

## PRE-GRÜSS TYPE INEQUALITIES IN 2-INNER PRODUCT SPACES

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**Abstract.** Some pre-Grüss type inequalities in 2-inner product space and applications for determinantal inequalities are given.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $f, g$  be two functions defined and integrable on  $[a, b]$ . Assume that

$$\varphi \leq f(x) \leq \Phi \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma \leq g(x) \leq \Gamma$$

for each  $x \in [a, b]$ , where  $\varphi, \Phi, \gamma, \Gamma$  are given real constant. Then the following inequality is well known in the literature as the Grüss inequality ([9, p.296])

$$\left| \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x)dx \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b g(x)dx \right| \leq \frac{1}{4} |\Phi - \varphi| \cdot |\Gamma - \gamma|.$$

In this inequality, G. Grüss has proved that, the constant  $\frac{1}{4}$  is the best possible in the sense that it cannot be replaced by a smaller one, and is achieved for

$$f(x) = g(x) = \operatorname{sgn}\left(x - \frac{a+b}{2}\right).$$

In [3], S. S. Dragomir has proved the Grüss type inequality in real or complex inner product spaces. Further, S. S. Dragomir et al. have given some pre-Grüss type inequalities in real or complex inner product spaces [7].

In [8], the authors have proved the Grüss type inequality in 2-inner product spaces. Recently, in [4-6, 11], the authors have further given some refinements, generalizations, extensions and alternative proofs of Grüss type inequality in 2-inner product spaces.

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The purpose of this paper, we will establish the corresponding versions of pre-Grüss inequality for both real and complex 2-inner product spaces. Also, some determinantal inequalities are point out.

## 2. Preliminaries and Lemmas

The concepts of 2-inner products and 2-inner product spaces have been intensively studied by many authors in the last three decades. A systematic presentation of the recent results related to the theory of 2-inner product spaces as well as an extensive list of the related references can be found in the book [1]. Here we give the basic definitions and the elementary properties of 2-inner product spaces.

Let  $X$  be a linear space of dimension greater than 1 over the field  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$  of real numbers or the field  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{C}$  of complex numbers. Suppose that  $(\cdot, \cdot | \cdot)$  is a  $\mathbb{K}$ -valued function defined on  $X \times X \times X$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (2I<sub>1</sub>)  $(x, x | z) \geq 0$  and  $(x, x | z) = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent,
- (2I<sub>2</sub>)  $(x, x | z) = \overline{(z, z | x)}$ ,
- (2I<sub>3</sub>)  $(y, x | z) = \overline{(x, y | z)}$ ,
- (2I<sub>4</sub>)  $(\alpha x, y | z) = \alpha(x, y | z)$  for any scalar  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$ ,
- (2I<sub>5</sub>)  $(x + x', y | z) = (x, y | z) + (x', y | z)$ .

$(\cdot, \cdot | \cdot)$  is called a *2-inner product* on  $X$  and  $(X, (\cdot, \cdot | \cdot))$  is called a *2-inner product space* (or *2-pre-Hilbert space*). Some basic properties of 2-inner product spaces can be immediately obtained as follows [2]:

- (1) If  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ , then (2I<sub>3</sub>) reduces to

$$(y, x | z) = (x, y | z).$$

- (2) From (2I<sub>3</sub>) and (2I<sub>4</sub>), we have

$$(0, y | z) = 0, \quad (x, 0 | z) = 0$$

and also

$$(x, \alpha y | z) = \overline{\alpha}(x, y | z). \quad (2.1)$$

- (3) Using (2I<sub>2</sub>)-(2I<sub>5</sub>), we have

$$(z, z | x \pm y) = (x \pm y, x \pm y | z) = (x, x | z) + (y, y | z) \pm 2\operatorname{Re}(x, y | z)$$

and

$$\operatorname{Re}(x, y | z) = \frac{1}{4}[(z, z | x + y) - (z, z | x - y)]. \quad (2.2)$$

