a+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}$$

– equality holds if and only if  $a = b$

- below most general form holds

**Inequality 3. [AM-GM inequality]** for any  $n$   $a_i > 0$  and  $\alpha_i > 0$  with  $\alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n = 1$

$$\alpha_1 a_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n a_n \geq a_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots a_n^{\alpha_n}$$

where equality holds if and only if  $a_1 = \cdots = a_n$

- let's prove these incrementally (for rational  $\alpha_i$ )

## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ - simplest case

- use fact that  $x^2 \geq 0$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{R}$

- for any  $a, b > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & a^2 - 2\sqrt{ab} + b^2 \geq 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow & a + b \geq 2\sqrt{ab} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \frac{a+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab} \end{aligned}$$

- equality holds if and only if  $a = b$

## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ - when $n = 4$ and $n = 8$

- for any  $a, b, c, d > 0$

$$\frac{a + b + c + d}{4} \geq \frac{2\sqrt{ab} + 2\sqrt{cd}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt{ab} + \sqrt{cd}}{2} \geq \sqrt{\sqrt{ab}\sqrt{cd}} = \sqrt[4]{abcd}$$

- equality holds if and only if  $a = b$  and  $c = d$  and  $ab = cd$  if and only if  $a = b = c = d$

- likewise, for  $a_1, \dots, a_8 > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_1 + \dots + a_8}{8} &\geq \frac{\sqrt{a_1 a_2} + \sqrt{a_3 a_4} + \sqrt{a_5 a_6} + \sqrt{a_7 a_8}}{4} \\ &\geq \sqrt[4]{\sqrt{a_1 a_2} \sqrt{a_3 a_4} \sqrt{a_5 a_6} \sqrt{a_7 a_8}} \\ &= \sqrt[8]{a_1 \dots a_8} \end{aligned}$$

- equality holds if and only if  $a_1 = \dots = a_8$

## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ - when $n = 2^m$

- generalized to cases  $n = 2^m$

$$\left( \sum_{a=1}^{2^m} a_i \right) / 2^m \geq \left( \prod_{a=1}^{2^m} a_i \right)^{1/2^m}$$

– equality holds if and only if  $a_1 = \cdots = a_{2^m}$

- can be proved by *mathematical induction*

## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ - when $n = 3$

- proof for  $n = 3$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a+b+c}{3} &= \frac{a+b+c+(a+b+c)/3}{4} \geq \sqrt[4]{abc(a+b+c)/3} \\ \Rightarrow \left(\frac{a+b+c}{3}\right)^4 &\geq abc(a+b+c)/3 \\ \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{a+b+c}{3}\right)^3 &\geq abc \\ \Leftrightarrow \frac{a+b+c}{3} &\geq \sqrt[3]{abc}\end{aligned}$$

– equality holds if and only if  $a = b = c = (a+b+c)/3$  if and only if  $a = b = c$

## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ - for all integers

- for any integer  $n \neq 2^m$
- for  $m$  such that  $2^m > n$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{a_1 + \cdots + a_n}{n} &= \frac{a_1 + \cdots + a_n + (2^m - n)(a_1 + \cdots + a_n)/n}{2^m} \\
 &\geq \sqrt[2^m]{a_1 \cdots a_n \cdot ((a_1 + \cdots + a_n)/n)^{2^m - n}} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{a_1 + \cdots + a_n}{n} \right)^{2^m} \geq a_1 \cdots a_n \cdot \left( \frac{a_1 + \cdots + a_n}{n} \right)^{2^m - n} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \left( \frac{a_1 + \cdots + a_n}{n} \right)^n \geq a_1 \cdots a_n \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \frac{a_1 + \cdots + a_n}{n} \geq \sqrt[n]{a_1 \cdots a_n}
 \end{aligned}$$

– equality holds if and only if  $a_1 = \cdots = a_n$



## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ - rational $\alpha_i$

- given  $n$  positive rational  $\alpha_i$ , we can find  $n$  natural numbers  $q_i$  such that

$$\alpha_i = \frac{q_i}{N}$$

where  $q_1 + \cdots + q_n = N$

- for any  $n$  positive  $a_i \in \mathbf{R}$  and positive  $n$   $\alpha_i \in \mathbf{Q}$  with  $\alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n = 1$

$$\alpha_1 a_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n a_n = \frac{q_1 a_1 + \cdots + q_n a_n}{N} \geq \sqrt[N]{a_1^{q_1} \cdots a_n^{q_n}} = a_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots a_n^{\alpha_n}$$

