

# A GENERALIZED LAGRANGE IDENTITY AND CAUCHY-BUNIAKOVSKY INEQUALITY

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**Abstract.** The purpose of this Note is to give an extension to the *Lagrange* identity [1] and [2], and then an extension to the *Cauchy-Bouniakovsky* inequality, since the right hand side is positive. Finally, we give an application to polynomials.

## 1. Principal result

Let  $a_1, \dots, a_s ; b_1, \dots, b_s \in \mathbb{R}$ ; and

$$M_{2m} = \sum_{k=0}^m (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} \left( \sum a^{m+1-k} b^k \right) \left( \sum a^k b^{m+1-k} \right)$$

where  $\sum a^k b^{m+1-k}$  means  $\sum_{i=1}^{i=s} a_i^k b_i^{m+1-k}$

**Theorem.** generalized Lagrange identity

$$M_{2m} = \begin{cases} \sum_{i < j} (a_i b_j - a_j b_i)^{2r} & \text{for } m = 2r - 1 \\ \sum_{i < j} (a_i b_j - a_j b_i)^{2r} (a_i b_j + a_j b_i) & \text{for } m = 2r \end{cases}$$

**Corollary.** Generalized Cauchy-Buniakovsky inequality

$$M_{2;2r-1} \geq 0 \quad \forall a_i ; b_j \in \mathfrak{R} \quad (\text{for } m = 2r - 1)$$

**Remark.** For  $m = 2r$ , we deduce the sign of  $M_{2;m}$

If  $a_i b_j \geq i \& j$  then  $M_{2;m} \geq 0$ :

If  $a_i b_j \leq i \& j$  then  $M_{2;m} \leq 0$ :

Pour  $m = 1;2;3;4;\dots$  on a:

$$M_{2;1} = \left( \sum a_i^2 \right) \left( \sum b_i^2 \right) - \left( \sum a_i b_i \right)^2 \rightarrow \text{Lagrange Identity :}$$

$$M_{2;2} = \left( \sum a_i^3 \right) \left( \sum b_i^3 \right) - \left( \sum a_i^2 b_i \right) \left( \sum a_i b_i^2 \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{2;3} &= \left(\sum a_i^4\right)\left(\sum b_i^4\right) + 3\left(\sum a_i^2 b_i^2\right)^2 - 4\left(\sum a_i^3 b_i\right)\left(\sum a_i b_i^3\right) \\
M_{2;4} &= \left(\sum a_i^5\right)\left(\sum b_i^5\right) + 2\left(\sum a_i^3 b_i^2\right)\left(\sum a_i^2 b_i^3\right) - 3\left(\sum a_i^4 b_i\right)\left(\sum a_i b_i^4\right) \\
&\vdots
\end{aligned}$$

## 2. Proof of the theorem

We have

$$M_{2;m} = \sum a^{m+1} \sum b^{m+1} - \binom{m}{1} \sum a^m b \sum ab^m + \dots + (-1)^m \binom{m}{m} \sum ab^m \sum a^m b$$

1) if  $m = 2r - 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{2;2-r} &= \sum a^{2r} \sum b^{2r} + \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} (-1)^k \binom{2r-1}{k} \left(\sum a^{2r-k} b^k\right) \left(\sum a^k b^{2r-k}\right) + \\
&+ (-1)^r \binom{2r-1}{r} \left(\sum a^r b^r\right)^2 + \sum_{k=r+1}^{2r-1} (-1)^k \binom{2r-1}{k} \left(\sum a^{2r-k} b^k\right) \left(\sum a^k b^{2r-k}\right) \\
&= \sum a^{2r} \sum b^{2r} + \sum_{k=1}^{r-1} (-1)^k \binom{2r-1}{k} \left(\sum a^{2r-k} b^k\right) \left(\sum a^k b^{2r-k}\right) + \\
&+ (-1)^r \binom{2r-1}{r} \left(\sum a^r b^r\right)^2 + \sum_{l=1}^{r-1} (-1)^l \binom{2r-1}{2r-l} \left(\sum a^{2r-l} b^l\right) \left(\sum a^l b^{2r-l}\right) \\
&= \sum a^{2r} \sum b^{2r} + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{r-1} (-1)^k \left\{ \binom{2r-1}{k} + \binom{2r-1}{2r-k} \right\} \left(\sum a^{2r-k} b^k\right) \left(\sum a^k b^{2r-k}\right)\right) + \\
&+ (-1)^r \binom{2r-1}{r} \left(\sum a^r b^r\right)^2 \\
&= \sum a^{2r} \sum b^{2r} + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{r-1} (-1)^k \binom{2r}{k} \left(\sum a^{2r-k} b^k\right) \left(\sum a^k b^{2r-k}\right)\right) + \frac{1}{2} (-1)^r \binom{2r}{r} \left(\sum a^r b^r\right)^2 \\
&= \sum_{i;j} \left\{ \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} (-1)^k \binom{2r}{k} (a_i b_j)^{2r-k} (a_j b_i)^k \right] + \frac{1}{2} (-1)^r \binom{2r}{r} (a_i b_j)^r (a_j b_i)^r \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

the permutation of i & j gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{i < j} \left\{ \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \binom{2r}{k} (a_i b_j)^{2r-k} (-a_j b_i)^k + \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \binom{2r}{k} (a_j b_i)^{2r-k} (-a_i b_j)^k \right] + \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left[ \frac{1}{2} \binom{2r}{k} (a_i b_j)^r (-a_j b_i)^r + \binom{2r}{k} (a_i b_j)^r (-a_j b_i)^r \right] \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i < j} \left\{ \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \binom{2r}{k} (a_i b_j)^{2r-k} (-a_j b_i)^k + \frac{1}{2} \binom{2r}{r} (a_i b_j)^r (-a_j b_i)^r \right] + \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{l=r+1}^{2r} \binom{2r}{l} (a_i b_j)^l (-a_i b_j)^{2r-l} \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i < j} (a_i b_j - a_j b_i)^{2r}
\end{aligned}$$