In the real case  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$ , (2.2) reduces to

$$(x, y | z) = \frac{1}{4}[(z, z | x + y) - (z, z | x - y)] \quad (2.3)$$

and, using this formula, it is easy to see that, for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(x, y | \alpha z) = \alpha^2(x, y | z). \quad (2.4)$$

In the complex case, using (2.1) and (2.2), we have

$$\operatorname{Im}(x, y | z) = \operatorname{Re}[-i(x, y | z)] = \frac{1}{4}[(z, z | x + iy) - (z, z | x - iy)],$$

which, in combination with (2.2), yields

$$(x, y | z) = \frac{1}{4}[(z, z | x + y) - (z, z | x - y)] + \frac{i}{4}[(z, z | x + iy) - (z, z | x - iy)]. \quad (2.5)$$

Using the above formula and (2.1), we have, for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$(x, y | \alpha z) = |\alpha|^2(x, y | z). \quad (2.6)$$

However, for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , (2.6) reduces to (2.4).

Also, from (2.6) it follows that

$$(x, y | 0) = 0.$$

(4) For any three given vectors  $x, y, z \in X$ , consider the vector  $u = (y, y | z)x - (x, y | z)y$ . By (2I<sub>1</sub>), we know that  $(u, u | z) \geq 0$  with the equality if and only if  $u$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent. The inequality  $(u, u | z) \geq 0$  can be rewritten as,

$$(y, y | z)[(x, x | z)(y, y | z) - |(x, y | z)|^2] \geq 0. \quad (2.7)$$

For  $x = z$ , (2.7) becomes

$$-(y, y | z) |(z, y | z)|^2 \geq 0,$$

which implies that

$$(z, y | z) = (y, z | z) = 0 \quad (2.8)$$

provided  $y$  and  $z$  are linearly independent. Obviously, when  $y$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent, (2.8) holds too. Thus (2.8) is true for any two vectors  $y, z \in X$ . Now, if  $y$  and  $z$  are linearly independent, then  $(y, y | z) > 0$  and, from (2.7), it follows that

$$|(x, y | z)|^2 \leq (x, x | z)(y, y | z). \quad (2.9)$$

Using (2.8), it is easy to check that (2.9) is trivially fulfilled when  $y$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent. Therefore, the inequality (2.9) holds for any three vectors  $x, y, z \in X$  and it is strict unless the vectors  $u = (y, y | z)x - (x, y | z)y$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent. In fact, we have the equality in (2.9) if and only if the three vectors  $x, y$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent.

In any given 2-inner product space  $(X, (\cdot, \cdot | \cdot))$ , we can define a function  $\|\cdot | \cdot\|$  on  $X \times X$  by

$$\|x | z\| = \sqrt{(x, x | z)} \quad (2.10)$$

for all  $x, z \in X$ .

It is easy to see that this function satisfies the following conditions:

(2N<sub>1</sub>)  $\|x \mid z\| \geq 0$  and  $\|x \mid z\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $z$  are linearly dependent,

(2N<sub>2</sub>)  $\|x \mid z\| = \|x \mid z\|$ ,

(2N<sub>3</sub>)  $\|\alpha x \mid z\| = |\alpha| \|x \mid z\|$  for any scalar  $\alpha \in \mathbb{K}$ ,

(2N<sub>4</sub>)  $\|x + x' \mid z\| \leq \|x \mid z\| + \|x' \mid z\|$ .

Any function  $\|\cdot \mid \cdot\|$  defined on  $X \times X$  and satisfying the conditions (2N<sub>1</sub>)-(2N<sub>4</sub>) is called a *2-norm* on  $X$  and  $(X, \|\cdot \mid \cdot\|)$  is called a *linear 2-normed space* [10]. Whenever a 2-inner product space  $(X, (\cdot, \cdot \mid \cdot))$  is given, we consider it as a linear 2-normed space  $(X, \|\cdot \mid \cdot\|)$  with the 2-norm defined by (2.10).

