

# DUAL $L_p$ AFFINE ISOPERIMETRIC INEQUALITIES

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We establish some inequalities for the dual  $p$ -centroid bodies which are the dual forms of the results by Lutwak, Yang, and Zhang. Further, we establish a Brunn-Minkowski-type inequality for the polar of dual  $p$ -centroid bodies.

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## 1. Introduction

Corresponding to each convex (or more general) subset of  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space,  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , there is a unique ellipsoid with the following property. The moment of inertia of the ellipsoid and the moment of inertia of the convex set are the same about every 1-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . This ellipsoid is called the Legendre ellipsoid of the convex set. The Legendre ellipsoid is a well-known concept from classical mechanics. For a star-shaped (about the origin) set  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , it is easy to see that its Legendre ellipsoid, usually denoted by  $\Gamma_2 K$ , is an object of the dual Brunn-Minkowski theory. In [6], the dual analog of the classical Legendre ellipsoid in the Brunn-Minkowski theory is introduced. For a convex body (i.e., a compact, convex subset with nonempty interior)  $K$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , its dual analog of  $\Gamma_2 K$  is denoted by  $\Gamma_{-2} K$ . More in general, in [8], the  $L_p$  analog of centroid bodies,  $\Gamma_p K$  for a convex body  $K$  also being investigated, and, in [7], the dual of  $\Gamma_p K$ ,  $\Gamma_{-p} K$  are defined. The main aim of this article is to establish some affine inequalities for  $\Gamma_{-p} K$ , which are dual analog of the main results in [5, 8]. The techniques developed by Lutwak, Yang, and Zhang play a critical role throughout our paper.

Let  $S^{n-1}$  denote the unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $B$  denote the unit ball (the convex hull of  $S^{n-1}$ ) in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and write  $\omega_n$  for the  $n$ -dimensional volume of  $B$ . Note that

$$\omega_n = \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(1 + n/2)} \tag{1.1}$$

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defines  $\omega_n$  for all nonnegative real  $n$  (not just the positive integer). For real  $p \geq 1$ , define  $c_{n,p}$  by

$$c_{n,p} = \frac{\omega_{n+p}}{\omega_2 \omega_n \omega_{p-1}}. \quad (1.2)$$

If  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that contained the origin in its interior and  $p > 0$ , then the  $p$ -dual centroid body of  $K$ ,  $\Gamma_{-p}K$ , is defined as the body whose radial function, for  $u \in S^{n-1}$ , is given by

$$\rho_{\Gamma_{-p}K}(u)^{-p} = \frac{1}{nc_{n-2,p}V(K)} \int_{S^{n-1}} |u \cdot v|^p dS_p(K, v), \quad (1.3)$$

where  $S_p(K, v)$  denote the  $p$ -surface area measure.

For  $p \geq 1$  the body  $\Gamma_{-p}K$  is a convex body. The normalization is chosen so that for the standard unit ball  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we have  $\Gamma_{-p}B = B$  and this definition of  $\Gamma_{-p}K$  is different from the definition given by Lutwak et al. in [7].

The main results of ours are the following Theorems 1.1, 1.4, and 1.5.

**THEOREM 1.1.** *If  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then for  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$V(\Gamma_{-p}K) \leq V(K), \quad (1.4)$$

*with equality if and only if  $K$  is an ellipsoid centered at the origin.*

The dual analog of Theorem 1.1 for  $\Gamma_pK$  has been established by Lutwak et al. in [5] (see Campi and Gronchi [1] for an alternate approach), that is, the following holds.

**THEOREM 1.2.** *If  $K$  is a star body (about the origin) in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then for  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$V(\Gamma_pK) \geq V(K), \quad (1.5)$$

*with equality if and only if  $K$  is an ellipsoid centered at the origin.*

One of the most important affine isoperimetric inequalities is the Blaschke-Santaló inequality, that is,

$$V(K)V(K^*) \leq \omega_n^2, \quad (1.6)$$

with equality if and only if  $K$  is an ellipsoid.

Here the polar of a convex body  $K$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is defined by

$$K^* = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x \cdot y \leq 1 \forall y \in K\}, \quad (1.7)$$

where  $x \cdot y$  denotes the standard inner product of  $x$  and  $y$ .

