ON SOME INEQUALITIES.

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The SCHWARZ inequaltity

$$\int_a^b f^2 dx. \int_a^b \varphi^2 dx \ge \left(\int_a^b f \varphi dx\right)^2,$$

and the TCHEBYCHEFF inequaltity

$$(b-a)\int_a^b f\varphi \, dx \ge \int_a^b f \, dx. \int_b^b \varphi \, dx$$

are useful. Professor M. FUJIWARA has given a more general integral inequality of the form

$$\int_a^b f_{\mathfrak{l}} \varphi_{\mathfrak{l}} dx \int_a^b f_{\mathfrak{l}} \varphi_{\mathfrak{l}} dx \geq \int_a^b f_{\mathfrak{l}} \varphi_{\mathfrak{l}} dx. \int_a^b f_{\mathfrak{l}} \varphi_{\mathfrak{l}} dx,$$

existing under certain conditions, and comprising the former two as its particular cases, f, f_1, f_2 and $\varphi, \varphi_1, \varphi_2$ being some functions of x.

Since the SCHWARZ inequality can be easily proved by applying the CAUCHY inequalty

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^n a_{\nu}^2 \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^n b_{\nu}^2 \geq \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^n a_{\nu} b_{\nu}\right)^2,$$

it seems be desirable to establish an algebraical inequality from which FUJIWARA's can be derived ¹). The algebraical inequality has an intimate relation with Professor J. L. W. V. JENSEN'S.

¹) M. FUJIWARA. Ein von BRUNN vermuteter Satz über konvexe Flächen und eine Verallgemeinerung der Schwarzschen und der Tchebycheffschen Ungleichungen für bestimmte Integrale [Tohoku Mathematical Journal, Sendai, vol. 13 (1918), pp. 228-235] and Über eine Ungleichung für bestimmte Integrale [Ibidem, vol. 15 (1919), pp. 285-288].

I. Let us compare the magnitudes of

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu}$$
$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=$$

If n = 1, these two are evidently equal. If n = 2,

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{2} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} \sum_{\nu=1}^{2} S_{\nu} - \sum_{\nu=1}^{2} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \sum_{\nu=1}^{2} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} = S_{\nu} S_{\nu} (r_{\nu_{1}} - r_{\nu_{1}}) (r_{\nu_{2}} - r_{\nu_{1}})$$

$$> 0 \quad \text{or} \quad < 0,$$

according as r_{v_1} and r_{v_2} both increase or both decrease with v, or one of them increases and the other decreases with v, provided that S_1 and S_2 have the same sign.

Now assume that

and

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} \ge \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} ,$$

when r_{v_1} and r_{v_2} both increase or decrease with v, provided that all S's have the same sign. Then

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} - \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} = \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} + S_{n} r_{n_{1}} r_{n_{2}}\right) \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} + S_{n}\right) \\ - \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} + S_{n} r_{n_{1}}\right) \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} + S_{n} r_{n_{2}}\right) = \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} - \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} + S_{n} r_{\nu_{2}}\right) \\ + S_{n} \left\{\sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} \cdot r_{n_{1}} r_{n_{2}} + \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} - \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot r_{n_{1}} - \sum_{\nu=1}^{n-1} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \cdot r_{n_{2}}\right\},$$

But if we rearrange the terms within the braces, we can show that it is equal to

$$S_{1}(r_{n1} - r_{11})(r_{n2} - r_{12})$$

$$+ S_{2}(r_{n1} - r_{21})(r_{n2} - r_{22})$$

$$+ S_{3}(r_{n1} - r_{31})(r_{n2} - r_{32})$$

$$+ S_{n-1}(r_{n1} - r_{n-1,1})(r_{n2} - r_{n-1,2}),$$

which is positive or negative according as all S's are positive or negative. Hence un-Rend. Circ. Matem. Palermo, t. XLIV (1920). - Stampato il 18 gennaio 1921. 43 der the assumption, we have

 $\sum_{\mathbf{y}=1}^{n} S_{\mathbf{y}} r_{\mathbf{y}_{1}} r_{\mathbf{y}_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\mathbf{y}=1}^{n} S_{\mathbf{y}} \geq \sum_{\mathbf{y}=1}^{n} S_{\mathbf{y}} r_{\mathbf{y}_{1}} \cdot \sum_{\mathbf{y}=1}^{n} S_{\mathbf{y}} r_{\mathbf{y}_{2}},$

when r_{v_1} and r_{v_2} both increase or both decrease with v, provided that all S's have the same sign.

When one of r_{ν_1} and r_{ν_2} increases and the other decreases with ν , the sign of inequality becomes < instead of >.