Let  $(X; (\cdot, \cdot \mid \cdot))$  be a 2-inner product space over the real or complex number field  $\mathbb{K}$ . If  $(f_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$  are linearly independent vectors in the 2-inner product space  $X$ , and, for a given  $z \in X$ ,  $(f_i, f_j \mid z) = \delta_{ij}$  for all  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  where  $\delta_{ij}$  is the Kronecker delta (we say that the family  $(f_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$  is *z-orthonormal*), then the following inequality is the corresponding *Bessel's inequality* (see for example [2]) for the *z-orthonormal family*  $(f_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$  in the 2-inner product space  $(X; (\cdot, \cdot \mid \cdot))$ :

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |(x, f_i \mid z)|^2 \leq \|x \mid z\|^2 \quad (2.11)$$

for any  $x \in X$ . For more details on this inequality, see the recent paper [2] and the references therein.

The following result can be found in [4, Corollary 1]:

Let  $x, z, e \in X$  with  $\|e \mid z\| = 1$  and  $\varphi, \Phi \in K$  with  $\varphi \neq \Phi$ . Then

$$\operatorname{Re}(\Phi e - x, e - \varphi e \mid z) \geq 0$$

if and only if

$$\left\| x - \frac{\varphi + \Phi}{2} \cdot e \mid z \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi|.$$

We shall use the following lemma:

**Lemma 1.**([4]) *Let  $x, z, e \in X$  with  $\|e \mid z\| = 1$ . Then one has the following representation*

$$0 \leq \|x \mid z\|^2 - |(x, e \mid z)|^2 = \inf_{\lambda \in \mathbb{K}} \|x - \lambda e \mid z\|^2.$$

In [6], the following result and lemma hold.

Let  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a family of *z-orthonormal* vectors in  $X$ ,  $F$  a finite part of  $I$  and  $\varphi_i, \Phi_i$  ( $i \in F$ ), real or complex numbers. The following statements are equivalent for  $x \in X$ .

(i)  $\operatorname{Re} \left( \sum_{i \in F} \Phi_i e_i - x, x - \sum_{i \in F} \varphi_i e_i \mid z \right) \geq 0,$

(ii)  $\left\| x - \sum_{i \in F} \frac{\varphi_i + \Phi_i}{2} \cdot e_i \mid z \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$

**Lemma 2.** *If (i) or (ii) hold, then we have the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \|x \mid z\|^2 - \sum_{i \in F} |(x, e_i \mid z)|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 - \operatorname{Re} \left( \sum_{i \in F} \Phi_i e_i - x, x - \sum_{i \in F} \varphi_i e_i \mid z \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2. \end{aligned}$$

We also need the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.**([5]) *Let  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$ ,  $F$ ,  $\varphi_i$ ,  $\Phi_i$ ,  $i \in F$  and  $x, z \in X$  so that either (i) or (ii) hold. Then we have the inequality*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \|x \mid z\|^2 - \sum_{i \in F} |(x, e_i \mid z)|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 - \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{\varphi_i + \Phi_i}{2} - (x, e_i \mid z) \right|^2 \\ &\quad \left( \leq \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right). \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Pre-Grüss Inequalities in 2-Inner Product Spaces

We start with the following result.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $(X, (\cdot, \cdot \mid \cdot))$  be an 2-inner product space over  $\mathbb{K}$  ( $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ ), and  $e, z \in X$ ,  $\|e \mid z\| = 1$ . If  $\varphi, \Phi$  are real or complex numbers and  $x, y$  are vectors in  $X$  such that the condition*

$$\operatorname{Re}(\Phi e - x, x - \varphi e \mid z) \geq 0, \tag{3.1}$$

*holds or, equivalently, the following assumption*

$$\left\| x - \frac{\varphi + \Phi}{2} \cdot e \mid z \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi|, \tag{3.2}$$