In [8], Lutwak and Zhang generalized this result and get the following theorem.

**THEOREM 1.3.** *If  $K$  is a star body (about the origin) in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,*

$$V(K)V(\Gamma_p^*K) \leq \omega_n^2, \quad (1.8)$$

*with equality if and only if  $K$  is an ellipsoid centered at the origin.*

Obviously, let  $p \rightarrow \infty$ , one can just get the Blaschke-Santaló inequality. Note that we use  $\Gamma_p^*K$  rather than  $(\Gamma_p K)^*$  to denote the polar of  $\Gamma_p K$ .

In this paper, we establish the weak dual analog of Theorem 1.3 for  $\Gamma_{-p}K$  and get the following inequality.

**THEOREM 1.4.** *If  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\Gamma_{-p}^*K$  is an ellipsoid, then for  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$V(K)V(\Gamma_{-p}^*K) \geq \omega_n^2, \quad (1.9)$$

*with equality if and only if  $K$  is a centered ellipsoid.*

Here we use  $\Gamma_{-p}^*K$  to denote the polar of  $\Gamma_{-p}K$  and a centered ellipsoid is the ellipsoid whose symmetric center is the origin.

*Note.* The general inequality with the form of Theorem 1.4 does not exist since we can get a contradiction to the Blaschke-Santaló inequality if  $p \rightarrow \infty$ .

Finally, we establish the following Brunn-Minkowski-type inequality for the polar of  $\Gamma_{-p}K$ . Here  $\dot{+}_p$  denote the  $p$ -Blaschke sum.

**THEOREM 1.5.** *If  $K$  and  $L$  are centered convex bodies in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then for  $p > 1$  and  $n \neq p$ ,*

$$V(K\dot{+}_pL)V(\Gamma_{-p}^*(K\dot{+}_pL))^{p/n} \geq V(K)V(\Gamma_{-p}^*K)^{p/n} + V(L)V(\Gamma_{-p}^*L)^{p/n}. \quad (1.10)$$

*and the equality holds if and only if  $V(K)\Gamma_{-p}^*K$  and  $V(L)\Gamma_{-p}^*L$  are dilates, that is,*

$$V(K)\Gamma_{-p}^*K = rV(L)\Gamma_{-p}^*L \quad \text{for some } r > 0. \quad (1.11)$$

Let  $\Pi_p K$  denote the  $p$ -projection of  $K$ . Theorem 1.5 is equivalent to the following.

**THEOREM 1.6.** *If  $K$  and  $L$  are centered convex bodies in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then for  $p > 1$  and  $n \neq p$ ,*

$$V(\Pi_p(K\dot{+}_pL))^{p/n} \geq V(\Pi_p K)^{p/n} + V(\Pi_p L)^{p/n}, \quad (1.12)$$

*and the equality holds if and only if  $\Pi_p K$  and  $\Pi_p L$  are dilates.*

## 2. Mixed and dual mixed volumes and the operator $\Gamma_{-p}$

For quick reference, we recall some basic properties regarding the  $L_p$ -mixed volume and its dual theory, and some properties of the operator  $\Gamma_{-p}$  also being established by different method from [7]. For general reference of convex body and mixed volume, the reader may wish to consult Gardner [3], Schneider [9] and Thompson [10].

If  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then its support function  $h_K(\cdot) : S^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$h_K(u) = \max\{u \cdot x : x \in K\}. \quad (2.1)$$

The radial function,  $\rho_K(\cdot) : \mathbb{R} - \{0\} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ , of a compact, star-shaped (about the origin)  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , is defined, for  $x \neq 0$ , by

$$\rho_K(x) = \max\{\lambda \geq 0 : \lambda x \in K\}. \quad (2.2)$$

If  $\rho_K$  is positive and continuous, then we call  $K$  a star body (about the origin).