– equality holds if and only if  $a_1 = \cdots = a_n$

## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ - real $\alpha_i$

- exist  $n$  rational sequences  $\{\beta_{i,1}, \beta_{i,2}, \dots\}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ) such that

$$\beta_{1,j} + \dots + \beta_{n,j} = 1 \quad \forall j \geq 1$$

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \beta_{i,j} = \alpha_i \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$$

- for all  $j$

$$\beta_{1,j}a_1 + \dots + \beta_{n,j}a_n \geq a_1^{\beta_{1,j}} \dots a_n^{\beta_{n,j}}$$

hence

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} (\beta_{1,j}a_1 + \dots + \beta_{n,j}a_n) \geq \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} a_1^{\beta_{1,j}} \dots a_n^{\beta_{n,j}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \alpha_1a_1 + \dots + \alpha_na_n \geq a_1^{\alpha_1} \dots a_n^{\alpha_n}$$

- *cannot* prove equality condition from above proof method

## Proof of $AM \geq GM$ using Jensen's inequality

- $(-\log)$  is strictly convex function because

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} (-\log(x)) = \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\frac{1}{x} \right) = \frac{1}{x^2} > 0$$

- Jensen's inequality implies for  $a_i > 0$ ,  $\alpha_i > 0$  with  $\sum \alpha_i = 1$

$$-\log \left( \prod a_i^{\alpha_i} \right) = -\sum \log(a_i^{\alpha_i}) = \sum \alpha_i (-\log(a_i)) \geq -\log \left( \sum \alpha_i a_i \right)$$

- $(-\log)$  strictly monotonically decreases, hence  $\prod a_i^{\alpha_i} \leq \sum \alpha_i a_i$ , having just proved

$$\alpha_1 a_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n a_n \geq a_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots a_n^{\alpha_n}$$

where equality if and only if  $a_i$  are equal (by Jensen's inequality's equality condition)

## Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

**Inequality 4. [Cauchy-Schwarz inequality]** *for any  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbf{R}$*

$$(a_1^2 + \cdots + a_n^2)(b_1^2 + \cdots + b_n^2) \geq (a_1b_1 + \cdots + a_nb_n)^2$$

- middle school proof

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum (ta_i + b_i)^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall t \in \mathbf{R} \\ \Leftrightarrow & t^2 \sum a_i^2 + 2t \sum a_i b_i + \sum b_i^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall t \in \mathbf{R} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \Delta = \left( \sum a_i b_i \right)^2 - \sum a_i^2 \sum b_i^2 \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- equality holds if and only if  $\exists t \in \mathbf{R}, ta_i + b_i = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$

## Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - another proof

- $x \geq 0$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_i \sum_j (a_i b_j - a_j b_i)^2 \geq 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \sum_i \sum_j (a_i^2 b_j^2 - 2a_i a_j b_i b_j + a_j^2 b_i^2) \geq 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \sum_i \sum_j a_i^2 b_j^2 + \sum_i \sum_j a_j^2 b_i^2 - 2 \sum_i \sum_j a_i a_j b_i b_j \geq 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & 2 \sum_i a_i^2 \sum_j b_j^2 - 2 \sum_i a_i b_i \sum_j a_j b_j \geq 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \sum_i a_i^2 \sum_j b_j^2 - \left( \sum_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

- equality holds if and only if  $a_i b_j = a_j b_i$  for all  $1 \leq i, j \leq n$

## Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - still another proof

- for any  $x, y \in \mathbf{R}$  and  $\alpha, \beta > 0$  with  $\alpha + \beta = 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha x - \beta y)^2 &= \alpha^2 x^2 + \beta^2 y^2 - 2\alpha\beta xy \\
 &= \alpha(1 - \beta)x^2 + (1 - \alpha)\beta y^2 - 2\alpha\beta xy \geq 0 \\
 \Leftrightarrow \alpha x^2 + \beta y^2 &\geq \alpha\beta x^2 + \alpha\beta y^2 + 2\alpha\beta xy = \alpha\beta(x + y)^2 \\
 \Leftrightarrow x^2/\alpha + y^2/\beta &\geq (x + y)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

