

A DETERMINANTAL INEQUALITY IN HILBERT SPACE

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Assume that H is a HILBERT space. Let $h_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ be any element in it. Following the conventional notation (h_i, h_j) ($j = 1, 2, \dots, n$) is defined as the inner or scalar product. The primary interest of this note is to prove the following ein-lit equality in HILBERT space H .

$$\begin{aligned}
 (1) \quad & \left\{ \prod_{i \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots i_u \leq n} \text{Det } (h_i, h_j) \right\}^{1/(u-1)} \\
 \leq & \left\{ \prod_{i \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots i_u \leq n} \text{Det } (h_i, h_j) \right\}^{\frac{u-2}{u-1} \cdot \frac{1}{(n-1)}} \cdot \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^n ||h_i||^2 \right\}^{(n-1)/(u-1) \cdot \frac{(u-1)}{(u-2)} \cdot \frac{(n-1)}{(u-1)}} \\
 \leq & \dots \leq \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots i_{u-2} \leq n} \text{Det } (h_i, h_j) \right\}^{(n-u+2)/(u-1) \cdot \frac{(u-1)}{1} \cdot \frac{(n-1)}{(u-1)}} \\
 & \cdot \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots i_u \leq n} \text{Det } (h_i, h_j) \right\}^{1/2 \cdot u/u-1 \cdot 1/(u-1)} \\
 \leq & \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots i_{u-1} < n} \text{Det } (h_i, h_j) \right\}^{1/(u-1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

where i_u represents u different numbers among $1, 2, \dots, n$. Actually (1), is a generalization of the following inequality :

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \quad & \prod_{i=1}^n ||h_i||^2 \geq \dots \geq \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots i_{u-1} \leq n} \text{Det } (h_i, h_j) \right\}^{\frac{1}{(u-1)}} \\
 & \geq \left\{ \prod_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots i_{u-1} \leq n} \text{Det } (h_i, h_j) \right\}^{1/(u-1)} \\
 & \geq \text{Det}_{i,j=1}^n (h_i, h_j).
 \end{aligned}$$

But (2) is essentially alternative form of SZASZ's inequality, in terms of elements in HILBERT space!

For simplicity, let us list notations used throughout this paper as follows:

$$D_u: \text{Det}_{k,p}^n f_{i_k i_p} = \text{Det} (h_{i_k}, h_{i_p}).$$

$$D_u^1 = \begin{vmatrix} D_{i,i}, & \dots, & D_{i,iu} \\ \dots & & \dots \\ D_{ui}, & \dots, & D_{uiiu} \end{vmatrix}.$$

where $D_{i_k i_p}$ is the cofactor of $f_{i_k i_p}$.

D'_u : any r -roweorminor of D_u .

D'_* : r rowed minor of D_1 which is one to one corresponding to D'_u .

D^* : the cofactor of D''_u .

A_r : the product of all principal r -rowed minors of D_u^1 .

B_r^* : the product of all principal r -rowed minors of D_u .

B_u : the product of all principale u -rowed minor of $\text{Det } f_{ij}$.

Now we quote two known results for proving our inequality. First is SZASZ's ineauality:

$$(3) \quad B_1 > B_2^1 / \binom{n-1}{1} > B_3^1 / \binom{n-1}{2} > \dots > B_{n-1}^1 / \binom{n-1}{n-2} < B_n.$$

The other is

$$(4) \quad D'_* = (D_u)^{r-1} D^*.$$

Based on (4), we readily get a recurrence relation as follows.

$$A_r = (D_u)^{(r-1)} \binom{u}{2} B_{n-r}^*.$$

By the (3),

$$A_1 > A_2^1 / \binom{u-1}{1} > A_3^1 / \binom{u-1}{2} > \dots > A_{u-1}^1 / \binom{u-1}{u-2} < D_u^1.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} (B_{u-1}^*) &> (D_u)^{u-\frac{u}{2}} (B_{u-1}^*)^{1/\binom{u-1}{1}} > (D_u)^{\frac{2}{3}u} (B_{u-3}^*)^{1/\binom{u-1}{2}} \\ &> \dots > (D_u)^{u-z/u-1.u} (B_1^*)^{1/\binom{u-1}{u-2}} > (D_u)^{u-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (5) \quad (B_{u-1}^*)^{1/u-1} &> (D)^{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1}} (B_{u-2}^*)^{1/u-1} \binom{u-1}{1} > (D_u)^{\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1}} (B_{u-3}^*)^{1/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{2} \\ &\dots > (D_u)^{\frac{u-2}{u-1} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1}} (B_1^*)^{1/u-1} \binom{u-1}{u-2} < D_u. \end{aligned}$$

Let $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_u$ exhaustively run through the different value of 1, 2, 3, ..., n . Hence, we are to product the corresponding different inequalities (5' with each other. Since the matrix (f_{ij}) is a positive definite non-diagonal HERMITIAN matrix, all principle minors should be positive. The occurrence of every factor of B_{u-1}^* is $\binom{u-u+1}{1}$, the occurrence of every factor of B_{u-2}^* is $\binom{n-u+2}{2}$, and so on.

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} (B_{u-1})^{\binom{n-u+1}{1}/(u-1)} &> (B_u)^{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1}} (B_{u-2})^{\binom{n-u+2}{2}/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{1} \\ &> (B_u)^{\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1}} (B_{u-3})^{\binom{n-u+3}{3}/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{2} > \dots \\ &> (B_u)^{\frac{u-2}{u-1} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1}} (B_1)^{\binom{n-1}{u-1}/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{u-2} > (B_u). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} (B_{u-1})^{\binom{n-u+1}{1}/(u-1)} \binom{n-1}{u-1} &> (B_u)^{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1} \cdot \frac{1}{\binom{n-1}{u-1}}} (B_{u-2})^{\binom{n-u+2}{2}/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{1} \binom{n-1}{u-1} \\ &> (B_u)^{\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1} \cdot \frac{1}{\binom{n-1}{u-1}}} (B_{u-3})^{\binom{n-u+3}{3}/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{2} \binom{n-1}{u-1} > \dots \\ &> (B_u)^{\frac{u-2}{u-1} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1} \cdot \frac{1}{\binom{n-1}{u-1}}} (B_1)^{1/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{u-2} > (B_u)^{1/\binom{n-1}{u-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned} (B_{u-1})^{1/\binom{n-1}{u-2}} &> (B)^{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{u}{u-1} \cdot \frac{1}{\binom{n-1}{u-1}}} (B_{u-2})^{\binom{n-u+2}{2}/(u-1)} \binom{u-1}{1} \binom{n-1}{u-1} \\ &> \dots > (B_u)^{1/\binom{n-1}{u-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

If the above inequality is interpolated into between $(B_{u-1})^{1/(u-2)}$ and $(B_u)^{1/(u-1)}$, and u is put to be 1, 2, ..., n , then our inequality follows.

Finally, we claim that the elements $(b_{i1}, b_{i2}, \dots)$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) in which $f_i = (h_i, h_j) = \frac{n}{2} b_{is} b_{js}$ $s = 1$ ($i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$) is orthogonal, if only if our inequality and (2) become equality. The proof of our proposition is omitted here, and remained to readers.

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