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It follows from the definitions of support and radial functions, and the definition of polar body, that

$$h_{K^*} = \frac{1}{\rho_K}, \quad \rho_{K^*} = \frac{1}{h_K}. \quad (2.3)$$

For  $p \geq 1$ , convex bodies  $K, L$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the Firey  $L_p$ -combination  $K +_p \varepsilon \cdot L$  is defined as the convex body whose support function is given by

$$h_{K+_p\varepsilon\cdot L}^p(\cdot) = h_K^p(\cdot) + \varepsilon h_L^p(\cdot). \quad (2.4)$$

Firey combinations of convex bodies were defined and studied by Firey [2] (who called them  $p$ -means of convex bodies).

For  $p \geq 1$ , the  $L_p$ -mixed volume,  $V_p(K, L)$ , of the convex bodies  $K, L$  can be defined by

$$\frac{n}{p} V_p(K, L) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{V(K +_p \varepsilon \cdot L) - V(K)}{\varepsilon}. \quad (2.5)$$

That this limit exists was demonstrated in [4].

It was shown in [4] that corresponding to each convex body  $K$  containing the origin in its interior in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , there is a positive Borel measure,  $S_p(K, \cdot)$ , on  $S^{n-1}$  such that

$$V_p(K, Q) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h_Q^p(u) dS_p(K, u), \quad (2.6)$$

for each convex body  $Q$ . The measure  $S_1(K, \cdot)$  is just the classical surface area measure of  $K$  and usually denoted by  $S(K, \cdot)$  or  $S_K$ .

In [4], a solution to the even  $L_p$ -Minkowski problem in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  was given for all  $p \geq 1$ , except for  $p = n - 1$ . From this, the  $p$ -Blaschke addition was defined in [4]. For centered convex bodies  $K$  and  $L$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $n \neq p \geq 1$ , define  $K \dot{+}_p L$ ,  $p$ -Blaschke sum of  $K$  and  $L$ , by

$$S_p(K \dot{+}_p L) = S_p(K, \cdot) + S_p(L, \cdot). \quad (2.7)$$

For the  $L_p$ -mixed volume  $V_p$ , it has been shown in [5] that

$$V_p(\phi K, L) = V_p(K, \phi^{-1}L), \quad (2.8)$$

where  $\phi \in \text{SL}(n)$  and  $K, L$  are convex bodies.

If  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that contained the origin in its interior and  $p > 0$ , then the dual  $p$ -centroid body of  $K$ ,  $\Gamma_{-p}K$ , is defined as the body whose radial function, for  $u \in S^{n-1}$ , is given by

$$\rho_{\Gamma_{-p}K}(u)^{-p} = \frac{1}{nc_{n-2,p} V(K)} \int_{S^{n-1}} |u \cdot v|^p dS_p(K, v). \quad (2.9)$$

For  $p \geq 1$  the body  $\Gamma_{-p}K$  is a convex body. Note that our definition of  $\Gamma_{-p}K$  is different from the definition given by Lutwak et al. in [7]. That is for  $K = B$ , we have

$$\Gamma_{-p}B = B. \quad (2.10)$$

For each compact star-shaped about the origin  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u \in S^{n-1}$ , and  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , the  $L_p$ -centroid body of  $K$ , which is dual to  $\Gamma_{-p}K$ , is defined in [8] by

$$h_{\Gamma_p K}^p(u) = \frac{1}{c_{n,p}V(K)} \int_K |u \cdot x|^p dx. \quad (2.11)$$

It has been known that in [5], for  $\phi \in \text{SL}(n)$ ,

$$\Gamma_p \phi K = \phi \Gamma_p K. \quad (2.12)$$

For star bodies  $K, L$ , and  $p \geq 1$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the  $L_p$ -harmonic radial combination  $K +_{-p} \varepsilon \cdot L$  is defined as the star body whose radial function is given by

$$\rho_{K +_{-p} \varepsilon \cdot L}^{-p}(\cdot) = \rho_K^{-p}(\cdot) + \varepsilon \rho_L^{-p}(\cdot). \quad (2.13)$$

The dual mixed volume  $V_{-p}(K, L)$  of the star bodies  $K, L$  can be defined by

$$-\frac{n}{p} V_{-p}(K, L) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{V(K +_{-p} \varepsilon \cdot L) - V(K)}{\varepsilon}. \quad (2.14)$$

The definition above and the polar coordinate formula for volume give the following integral representation of the dual mixed volume  $V_{-p}(K, L)$  of the star bodies  $K, L$ :

$$V_{-p}(K, L) = \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho_K^{n+p}(v) \rho_L^{-p}(v) dS(v), \quad (2.15)$$

where the integration is with respect to spherical Lebesgue measure  $S$  on  $S^{n-1}$ .