*is valid, then one has the inequality*

$$|(x, y \mid z) - (x, e \mid z)(e, y \mid z)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi| \cdot \sqrt{\|y \mid z\|^2 - |(y, e \mid z)|^2} \tag{3.3}$$

*and*

$$\begin{aligned} &|(x, y \mid z) - (x, e \mid z)(e, y \mid z)| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi| \cdot \|y \mid z\| - (\operatorname{Re}(\Phi e - x, x - \varphi e \mid z))^{1/2} \cdot |(y, e \mid z)|. \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

**Proof.** If we apply Schwarz's inequality in 2-inner product space for the vectors  $x - (x, e | z)e$ ,  $y - (y, e | z)e$ , then it can be easily shown that

$$|(x, y | z) - (x, e | z)(e, y | z)| \leq [ \|x | z\|^2 - |(x, e | z)|^2 ]^{\frac{1}{2}} [ \|y | z\|^2 - |(y, e | z)|^2 ]^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (3.5)$$

for any  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $e \in X$ ,  $\|e | z\| = 1$ .

Using Lemma 1 and condition (3.2) we have

$$[ \|x | z\|^2 - |(x, e | z)|^2 ]^{\frac{1}{2}} = \inf_{\lambda \in \mathbb{K}} \|x - \lambda e | z\| \leq \left\| x - \frac{\varphi + \Phi}{2} \cdot e | z \right\| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi|,$$

and so, by (3.5), the desired inequality (3.3) is obtained.

By simple computation, we also observe that the following identities are valid.

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \|x | z\|^2 - |(x, e | z)|^2 \\ &= \operatorname{Re}[(\Phi - (x, e | z)) \overline{(x, e | z) - \bar{\varphi}}] - \operatorname{Re}(\Phi e - x, x - \varphi e | z). \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

Using the elementary inequality for complex numbers.

$$4\operatorname{Re}(a\bar{b}) \leq |a + b|^2, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{K} (\mathbb{K} = R, C), \quad (3.7)$$

we have

$$\operatorname{Re}((\Phi - (x, e | z)) \overline{(x, e | z) - \bar{\varphi}}) \leq \frac{1}{4} |\Phi - \varphi|^2.$$

Consequently, by (3.1), (3.5), (3.6) and (3.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &|(x, y | z) - (x, e | z)(e, y | z)|^2 \\ &\leq \left[ \left( \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi| \right)^2 - ([\operatorname{Re}(\Phi e - x, x - \varphi e | z)]^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 \right] \cdot [ \|y | z\|^2 - |(y, e | z)|^2 ]. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Finally, using the elementary inequality for positive real numbers

$$(m^2 - n^2)(p^2 - q^2) \leq (mp - nq)^2, \quad (3.9)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[ \left( \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi| \right)^2 - ([\operatorname{Re}(\Phi e - x, x - \varphi e | z)]^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 \right] [ \|y | z\|^2 - |(y, e | z)|^2 ] \\ &\leq \left[ \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi| \|y | z\| - [\operatorname{Re}(\Phi e - x, x - \varphi e | z)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot |(y, e | z)| \right]^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

The desired inequality (3.4) follows immediately from (3.8) and (3.10).

#### 4. Pre-Grüss Inequalities Associated to Orthonormal Families in 2-Inner Product Spaces

**Theorem 2.** Let  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$  be family of  $z$ -orthonormal vectors in  $X$ ,  $F$  a finite part of  $I$ ,  $\varphi_i, \Phi_i \in K$ ,  $i \in F$  and  $x, y$  are vectors in  $X$  such that either the condition

$$\operatorname{Re} \left( \sum_{i \in F} \Phi_i e_i - x, x - \sum_{i \in F} \varphi_i e_i \mid z \right) \geq 0, \quad (4.1)$$

or equivalently,

$$\|x - \sum_{i \in F} \frac{\Phi_i + \varphi_i}{2} e_i \mid z\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (4.2)$$