- plug in  $x = a_i, y = b_i, \alpha = A/(A + B), \beta = B/(A + B)$  where  $A = \sqrt{\sum a_i^2}, B = \sqrt{\sum b_i^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum (a_i^2/\alpha + b_i^2/\beta) &\geq \sum (a_i + b_i)^2 \Leftrightarrow (A + B)^2 \geq A^2 + B^2 + 2 \sum a_i b_i \\
 \Leftrightarrow AB &\geq \sum a_i b_i \Leftrightarrow A^2 B^2 \geq \left( \sum a_i b_i \right)^2 \Leftrightarrow \sum a_i^2 \sum b_i^2 \geq \left( \sum a_i b_i \right)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

## Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - proof using determinant

- almost the same proof as first one - but using 2-by-2 matrix determinant

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum (xa_i + yb_i)^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbf{R} \\
 \Leftrightarrow & x^2 \sum a_i^2 + 2xy \sum a_i b_i + y^2 \sum b_i^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbf{R} \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum a_i^2 & \sum a_i b_i \\ \sum a_i b_i & \sum b_i^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbf{R} \\
 \Leftrightarrow & \left| \begin{array}{cc} \sum a_i^2 & \sum a_i b_i \\ \sum a_i b_i & \sum b_i^2 \end{array} \right| \geq 0 \Leftrightarrow \sum a_i^2 \sum b_i^2 - \left( \sum a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

– equality holds *if and only if*

$$(\exists x, y \in \mathbf{R} \text{ with } xy \neq 0) (xa_i + yb_i = 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n)$$

- allows *beautiful generalization* of Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

## Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - generalization

- want to say something like  $\sum_{i=1}^n (xa_i + yb_i + zc_i + wd_i + \dots)^2$
- run out of alphabets . . . - use double subscripts

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_1 A_{1,i} + x_2 A_{2,i} + \dots + x_m A_{m,i})^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall x_i \in \mathbf{R}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n (x^T a_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x^T a_i a_i^T x = x^T \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i a_i^T \right) x \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbf{R}^m$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left| \begin{array}{cccc} \sum_{i=1}^n A_{1,i}^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n A_{1,i} A_{2,i} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^n A_{1,i} A_{m,i} \\ \sum_{i=1}^n A_{1,i} A_{2,i} & \sum_{i=1}^n A_{2,i}^2 & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^n A_{2,i} A_{m,i} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^n A_{1,i} A_{m,i} & \sum_{i=1}^n A_{2,i} A_{m,i} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^n A_{m,i}^2 \end{array} \right| \geq 0$$

where  $a_i = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,i} & \cdots & A_{m,i} \end{bmatrix}^T \in \mathbf{R}^m$

– equality holds *if and only if*  $\exists x \neq 0 \in \mathbf{R}^m$ ,  $x^T a_i = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$



## Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - three series of variables

- let  $m = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{bmatrix} \sum a_i^2 & \sum a_i b_i & \sum a_i c_i \\ \sum a_i b_i & \sum b_i^2 & \sum b_i c_i \\ \sum a_i c_i & \sum b_i c_i & \sum c_i^2 \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0 \\ \Rightarrow & \sum a_i^2 \sum b_i^2 \sum c_i^2 + 2 \sum a_i b_i \sum b_i c_i \sum c_i a_i \\ & \geq \sum a_i^2 \left( \sum b_i c_i \right)^2 + \sum b_i^2 \left( \sum a_i c_i \right)^2 + \sum c_i^2 \left( \sum a_i b_i \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

– equality holds if and only if  $\exists x, y, z \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $xa_i + yb_i + zc_i = 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$

- questions for you
  - what does this mean?
  - any real-world applications?

## Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - extensions

**Inequality 5. [Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - for complex numbers]** *for  $a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{C}$*

$$\sum |a_i|^2 \sum |b_i|^2 \geq \left| \sum a_i b_i \right|^2$$

**Inequality 6. [Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - for infinite sequences]** *for two complex infinite sequences  $\langle a_i \rangle_{i=1}^{\infty}$  and  $\langle b_i \rangle_{i=1}^{\infty}$*

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |a_i|^2 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |b_i|^2 \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i b_i \right|^2$$

**Inequality 7. [Cauchy-Schwarz inequality - for complex functions]** *for two complex functions  $f, g : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$*

$$\int |f|^2 \int |g|^2 \geq \left| \int f g \right|^2$$

- note that *all these can be further generalized as in page 31*

# **Number Theory - Queen of Mathematics**

# Integers

- integers (**Z**) -  $\dots - 2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$ 
  - first defined by Bertrand Russell
  - algebraic structure - commutative ring
    - addition, multiplication defined, but division *not* defined
    - addition, multiplication are associative
    - multiplication distributive over addition
    - addition, multiplication are commutative
- natural numbers (**N**)
  - $1, 2, \dots$

## Division and prime numbers

- divisors for  $n \in \mathbf{N}$

$$\{d \in \mathbf{N} \mid d \text{ divides } n\}$$

- prime numbers
  - $p$  is primes if 1 and  $p$  are only divisors

## Fundamental theorem of arithmetic

**Theorem 1. [fundamental theorem of arithmetic]** *integer  $n \geq 2$  can be factored uniquely into products of primes, i.e., exist distinct primes,  $p_1, \dots, p_k$ , and  $e_1, \dots, e_k \in \mathbf{N}$  such that*

$$n = p_1^{e_1} p_2^{e_2} \cdots p_k^{e_k}$$

- hence, integers are *factorial ring* (Definition ??)

## Elementary quantities

- greatest common divisor (gcd) (of  $a$  and  $b$ )

$$\gcd(a, b) = \max\{d \mid d \text{ divides both } a \text{ and } b\}$$

– for definition of gcd for general entire rings, refer to Definition ??

- least common multiple (lcm) (of  $a$  and  $b$ )

$$\text{lcm}(a, b) = \min\{m \mid \text{both } a \text{ and } b \text{ divides } m\}$$

- $a$  and  $b$  coprime, relatively prime, mutually prime  $\Leftrightarrow \gcd(a, b) = 1$

## Are there infinite number of prime numbers?

- yes!
- proof
  - assume there only exist finite number of prime numbers, *e.g.*,  $p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_n$
  - but then,  $p_1 \cdot p_2 \cdots p_n + 1$  is prime, but which is greater than  $p_n$ , hence contradiction



## Integers modulo $n$

**Definition 3. [modulo]** *when  $n$  divides  $a - b$ ,  $a$ , said to be equivalent to  $b$  modulo  $n$ , denoted by*

$$a \equiv b \pmod{n}$$

*read as “ $a$  congruent to  $b$  mod  $n$ ”*

- $a \equiv b \pmod{n}$  and  $c \equiv d \pmod{n}$  imply
  - $a + c \equiv b + d \pmod{n}$
  - $ac \equiv bd \pmod{n}$

**Definition 4. [congruence class]** *classes determined by modulo relation, called congruence or residue class under modulo*

**Definition 5. [integers modulo  $n$ ]** *set of equivalence classes under modulo, denoted by  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ , called integers modulo  $n$  or integers mod  $n$*

## Euler's theorem

**Definition 6. [Euler's totient function]** for  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ ,

$$\varphi(n) = (p_1 - 1)p_1^{e_1-1} \cdots (p_k - 1)p_k^{e_k-1} = n \prod_{\text{prime } p \text{ dividing } n} (1 - 1/p)$$

called Euler's totient function, also called Euler  $\varphi$ -function

- e.g.,  $\varphi(12) = \varphi(2^2 \cdot 3^1) = 1 \cdot 2^1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3^0 = 4$ ,  $\varphi(10) = \varphi(2^1 \cdot 5^1) = 1 \cdot 2^0 \cdot 4 \cdot 5^0 = 4$

**Theorem 2. [Euler's theorem - number theory]** for coprime  $n$  and  $a$

$$a^{\varphi(n)} \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$$

- e.g.,  $5^4 \equiv 1 \pmod{12}$  whereas  $4^4 \equiv 4 \not\equiv 1 \pmod{12}$
- Euler's theorem underlies RSA cryptosystem, which is pervasively used in internet communication

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