

ON SOME INTEGRAL INEQUALITIES RELATED TO THE CAUCHY-BUNYAKOVSKY-SCHWARZ INEQUALITY

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ABSTRACT. Some new results that provide refinements and reverses of the Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz (*CBS*)–inequality in the general setting of Measure Theory and under some boundedness conditions for the functions involved are given.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let (Ω, Σ, μ) be a measure space consisting of a set Ω , a σ –algebra of subsets of Ω denoted by Σ and μ a countably additive and positive measure on Σ with values in $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$. Denote by $L_w^2(\Omega, \mathbb{K})$ ($\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{R}$) the Hilbert space of all \mathbb{K} -valued functions f defined on Ω that are $2 - w$ -integrable on Ω , i.e., $\int_{\Omega} w(x) |f(x)|^2 d\mu(x) < \infty$, where $w : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is a given μ -measurable function on Ω .

In recent years, a number of complex-valued extensions of the celebrated results due to Polya-Szegö [6] (see also [2, p. 93]), Cassels [8], [2, p. 91] and Shisha-Mond [7] (see also [2, p. 104]) have been obtained. These provide reverses of the *CBS*–inequality. Amongst these, there is the following:

Let $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{K}$ ($\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{R}$) and $f, g \in L_w^2(\Omega, \mathbb{K})$ so that either

$$(1.1) \quad \int_{\Omega} \operatorname{Re} \left[(\Gamma g(x) - f(x)) \left(\overline{f(x)} - \overline{\gamma} \cdot \overline{g(x)} \right) \right] w(x) d\mu(x) \geq 0$$

or, equivalently,

$$(1.2) \quad \int_{\Omega} w(x) \left| f(x) - \frac{\gamma + \Gamma}{2} \right|^2 d\mu(x) \leq \frac{1}{4} |\Gamma - \gamma|^2 \int_{\Omega} w(x) |g(x)|^2 d\mu(x)$$

hold, then [1] (see also [5, p. 7]):

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{aligned} (0 \leq) & \int_{\Omega} w(x) |f(x)|^2 d\mu(x) - \int_{\Omega} w(x) |g(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \\ & - \left| \int_{\Omega} w(x) \overline{g(x)} d\mu(x) \right|^2 \\ & \leq \frac{1}{4} |\Gamma - \gamma|^2 \left(\int_{\Omega} w(x) |g(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

The constant $\frac{1}{4}$ is the best possible in (1.3).

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Notice that a sufficient condition for either (1.1) or (1.3) to hold is that:

$$(1.4) \quad \operatorname{Re} \left[(\Gamma g(x) - f(x)) \left(\overline{f(x)} - \bar{\gamma} \cdot \overline{g(x)} \right) \right] \geq 0 \quad \text{for } \mu - \text{a.e. } x \in \Omega.$$

With the same assumptions for γ, Γ, f, g and if $\operatorname{Re}(\Gamma\bar{\gamma}) > 0$, then [4] (see also [5, p. 27]):

$$(1.5) \quad (0 \leq) \int_{\Omega} w(x) |f(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} w(x) |g(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \\ - \left| \int_{\Omega} w(x) \overline{g(x)} d\mu(x) \right|^2 \\ \leq \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{|\Gamma - \gamma|^2}{\operatorname{Re}(\Gamma\bar{\gamma})} \left| \int_{\Omega} w(x) \overline{g(x)} d\mu(x) \right|^2.$$

Here the constant $\frac{1}{4}$ is also the best possible.

Finally, if γ, Γ, f, g satisfy either (1.1) or, equivalently, (1.2) and $\Gamma \neq -\gamma$, then [3] (see also [5, p. 32]):

$$(1.6) \quad (0 \leq) \left[\int_{\Omega} w(x) |f(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} w(x) |g(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ - \left| \int_{\Omega} w(x) \overline{g(x)} d\mu(x) \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{|\Gamma - \gamma|^2}{|\Gamma + \gamma|} \int_{\Omega} w(x) |g(x)|^2 d\mu(x).$$

The constant $\frac{1}{4}$ is again the best possible in (1.6).

We notice that, if f and g are real-valued functions and $\Gamma = M > m = \gamma > 0$, then a sufficient condition for (1.1) to hold is that

$$(1.7) \quad mg(x) \leq f(x) \leq Mg(x) \quad \text{for } \mu - \text{a.e. } x \in \Omega.$$

In this case the inequalities (1.3), (1.5) and (1.6) hold with M, m instead of Γ, γ .