2) if  $m = 2r$

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{2;2r} &= \sum a^{2r+1} \sum b^{2r+1} + \sum_{k=1}^r (-1)^k \binom{2r}{k} \left( \sum a^{2r-k+1} b^k \right) \left( \sum a^k b^{2r-k+1} \right) + \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=r+1}^{2r} (-1)^k \binom{2r-1}{k} \left( \sum a^{2r-k+1} b^k \right) \left( \sum a^k b^{2r-k+1} \right) \\
&= \sum a^{2r+1} \sum b^{2r+1} + \sum_{k=1}^r (-1)^k \binom{2r}{k} \left( \sum a^{2r-k+1} b^k \right) \left( \sum a^k b^{2r-k+1} \right) + \\
&\quad + \sum_{k=r+1}^r (-1)^{l+1} \binom{2r}{2r-l+1} \left( \sum a^{2r-l+1} b^l \right) \left( \sum a^l b^{2r-l+1} \right) \\
&= \sum a^{2r+1} \sum b^{2r+1} + \sum_{k=1}^r (-1)^k \left( \binom{2r}{k} - \binom{2r}{2r-l+1} \right) \left( \sum a^{2r-k+1} b^k \right) \left( \sum a^k b^{2r-k+1} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

We remark that  $\binom{2r}{k} - \binom{2r}{2r-l+1} = \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k}$ ; witch gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{2;2r} &= \sum_{k=0}^r (-1)^k \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} \left( \sum a^{2r-k+1} b^k \right) \left( \sum a^k b^{2r-k+1} \right) \\
&= \sum_{i;j} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^r (-1)^k \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} (a_i b_j)^{2r-k+1} (a_j b_i)^k \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

The transposition of  $i$  &  $j$ ; gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{2;2r} &= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^r \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} (a_i b_j)^{2r-k+1} (-a_j b_i)^k + \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{k=0}^r \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} (a_j b_i)^{2r-k+1} (-a_i b_j)^k \right\} \\
M_{2;2r} &= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^r \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} (a_i b_j)^{2r-k+1} (-a_j b_i)^k + \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{l=r+1}^{2r} \left( -\frac{2(r-l)+1}{2r+1} \right) \binom{2r+1}{l} (a_j b_i)^l (-a_i b_j)^{2r-l+1} \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{2r+1} \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} (a_i b_j)^{2r-k+1} (-a_j b_i)^k \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

let  $p = a_j b_i$  &  $q = -a_i b_j$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{2;2r} &= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{2r+1} \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} p^{2r-k+1} q^k \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{2r+1} \frac{2(r-k)+1}{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} p^{2r-k+1} q^k - \frac{2}{r+1} \sum_{k=1}^{2r+1} k \binom{2r+1}{k} p^{2r-k+1} q^k \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{2r+1} \binom{2r+1}{k} p^{2r-k+1} q^k - \frac{2(2r+1)}{r+1} \sum_{k=1}^{2r+1} k \binom{2r}{k-1} p^{2r-k+1} q^k \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ (p+q)^{2r+1} - 2 \sum_{l=1}^{2r} k \binom{2r}{l} p^{2r-l} q^{l+1} \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ (p+q)^{2r+1} - 2q(p+q)^{2r} \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i<j} \left\{ (a_j b_i - a_i b_j)^{2r} (a_j b_i + a_i b_j) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

### 3. Application to polynomials.

Let  $P(x) = \prod_{i=1}^n (x - \mu_i)$  and  $T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n |\mu_i|^n$  ( $|\mu_i|$  is the module of  $\mu_i$ ) : For  $x_i = |\mu_i|^p$  &  $y_i = |\mu_i|^q$  we have

$$\sum_{k=0}^m (-1)^k \binom{m}{k} T_{kp+(m+1-k)q} T_{kq+(m+1-k)p} \geq 0$$

This inequality is true for all  $p$  and  $q$  such that  $kp+(m+1-k)q$  &  $kq+(m+1-k)p$  are integers.

We have the following relations for  $m = 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; \dots$

$$m = 1 \rightarrow T_{2p}T_{2q} - T_{p+q}^2 \geq 0$$

$$m = 2 \rightarrow T_{3p}T_{3q} - 2T_{2p+q}T_{p+2q} \geq 0$$

$$m = 3 \rightarrow T_{4p}T_{4q} - 4T_{3p+q}T_{p+3q} + 2T_{2p+2q}^2 \geq 0$$

$$m = 4 \rightarrow T_{5p}T_{5q} + 2T_{3p+2q}T_{2p+3q} - 3T_{4p+q}T_{p+4q} \geq 0$$

$$m = 5 \rightarrow T_{6p}T_{6q} + 15T_{4p+2q}T_{2p+4q} - 6T_{5p+q}T_{p+5q} - 10T_{3p+3q}^2 \geq 0$$

$\vdots$

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