holds. Then we have the following inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned} & |(x, y \mid z) - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i \mid z)(e_i, y \mid z)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{\|y \mid z\|^2 - \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i \mid z)|^2}; \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |(x, y \mid z) - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i \mid z)(e_i, y \mid z)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|y \mid z\| \\ & \quad - \left( \operatorname{Re} \left( \sum_{i \in F} \Phi_i e_i - x, x - \sum_{i \in F} \varphi_i e_i \mid z \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i \mid z)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}; \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & |(x, y \mid z) - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i \mid z)(e_i, y \mid z)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|y \mid z\| \\ & \quad - \left( \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{\Phi_i + \varphi_i}{2} - (x, e_i \mid z) \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i \mid z)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}; \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & |(x, y \mid z) - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i \mid z)(e_i, y \mid z)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|y \mid z\| - \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{\Phi_i + \varphi_i}{2} - (x, e_i \mid z) \right| \cdot |(y, e_i \mid z)|. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

**Proof.** It is obvious that

$$\begin{aligned}
& (x, y | z) - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z)(e_i, y | z) \\
&= \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z)e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (e_i, y | z)e_i | z \right). \\
&= \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z)e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z)e_i | z \right). \tag{4.7}
\end{aligned}$$

Using (2.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z)e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z)e_i | z \right) \right|^2 \\
& \leq \left\| x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z)e_i | z \right\|^2 \cdot \left\| y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z)e_i | z \right\|^2 \\
& = \left( \|x | z\|^2 - \sum_{i \in F} |(x, e_i | z)|^2 \right) \left( \|y | z\|^2 - \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i | z)|^2 \right). \tag{4.8}
\end{aligned}$$

Using the third inequality of Lemma 2, we have

$$\|x | z\|^2 - \sum_{i \in F} |(x, e_i | z)|^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \tag{4.9}$$

the inequality (4.3) follows from (4.7), (4.8) and (4.9).

Using the second inequality of Lemma 2, we also have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z)e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z)e_i | z \right) \right|^2 \\
& \leq \left( \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 - \left( \left[ \operatorname{Re} \left( \sum_{i \in F} \Phi_i e_i - x, x - \sum_{i \in F} \varphi_i e_i | z \right) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2 \right) \\
& \quad \times \left( \|y | z\|^2 - \left[ \left( \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i | z)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 \right). \tag{4.10}
\end{aligned}$$



By the elementary inequality (3.9) and (4.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z) e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z) e_i | z \right) \right|^2 \\ & \leq \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \|y|z\| \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left( Re \left( \sum_{i \in F} \Phi_i e_i - x, x - \sum_{i \in F} \varphi_i e_i | z \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i | z)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result (4.4).

Similarly, applying Lemma 3 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z) e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z) e_i | z \right) \right|^2 \\ & \leq \left( \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 - \left[ \left( \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{\Phi_i + \varphi_i}{2} - (x, e_i | z) \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 \right) \\ & \quad \times \left( \|y|z\|^2 - \left[ \left( \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i | z)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2 \right) \end{aligned} \tag{4.11}$$

By the elementary inequality (3.9) and (4.11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z) e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z) e_i | z \right) \right|^2 \\ & \leq \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \|y|z\| \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left( \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{\Phi_i + \varphi_i}{2} - (x, e_i | z) \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |(y, e_i | z)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result (4.5).

Further, on utilizing (4.11) and the Aczél's inequality [9, p.117]

$$(a_1^2 - a_2^2 - \dots - a_n^2)(b_1^2 - b_2^2 - \dots - b_n^2) \leq (a_1 b_1 - a_2 b_2 - \dots - a_n b_n)^2,$$

provided  $a_1^2 - a_2^2 - \dots - a_n^2 > 0$  or  $b_1^2 - b_2^2 - \dots - b_n^2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left( x - \sum_{i \in F} (x, e_i | z) e_i, y - \sum_{i \in F} (y, e_i | z) e_i | z \right) \right|^2 \\ & \leq \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |\Phi_i - \varphi_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \|y | z\| - \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{\Phi_i + \varphi_i}{2} - (x, e_i | z) \right| \cdot |(y, e_i | z)| \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired result (4.6). This completes the proof.