For the  $L_{-p}$ -mixed volume  $V_{-p}$ , it has been shown in [5] that

$$V_{-p}(\phi K, L) = V_{-p}(K, \phi^{-1}L), \quad (2.16)$$

where  $\phi \in \text{SL}(n)$  and  $K, L$  are star bodies.

A connection between the operators  $\Gamma_p$  and  $\Gamma_{-p}$  is given in the following identity.

**LEMMA 2.1.** *Suppose  $K, L \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $K$  is a convex body that contains the origin in its interior and  $L$  is a star body about the origin, then*

$$\frac{V_p(L, \Gamma_p K)}{V(L)} = \frac{V_{-p}(K, \Gamma_{-p} L)}{V(K)}. \quad (2.17)$$

*Proof.* From the integral representation (2.6), definition (2.11), Fubini's theorem, definition (2.9), the integral representation (2.15), and the property of  $\Gamma$ -function, it follows

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that

$$\begin{aligned}
& V_p(L, \Gamma_p K) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h_{\Gamma_p K}^p(u) dS_p(L, u) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \frac{1}{c_{n,p} V(K)} \int_K |u \cdot x|^p dx dS_p(L, u) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} \frac{1}{(n+p)c_{n,p} V(K)} \int_{S^{n-1}} |u \cdot v|^p \rho_K^{n+p}(v) dS(v) dS_p(L, u) \\
&= \frac{c_{n-2,p} V(L)}{(n+p)c_{n,p} V(K)} \int_{S^{n-1}} \frac{1}{nc_{n-2,p} V(L)} \int_{S^{n-1}} |u \cdot v|^p dS_p(L, u) \rho_K^{n+p}(v) dS(v) \quad (2.18) \\
&= \frac{c_{n-2,p} V(L)}{(n+p)c_{n,p} V(K)} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho_{\Gamma_{-p} L}^{-p}(v) \rho_K^{n+p}(v) dS(v) \\
&= \frac{nc_{n-2,p} V(L)}{(n+p)c_{n,p} V(K)} V_{-p}(K, \Gamma_{-p} L) \\
&= \frac{V(L)}{V(K)} V_{-p}(K, \Gamma_{-p} L).
\end{aligned}$$

□

A connection between the operators  $\Gamma_2$  and  $\Gamma_{-2}$ , which is similar to the above lemma, has been established in [6].

From the above lemma, we can get the following proposition which has been obtained in [7] by different method.

**PROPOSITION 2.2.** *If  $p > 0$  and  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that contains the origin in its interior, then for  $\phi \in \text{GL}(n)$ ,*

$$\Gamma_{-p} \phi K = \phi \Gamma_{-p} K. \quad (2.19)$$

*Proof.* From Lemma 2.1, (2.8), (2.12), Lemma 2.1 again, and (2.16), we have for each star body  $Q$  and  $\phi \in \text{SL}(n)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{V_{-p}(Q, \Gamma_{-p} \phi K)}{V(Q)} &= \frac{V_p(\phi K, \Gamma_p Q)}{V(\phi K)} = \frac{V_p(K, \phi^{-1} \Gamma_p Q)}{V(K)} \\
&= \frac{V_p(K, \Gamma_p \phi^{-1} Q)}{V(K)} = \frac{V_{-p}(\phi^{-1} Q, \Gamma_{-p} K)}{V(\phi^{-1} Q)} \quad (2.20) \\
&= \frac{V_{-p}(Q, \phi \Gamma_{-p} K)}{V(Q)}.
\end{aligned}$$

But  $V_{-p}(Q, \Gamma_{-p}\phi K)/V(Q) = V_{-p}(Q, \phi\Gamma_{-p}K)/V(Q)$  for all star bodies  $Q$  implies that

$$\Gamma_{-p}\phi K = \phi\Gamma_{-p}K. \quad (2.21)$$

Combing with the fact (from the definition of  $\Gamma_{-p}K$ )

$$\Gamma_{-p}\lambda K = \lambda\Gamma_{-p}K \quad \text{for } \lambda > 0, \quad (2.22)$$

we can get the conclusion.  $\square$

For each convex body  $K$ , in [5] the support function of  $L_p$ -projection body  $\Pi_p K$  is defined by

$$h_{\Pi_p K}^p(u) = \frac{1}{n\omega_n c_{n-2,p}} \int_{S^{n-1}} |u \cdot v|^p dS_p(K, v). \quad (2.23)$$

From the above definitions (2.3) and (2.9), we can get the following.

