

ON CAUCHY-BUNIAKOWSKI-SCHWARZ'S INEQUALITY  
FOR REAL NUMBERS

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**Abstract.** A new refinement of the well known Cauchy-Buniakowski-Schwarz's inequality for real numbers is given.

The following inequality is known in literature as Cauchy-Buniakowski-Schwarz's inequality:

$$\sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in I} p_i b_i^2 \geq \left( \sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \quad (1)$$

where  $(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,  $(b_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  are sequences of real numbers,  $(p_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  are positive real numbers and  $I$  is a finite part of  $\mathbb{N}$ . Note that the equality holds in (1) iff  $a_i = r \cdot b_i$  for all  $i \in I$ , where  $r$  is an arbitrary real number.

In paper [8] was proved the following refinement of (1):

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in I} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq \\ & \geq \left| \sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i |a_i| \sum_{i \in I} p_i b_i |b_i| - \sum_{i \in I} p_i |a_i| b_i \sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i |b_i| \right| \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

A property of monotonicity for the inequality (1) is embodied in the following (see [13]):

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in I} p_i b_i^2 \right]^{1/2} - \left| \sum_{i \in I} p_i a_i b_i \right| \geq \\ & \geq \left[ \sum_{i \in I} q_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in I} q_i b_i^2 \right]^{1/2} - \left| \sum_{i \in I} q_i a_i b_i \right| \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $p_i \geq q_i \geq 0$  ( $i \in \mathbb{N}$ ) and  $(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,  $(b_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $I$  are as above.

Note that the above inequality was proved in [13] for  $I = \{1, \dots, n\}$ , but a similar argument for  $I$  a finite part of  $\mathbb{N}$  also holds. We will omit the details.

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The main aim of this paper is to give other improvements for (1).

**Theorem.** Let  $(a_i)_{i \in N}$ ,  $(b_i)_{i \in N}$  and  $(p_i)_{i \in N}$  be sequences of real numbers so that  $a_i \neq a_j$ ,  $b_i \neq b_j$  for  $i \neq j$  ( $i, j \in N$ ) and  $p_i > 0$  for all  $i \in N$ . Then for all  $H$  a finite part of  $N$  are has the inequality:

$$\sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right) \geq \max\{A, B\} \geq 0$$

where

$$A = \max_{\substack{J \subset H \\ J \neq \emptyset}} \frac{\left[ \sum_{i \in H} \sum_{j \in J} p_i p_j a_i (b_i a_j - a_i b_j) \right]^2}{P_J \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i \right)^2}$$

and

$$B = \max_{\substack{J \subset H \\ J \neq \emptyset}} \frac{\left[ \sum_{i \in H} \sum_{j \in J} p_i p_j b_i (b_i a_j - a_i b_j) \right]^2}{P_J \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in J} p_i b_i \right)^2}$$

and  $P_J = \sum_{j \in J} p_j$ .

**Proof.** Let  $J$  be a part of  $H$ . Define the mapping  $f_J: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by

$$f_J(t) := \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \left[ \sum_{i \in H \setminus J} p_i b_i^2 + \sum_{i \in J} p_i (b_i + t)^2 \right] - \\ - \left[ \sum_{i \in H \setminus J} p_i a_i b_i + \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i (b_i + t) \right]^2.$$

By Cauchy-Buniakowski-Schwarz's inequality is obvious that:

$$f_J(t) \geq 0 \text{ for all } t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

On the other hand we have:

$$f_J(t) = \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 + 2t \sum_{i \in J} p_i b_i + t^2 P_J \right] - \\ - \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i + t \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i \right]^2 = t^2 \left[ P_J \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i \right)^2 \right] +$$

$$+ 2t \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in J} p_i b_i - \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i \right] +$$

$$+ \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \right]$$

for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since

$$P_J \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i \right)^2 \geq P_J \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i \right)^2 > 0$$

because  $a_i \neq a_j$  for all  $i, j$  with  $i \neq j$ , thus by the inequality  $f_J(t) \geq 0$  for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  we get:

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{4} \Delta = \left[ \sum_{i \in H} \sum_{j \in H} p_i p_j a_i (a_i b_j - a_j b_i) \right]^2 -$$

$$- \left[ P_J \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in J} p_i a_i \right)^2 \right] \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \right]$$

from where results the inequality:

$$\sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq \Delta.$$

The second part goes likewise for the mapping  $g_J: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by

$$g_J(t) = \left[ \sum_{i \in H \setminus J} p_i a_i^2 + \sum_{i \in J} p_i (a_i + t)^2 \right] \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 -$$

$$- \left[ \sum_{i \in H \setminus J} p_i a_i b_i + \sum_{i \in J} p_i b_i (a_i + t) \right]^2$$

and we will omit the details.

The following corollaries also holds.

Corollary 1. In the above assumptions we have:

$$\sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq \quad (2)$$

$$\geq \max \left( \frac{\left[ \sum_{i, j \in H} p_i p_j a_i (b_i a_j - b_j a_i) \right]^2}{P_H \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i \right)^2}, \frac{\left[ \sum_{i, j \in H} p_i p_j b_i (b_i a_j - b_j a_i) \right]^2}{P_H \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i \right)^2} \right) \geq ($$

The proof is obvious by the above theorem choosing  $J=H$ .

Corollary 2. In the above assumptions we have:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq \quad (3) \\ & \geq \frac{1}{\text{card}(H)-1} \max \left( \frac{\sum_{j \in H} p_j \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i (b_i a_j - a_j b_i) \right)^2}{\sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2}, \frac{\sum_{j \in H} p_j \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i (b_i a_j - b_j a_i) \right)^2}{\sum_{i \in H} p_i b_i^2} \right) \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Choosing in the above theorem  $J = \{j\}$  we get the inequality

$$\sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq \frac{[p_j \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i (b_i a_j - a_i b_j)]^2}{p_j \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - p_j^2 a_j^2}$$

from where we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - p_j^2 a_j^2 \right) \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \right] \geq \\ & \geq p_j \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i (b_i a_j - a_i b_j) \right]^2 \quad \text{for all } j \in H. \end{aligned}$$

Now, summing these inequalities over  $j \in H$  we get:

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{card}(H)-1) \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i b_i \right)^2 \right] \geq \\ & \geq \sum_{j \in H} p_j \left[ \sum_{i \in H} p_i a_i (b_i a_j - a_i b_j) \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

from where we get the first part of (3).

The second part goes likewise and we omit the details.

Remark. Suppose that  $(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ ,  $(b_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  be are real numbers with  $a_i \neq a_j$ ,  $b_i \neq b_j$  for  $i \neq j$  ( $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ ). Then for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , one has the inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq \\ & \geq \max \left( \frac{\left[ \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_i (a_i b_j - a_j b_i) \right]^2}{n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^2}, \frac{\left[ \sum_{i,j=1}^n b_i (a_i b_j - a_j b_i) \right]^2}{n \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right)^2} \right) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right)^2 \geq \\ & \geq \frac{1}{n-1} \max \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^n a_i (b_i a_j - a_j b_i) \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}, \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \left( \sum_{j=1}^n b_i (b_i a_j - a_j b_i) \right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2} \right\} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

For other refinements or connected results with the classical inequality of Cauchy-Buniakowski-Schwarz we send to [1-14] where further references are given.

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НЕРАВЕНСТВО ЗА РЕАЛНИ БРОЕВИ НА КОШИ-БУЊАКОВСКИ-ШВАРЦ

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