**Remark 3.** Taking  $F = \{1\}$  in Theorem 2, we note that (4.3) and (4.4) reduce to (3.3) and (3.4), respectively. Also, both (4.5) and (4.6) reduce to

$$\begin{aligned} & |(x, y | z) - (x, e_1 | z)(e_1, y | z)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi_1 - \varphi_1| \cdot \|y | z\| - \left| \frac{\Phi_1 + \varphi_1}{2} - (x, e_1 | z) \right| \cdot |(y, e_1 | z)| \end{aligned}$$

which is a new pre-Grüss type inequality in 2-inner product spaces.

## 5. Determinantal Integral Inequalities

Let  $(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$  be a measure space consisting of a set  $\Omega$ ,  $\Sigma$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $\Omega$  and be  $\mu$  a countably additive and positive measure on  $\Sigma$  with value in  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ .

Denote by  $L_\rho^2(\Omega)$  the Hilbert space of all real-valued functions  $f$  defined on  $\Omega$  that are 2- $\rho$ -integrable on  $\Omega$ , i.e.,  $\int_\Omega \rho(s) |f(s)|^2 d\mu(s) < \infty$ , where  $\rho : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is a measurable function on  $\Omega$ .

We can introduce the following 2-inner product on  $L_\rho^2(\Omega)$  by formula

$$(f, g | h)_\rho := \frac{1}{2} \int_\Omega \int_\Omega \rho(s) \rho(t) \begin{vmatrix} f(s) & f(t) \\ h(s) & h(t) \end{vmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} g(s) & g(t) \\ h(s) & h(t) \end{vmatrix} d\mu(s) d\mu(t), \quad (5.1)$$

where by

$$\begin{vmatrix} f(s) & f(t) \\ h(s) & h(t) \end{vmatrix}$$

we denote the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} f(s) & f(t) \\ h(s) & h(t) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Define the 2-norm on  $L_\rho^2(\Omega)$  expressed by

$$\|f | h\|_\rho := \left( \frac{1}{2} \int_\Omega \int_\Omega \rho(s) \rho(t) \begin{vmatrix} f(s) & f(t) \\ h(s) & h(t) \end{vmatrix}^2 d\mu(s) d\mu(t) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5.2)$$

A simple calculation with integrals reveals that

$$(f, g | h)_\rho = \left| \frac{\int_\Omega \rho f g d\mu}{\int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu} \frac{\int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu}{\int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu} \right| \tag{5.3}$$

and

$$\|f | h\|_\rho = \left| \frac{\int_\Omega \rho f^2 d\mu}{\int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu} \frac{\int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu}{\int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu} \right|^{\frac{1}{2}}, \tag{5.4}$$

where, for simplicity, instead of  $\int_\Omega \rho(s) f(s) g(s) d\mu(s)$ , we have written  $\int_\Omega \rho f g d\mu$ .

We recall that the pair of functions  $(q, p) \in L^2_\rho(\Omega) \times L^2_\rho(\Omega)$  is called *synchronous* if

$$(q(x) - q(y))(p(x) - p(y)) \geq 0$$

for a.e.  $x, y \in \Omega$ .

We note that, if  $\Omega = [a, b]$ , then a sufficient condition for synchronicity is that the functions are both monotonic increasing or decreasing. This condition is not necessary.

Now, suppose that  $h \in L^2_\rho(\Omega)$  is such that  $h(x) \neq 0$  for a.e.  $x \in \Omega$ . Then, by the definition of 2-inner product  $(f, g | h)_\rho$ , we have

$$(f, g | h)_\rho = \frac{1}{2} \int_\Omega \int_\Omega \rho(s) \rho(t) h^2(s) h^2(t) \left( \frac{f(s)}{h(s)} - \frac{f(t)}{h(t)} \right) \left( \frac{g(s)}{h(s)} - \frac{g(t)}{h(t)} \right) d\mu(s) d\mu(t) \tag{5.5}$$

and thus a *sufficient condition* for the inequality

$$(f, g | h)_\rho \geq 0 \tag{5.6}$$

to hold, is that, the pair of functions  $(\frac{f}{h}, \frac{g}{h})$  are synchronous. It is obvious that, this condition is not necessary.