**PROPOSITION 2.3.** *Suppose  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a convex body that contains the origin in its interior, then*

$$\Pi_p K = \left( \frac{V(K)}{\omega_n} \right)^{1/p} \Gamma_{-p}^* K. \quad (2.24)$$

The following proposition given in [5] will be used as a lemma.

**LEMMA 2.4.** *If  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then for  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$V(K)^{(n-p)/p} V(\Pi_p^* K) \leq \omega_n^{n/p}, \quad (2.25)$$

*with equality if and only if  $K$  is an ellipsoid centered at the origin.*

*Proof of Theorem 1.1.* From (2.3), Proposition 2.3, and Lemma 2.4, we have

$$V(K)^{(n-p)/p} V\left(\left(\frac{\omega_n}{V(K)}\right)^{1/p} \Gamma_{-p} K\right) \leq \omega_n^{n/p}. \quad (2.26)$$

By the volume formula of convex body,

$$V(K)^{(n-p)/p} \left(\frac{\omega_n}{V(K)}\right)^{n/p} V(\Gamma_{-p} K) \leq \omega_n^{n/p}, \quad (2.27)$$

that is,

$$V(\Gamma_{-p} K) \leq V(K), \quad (2.28)$$

with equality if and only if  $K$  is an ellipsoid centered at the origin.  $\square$

### 3. Mixed volume inequalities and the operator $\Gamma_{-p}^*$

We will require some basic inequalities regarding the  $L_p$ -mixed volumes  $V_p$  and the dual mixed volume  $V_{-p}$ . The  $L_p$  analog of the classical Minkowski inequality states that for convex bodies  $K, L$ ,

$$V_p(K, L) \geq V(K)^{(n-p)/n} V(L)^{p/n}, \quad (3.1)$$

with equality if and only if  $K$  and  $L$  are dilates. The  $L_p$ -Minkowski inequality was established in [4] by using the Minkowski inequality. The basic inequality for dual mixed volume  $V_{-p}$  is that for star bodies  $K, L$ ,

$$V_{-p}(K, L) \geq V(K)^{(n+p)/n} V(L)^{-p/n}, \quad (3.2)$$

with equality if and only if  $K$  and  $L$  are dilates. This inequality is an immediate consequence of the Hölder inequality and the integral representation (2.15).

LEMMA 3.1. *If  $K$  and  $Q$  are convex bodies in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $p \geq 1$ , then*

$$\frac{V_p(K, \Gamma_{-p}^* Q)}{V(K)} = \frac{V_p(Q, \Gamma_{-p}^* K)}{V(Q)}. \quad (3.3)$$

*Proof.* From the integral representation (2.3), (2.6), and (2.9), we have for  $p \geq 1$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{V_p(K, \Gamma_{-p}^* Q)}{V(K)} &= \frac{1}{nV(K)} \int_{S^{n-1}} h_{\Gamma_{-p}^* Q}^p(u) dS_p(K, u) \\ &= \frac{1}{nV(K)} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho_{\Gamma_{-p}^* Q}^{-p}(u) dS_p(K, u) \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2 c_{n-2,p} V(K) V(Q)} \iint_{S^{n-1}} |u \cdot v|^p dS_p(Q, v) dS_p(K, u) \\ &= \frac{1}{nV(Q)} \int_{S^{n-1}} \rho_{\Gamma_{-p}^* K}^{-p}(v) dS_p(Q, v) \\ &= \frac{V_p(Q, \Gamma_{-p}^* K)}{V(Q)}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