When μ is the discrete measure on $\Omega = \{1, \dots, n\}$, then the corresponding discrete inequalities for complex (real) numbers can be stated as well (see [5]). The details are omitted.

The main aim of this present paper is to establish other inequalities related to the CBS-inequality under different assumptions of boundedness for the functions involved.

2. THE RESULTS

The following result holds that provides an upper and a lower bound for the nonnegative quantity:

$$(2.1) \quad \int_{\Omega} |f(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \\ - \left[\int_{\Omega} |f(x)g(x)| w(x) d\mu(x) \right]^2.$$

Theorem 1. *Assume that the functions $f, g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$, $w : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ ($\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{R}$) are Lebesgue μ -measurable on Ω and such that $|f|^2 w$, $|g|^2 w$, $\left| \frac{f}{g} \right| w$, $\left| \frac{g}{f} \right| w$ and w*

are also Lebesgue μ -integrable on Ω . If there exist constants $0 < m < M < \infty$ such that

$$(2.2) \quad m \leq |f(x)g(x)| \leq M \quad \text{for } \mu\text{-a.e. } x \in \Omega,$$

then we have the double inequalities:

$$(2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & (0 \leq) m^2 \left[\int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(\int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x) \right)^2 \right] \\ & \leq \int_{\Omega} |f(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \\ & \quad - \left[\int_{\Omega} |f(x)g(x)| w(x) d\mu(x) \right]^2 \\ & \leq M^2 \left[\int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(\int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x) \right)^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We use the following elementary identity:

$$\frac{u^2 + v^2}{2} - uv = \frac{1}{2}uv \left(\sqrt{\frac{u}{v}} - \sqrt{\frac{v}{u}} \right)^2$$

that holds for any $u, v > 0$, to write:

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{|f(x)|^2 |g(y)|^2 + |f(y)|^2 |g(x)|^2}{2} - |f(x)g(x)| |f(y)g(y)| \\ & = \frac{1}{2} |f(x)g(x)| |f(y)g(y)| \left(\sqrt{\left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(y)}{f(y)} \right|} - \sqrt{\left| \frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right|} \right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

for μ -a.e. $x, y \in \Omega$.

Since

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sqrt{\left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(y)}{f(y)} \right|} - \sqrt{\left| \frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right|} \right)^2 \\ & = \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(y)}{f(y)} \right| + \left| \frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| - 2 \end{aligned}$$

and $0 < m \leq |f(x)g(x)| \leq M < \infty$ for μ -a.e. $x \in \Omega$, then we get, from (2.4), the double inequality:

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} m^2 \left(\left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(y)}{f(y)} \right| + \left| \frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| - 2 \right) \\ & \leq \frac{|f(x)|^2 |g(y)|^2 + |f(y)|^2 |g(x)|^2}{2} - |f(x)g(x)| \cdot |f(y)g(y)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} M^2 \left(\left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(y)}{f(y)} \right| + \left| \frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \right| \cdot \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| - 2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

for μ -a.e. $x, y \in \Omega$.

Now, if we multiply (2.5) by $w(x)w(y) \geq 0$ and integrate over x and y , we deduce:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2}m^2 \left(\int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{g(y)}{f(y)} \right| w(y) d\mu(y) \right. \\
& \quad + \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \right| w(y) d\mu(y) \cdot \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \\
& \quad \left. - 2 \int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x) \int_{\Omega} w(y) d\mu(y) \right) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_{\Omega} |f(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} |g(y)|^2 w(y) d\mu(y) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \int_{\Omega} |f(y)|^2 w(y) d\mu(y) \cdot \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \right] \\
& \quad - \int_{\Omega} |f(x)g(x)| w(x) d\mu(x) \int_{\Omega} |f(y)g(y)| w(y) d\mu(y) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2}M^2 \left(\int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{g(y)}{f(y)} \right| w(y) d\mu(y) \right. \\
& \quad + \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{f(y)}{g(y)} \right| w(y) d\mu(y) \cdot \int_{\Omega} \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| w(x) d\mu(x) \\
& \quad \left. - 2 \int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x) \int_{\Omega} w(y) d\mu(y) \right),
\end{aligned}$$

which is clearly equivalent to (2.3). ■

In order to obtain perhaps a more convenient upper bound for the Cauchy-Bunyakovsky-Schwarz difference (2.1), we use the following Cassels' type result (see for instance [5, p. 27]):