2. Let us again consider the case where r_{v_1} , r_{v_2} and r_{v_3} all increase or all decrease with v, all S's having the same sign. Then by applying twice the theorem we can extend it to the following one:

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} r_{\nu_{3}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu}\right)^{2} \ge \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{3}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} \ge \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{3}} \cdot \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu$$

More generally we get the inequality

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} r_{\nu_{2}} \dots r_{\nu_{p}} \cdot \left(\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} \right)^{p-1} \geq \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{1}} \dots \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{p}} \dots \sum_{\nu=1}^{n} S_{\nu} r_{\nu_{p}},$$

when the p sequences $r_{v_1}, r_{v_2}, \ldots, r_{v_p}$ all increase or all decrease with v, provided that all S's have the same sign.

This inequality may be regarded in a certain sense as a generalized one of that which has been proved by Professor J. L. W. V. JENSEN in his paper, Sur les fonctions convexes et les inégalités entre les valeurs moyennes [Acta Mathematica, vol. 30 (1906), p. 181], i. e. of the inequality

$$\sum_{\mathbf{v}=1}^{n} a_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{v}}^{p} \cdot \left(\sum_{\mathbf{v}=1}^{n} a_{\mathbf{v}}\right)^{p-1} \geq \left(\sum_{\mathbf{v}=1}^{n} a_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{x}_{\mathbf{v}}\right)^{p},$$

though all x's are positive and p is > 1 or < 0, and not necessarily a positive integer, in Professor JENSEN's case.

3. As Professor JENSEN has shown loc. cit. p. 187, the SCHWARZ inequality and some more general ones can be derived from the algebraical inequality above quoted. Just in the same way, we can derive the FUJIWARA inequality from our algebraical inequality proved in section 1. Thus if we put

$$S_{v} = b_{v_{1}} b_{v_{2}},$$

$$a_{v_{1}} = b_{v_{1}} r_{v_{1}},$$

$$a_{v_{2}} = b_{v_{2}} r_{v_{2}},$$

then

 $\sum_{\nu=1}^{n} a_{\nu_{1}} a_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum b_{\nu_{1}} b_{\nu_{2}} \ge \sum a_{\nu_{1}} b_{\nu_{2}} \cdot \sum b_{\nu_{1}} a_{\nu_{2}},$

when $\frac{a_{v_1}}{b_{v_1}}$ and $\frac{a_{v_2}}{b_{v_2}}$ both increase or both decrease with v, provided that $b_{v_1}b_{v_2} > 0$.

Again if we put $a_{v_1}\delta_v$ and $b_{v_1}\delta_v$ for a_{v_1} and b_{v_1} respectively and then put $f_1(x)$, $\varphi_1(x)$, $f_2(x)$, $\varphi_2(x)$ and dx for a_{v_1} , a_{v_2} , b_{v_1} , b_{v_2} and δ_v and increase v indefinitely, all the summations become the integrals by definition, and the FUJIWARA inequality comes forth.

Of course the case where the sign of inequality is reversed takes place when one of $\frac{a_{\nu_1}}{b_{\nu_1}}$ and $\frac{a_{\nu_2}}{b_{\nu_1}}$ increases and the other decreases with ν .

Similarly using the inequality in section 2, we get the inequalities

$$\sum a_{v_1} a_{v_2} \cdots a_{v_p} \cdot \left(\sum b_{v_1} b_{v_2} \cdots b_{v_p}\right)^{p-1}$$

$$\geq \sum a_{v_1} b_{v_2} \cdots b_{v_p} \sum b_{v_1} a_{v_2} \cdots b_{v_p} \cdots \sum b_{v_1} b_{v_2} \cdots a_{v_p},$$

$$\int f_1 f_2 \cdots f_p dx \cdot \left(\int \varphi_1 \varphi_2 \cdots \varphi_2 dx\right)^{p-1}$$

$$\geq \int f_1 \varphi_2 \cdots \varphi_p dx \cdot \int \varphi_1 f_2 \cdots \varphi_p dx \cdots \int \varphi_1 \varphi_2 \cdots f_p dx,$$

under certain conditions.

If we particularize the last inequality by putting

$$f_1 = f_2 = \cdots = f_p = f,$$

and

$$\varphi_1 = \varphi_2 = \cdots = \varphi_p = \varphi^{\frac{1}{p-1}},$$

we get

$$\int f^{p} dx. \left(\int \varphi^{\frac{p}{p-1}} dx\right)^{p-1} \geq \left(\int f \varphi dx\right)^{p},$$

which is the form obtained by Prof. O. Hölder in Göttinger Nachrichten, 1889, pp. $_{38-47}$, while p is a positive integer in our case.

If we put

$$f_{1} = f_{2} = \cdots = f_{p} = \{\varphi(x)\}^{\frac{1}{p}} f(x),$$
$$\varphi_{1} = \varphi_{2} = \cdots = \varphi_{p} = \{\varphi(x)\}^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

and

we get

 $\int \varphi f^p dx. \left(\int \varphi dx\right)^{p-1} \geq \left(\int \varphi f dx\right)^p,$

which is the form mentioned by Mr. JENSEN, loc. cit., p. 187.

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