

## Convexity-like inequalities for averages in a convex set

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For a function  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ , convex and finite over an algebraically open convex subset  $C$  of a linear space  $X$ , we provide a simple necessary and sufficient condition for the "convexity inequality"

$$f\left(\sum \lambda_i x_i\right) \leq \sum \lambda_i f(x_i) \quad (C_n)$$

to be satisfied for every integer  $n \geq 2$  and all  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in X$  and  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $\sum \lambda_i = 1$  and

$$\sum \lambda_i x_i \in C$$

(i.e. if *just the average*  $\sum \lambda_i x_i$  lies in the set  $C$  of convexity, *not* the points  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  themselves).

Our condition is simply that  $f$  majorizes a certain convex function, depending only on the restriction  $f_C$  of  $f$  to  $C$ , namely the *smallest convex extension* of  $f_C$ , which is given explicitly.

We apply this result to *enlarge* the set of  $n$ -tuples  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n$  satisfying  $(C_n)$ , beyond  $C^n$ , the domain ensured by the convexity of  $f$  on  $C$ . A number of examples show that such an *extension of the domain of validity* of  $(C_n)$  can be easily obtained when  $X = \mathbb{R}$ .

## Sur les solutions globales de l'équation des cocycles

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Let  $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^+ \times X \mapsto X$  be a semidynamical system and  $f: \mathbb{R}^+ \times X \mapsto \mathbb{R}^+$  be a cocycle of  $(X, \Phi)$ , i.e.  $f$  verifies the following functional equation:

$$\forall x \in X; s, t \geq 0: \quad f(s+t, x) = f(t, x)f(s, \Phi(t, x)). \quad (E)$$

Under convenient conditions, we give an explicit form of the globally measurable or continuous solutions of (E) and we study the particular case when  $X = \mathbb{R}$ .