If w is as above and $k, l : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{K}$ are Lebesgue μ -measurable, $w|h|^2$, $w|l|^2$ are Lebesgue μ -integrable on Ω and

$$(2.6) \quad 0 < \varphi \leq \left| \frac{h(x)}{l(x)} \right| \leq \phi < \infty \quad \text{for } \mu - \text{a.e. } x \in \Omega,$$

where φ, ϕ are constants, then (see also (1.5)):

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.7) \quad 0 & < \int_{\Omega} w(x) |h(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \int_{\Omega} w(x) |l(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \\
& \quad - \left(\int_{\Omega} w(x) |h(x)l(x)| d\mu(x) \right)^2 \\
& \leq \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{(\varphi - \phi)^2}{\phi\varphi} \left(\int_{\Omega} w(x) |h(x)l(x)| d\mu(x) \right)^2.
\end{aligned}$$

The following corollary holds.

Corollary 1. *Assume that f, g, w are as in Theorem 1 and that there exists a constant $M > 0$ such that $|f(x)g(x)| \leq M$ for μ -a.e. $x \in \Omega$. If, in addition, there exists constants $0 < n < N < \infty$ such that*

$$(2.8) \quad n \leq \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| \leq N \quad \text{for } \mu - \text{a.e. } x \in \Omega,$$

then

$$(2.9) \quad \int_{\Omega} |f(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) - \left[\int_{\Omega} |f(x)g(x)| w(x) d\mu(x) \right]^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} M^2 \cdot \frac{(N-n)^2}{nN} \cdot \int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x).$$

Proof. We apply the inequality (2.7) for $h = \sqrt{\left|\frac{f}{g}\right|}$, $l = \sqrt{\left|\frac{g}{f}\right|}$. Due to assumption (2.8), we have, $\sqrt{n} \leq h(x) \leq \sqrt{N}$ and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \leq l(x) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ for μ -a.e. $x \in \Omega$, which shows that $\varphi = n \leq \frac{h(x)}{l(x)} \leq N = \phi$ for μ -a.e. $x \in \Omega$. We then have $\frac{(\varphi-\phi)^2}{\phi\varphi} = \frac{(N-n)^2}{nN}$ and, by (2.7),

$$\int_{\Omega} w(x) \left| \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \right| d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} w(x) \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right| d\mu(x) - \left(\int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x) \right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} \frac{(N-n)^2}{nN} \cdot \int_{\Omega} w(x) d\mu(x),$$

which, together with the second inequality in (2.3), provides the desired result (2.9). ■

Now, on utilising the inequality (1.3), we can also state the following inequality for two functions h and l satisfying (2.6),

$$(2.10) \quad (0 \leq) \int_{\Omega} w(x) |h(x)|^2 d\mu(x) \int_{\Omega} w(x) |l(x)|^2 d\mu(x) - \left(\int_{\Omega} w(x) |h(x)l(x)| d\mu(x) \right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} (\varphi - \phi)^2 \int_{\Omega} w(x) |l(x)|^2 d\mu(x).$$

Corollary 2. *With the assumptions of Corollary 1, we have:*

$$(2.11) \quad \int_{\Omega} |f(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) \cdot \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 w(x) d\mu(x) - \left[\int_{\Omega} |f(x)g(x)| d\mu(x) \right]^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} M^2 (N-n)^2 \cdot \int_{\Omega} w(x) \left| \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} \right|^2 d\mu(x).$$

3. APPLICATIONS FOR n -TUPLES OF COMPLEX NUMBERS

On choosing the discrete measure in Theorem 1, we can state the following result for complex numbers.

Proposition 1. *Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$ and $p = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ be a probability sequence, i.e., $p_i \geq 0$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$. If there exist constants $0 < m < M < \infty$ such that*

$$(3.1) \quad m \leq |x_i y_i| \leq M, \quad i \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

then:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.2) \quad & m^2 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{x_i}{y_i} \right| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{y_i}{x_i} \right| - 1 \right] \\
 & \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |x_i|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |y_i|^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |x_i y_i| \right)^2 \\
 & \leq M^2 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{x_i}{y_i} \right| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{y_i}{x_i} \right| - 1 \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

In addition, if the second inequality in (3.1) is satisfied and if there exist constants $0 < d < D < \infty$ such that

$$(3.3) \quad d \leq \left| \frac{x_i}{y_i} \right| \leq D \quad \text{for } s \in \{1, \dots, n\},$$

then:

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |x_i|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |y_i|^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |x_i y_i| \right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} M^2 \cdot \frac{(D-d)^2}{dD},$$

and

$$(3.5) \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |x_i|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |y_i|^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |x_i y_i| \right)^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} M^2 (D-d)^2 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \frac{y_i}{x_i} \right|,$$

respectively.

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