Using the representations (5.3), (5.4) and the inequalities for 2-inner products and 2-norms established in the previous sections, one may state some interesting determinantal integral inequalities as follows.

**Proposition 4.** *Let  $f, g, h, u \in L^2_\rho(\Omega)$  with  $h \neq 0$  a.e. and*

$$\int_\Omega \rho u^2 d\mu \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu - \left( \int_\Omega \rho u h d\mu \right)^2 = 1.$$

*If  $M$  and  $m$  are real numbers with the property that*

$$\left( M \cdot \frac{u}{h} - \frac{f}{h}, \frac{f}{h} - m \cdot \frac{u}{h} \right)$$

*is synchronous on  $\Omega$ , then we have the following determinantal integral Pre-Grüss type inequality*

$$|G_\rho(f, g)| \leq \frac{|M - m|}{2} \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g^2 d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} - \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g u d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho u h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
|G_\rho(f, g)| &\leq \frac{|M-m|}{2} \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g^2 d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\quad - \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho(Mu-f)(f-mu) d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho(Mu-f) h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho(f-mu) h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\quad \times \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g u d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho u h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right|
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
G_\rho(f, g) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f g d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \\
&\quad - \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f u d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho u h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g u d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho u h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

The proof follows by applying for the 2-inner product  $(\cdot, \cdot | \cdot)_\rho$  defined in (5.1) and Theorem 1.

If one applies Theorem 2 for the same 2-inner product, then one can state the following interesting determinantal integral inequalities.

**Proposition 5.** *Let  $f, g, h \in L_\rho^2(\Omega)$  with  $h(x) \neq 0$  a.e.  $x \in \Omega$  and  $(f_i)_{i \in I}$  a family of functions in  $L_\rho^2(\Omega)$  with the property that*

$$\left| \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f_i f_j d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right| = \delta_{i,j}$$

for any  $i, j \in I$ , where  $\delta_{i,j}$  is the Kronecker delta.

If we assume that there exist real numbers  $M_i, m_i, i \in F$ , where  $F$  is a given finite part of  $I$ , such that the functions

$$\left( \sum_{i \in F} M_i \cdot \frac{f_i}{h} - \frac{f}{h}, \frac{f}{h} - \sum_{i \in F} m_i \cdot \frac{f_i}{h} \right)$$

are synchronous on  $\Omega$  and define

$$\begin{aligned}
F_\rho(f, g) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f g d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \\
&\quad - \sum_{i \in F} \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \cdot \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho g h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have the inequalities

$$|F_\rho(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |M_i - m_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g^2 d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} - \sum_{i \in F} \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$|F_\rho(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |M_i - m_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f g d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \sum_{i \in F} \rho(M_i f_i - f)(f - m_i f_i) d\mu & \int_\Omega \sum_{i \in F} \rho(M_i f_i - f) h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho(f - m_i f_i) h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \left( \sum_{i \in F} \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$|F_\rho(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |M_i - m_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f g^2 d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \left( \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{M_i + m_i}{2} - \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \left( \sum_{i \in F} \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and

$$|F_\rho(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{i \in F} |M_i - m_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \left( \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g^2 d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \sum_{i \in F} \left| \frac{M_i + m_i}{2} - \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho f f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho f h d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right| \cdot \left| \det \begin{bmatrix} \int_\Omega \rho g f_i d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho gh d\mu \\ \int_\Omega \rho f_i h d\mu & \int_\Omega \rho h^2 d\mu \end{bmatrix} \right|.$$

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