The dual analog of the above equality has been established in [5].  $\square$

LEMMA 3.2. *If  $p \geq 1$  and  $K$  is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then*

$$V(\Gamma_{-p}^* \Gamma_{-p}^* K) \leq V(K), \quad (3.5)$$

*with equality if and only if  $K$  and  $\Gamma_{-p}^* \Gamma_{-p}^* K$  are dilates.*

*Proof.* In Lemma 3.1, let  $Q = \Gamma_{-p}^* K$ , then we get

$$\frac{V_p(K, \Gamma_{-p}^* \Gamma_{-p}^* K)}{V(K)} = \frac{V_p(\Gamma_{-p}^* K, \Gamma_{-p}^* K)}{V(\Gamma_{-p}^* K)}. \quad (3.6)$$



Note that  $V_p(\Gamma_{-p}^*K, \Gamma_{-p}^*K) = V_p(\Gamma_{-p}^*K)$ , so

$$V(K) = V_p(K, \Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K). \quad (3.7)$$

By (3.1), we have

$$V_p(K, \Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K) \geq V(K)^{(n-p)/n} V^{p/n}(\Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K), \quad (3.8)$$

with equality if and only if  $K$  and  $\Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K$  are dilates.

That is

$$V(\Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K) \leq V(K), \quad (3.9)$$

with equality if and only if  $K$  and  $\Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K$  are dilates.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.4.* Because that  $\Gamma_{-p}^*K$  is an ellipsoid, there exist  $\phi \in GL(n)$  such that  $\Gamma_{-p}^*K = \phi B$ . By Proposition 2.2 and the definition of  $\Gamma_{-p}K$ , it follows that

$$\Gamma_{-p}(\Gamma_{-p}^*K) = \Gamma_{-p}(\phi B) = \phi \Gamma_{-p}(B) = \phi B = \Gamma_{-p}^*K. \quad (3.10)$$

Thus

$$\Gamma_{-p}^*(\Gamma_{-p}^*K) = (\Gamma_{-p}^*K)^*. \quad (3.11)$$

With the fact that the product of the volumes of centered polar reciprocal ellipsoid is  $\omega_n^2$ , we get

$$V(\Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K) = V((\Gamma_{-p}^*K)^*) = \frac{\omega_n^2}{V(\Gamma_{-p}^*K)}. \quad (3.12)$$

By Lemma 3.2, we prove the inequality

$$V(K)V(\Gamma_{-p}^*K) \geq \omega_n^2. \quad (3.13)$$

From the equality condition of Lemma 3.2, it follows that  $K$  and  $\Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K$  are dilates. But  $\Gamma_{-p}^*\Gamma_{-p}^*K = (\Gamma_{-p}^*K)^*$  is a centered ellipsoid. Hence, in Theorem 1.4, the equality implies that  $K$  is a centered ellipsoid.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.1. Second method.* In Lemma 2.1, let  $K = \Gamma_{-p}L$ , and note that  $V_{-p}(K, K) = V(K)$ , then we can get

$$V(L) = V_p(L, \Gamma_p\Gamma_{-p}L). \quad (3.14)$$

By (2.23), we get

$$V(L) = V_p(L, \Gamma_p\Gamma_{-p}L) \geq V(L)^{(n-p)/n} V(\Gamma_p\Gamma_{-p}L)^{p/n}. \quad (3.15)$$

In Theorem 1.2, let  $K = \Gamma_{-p}L$ , then we get

$$V(L) \geq V(L)^{(n-p)/n} V(\Gamma_p\Gamma_{-p}L)^{p/n} \geq V(L)^{(n-p)/n} V(\Gamma_{-p}L)^{p/n}, \quad (3.16)$$

that is

$$V(L) \geq V(\Gamma_{-p}L). \quad (3.17)$$

□

*Proof of Theorem 1.6.* First, we established the following inequality for centered convex bodies  $K, L$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$V(\Pi_p(K \dot{+}_p L))^{p/n} \geq V(\Pi_p K)^{p/n} + V(\Pi_p L)^{p/n}. \quad (3.18)$$

From (2.6), (2.23), (3.1), and the definition of  $p$ -Blaschke addition, we have for  $n \neq p > 1$ , and any convex body  $Q$

$$\begin{aligned} V_p(Q, \Pi_p(K \dot{+}_p L)) &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h_{\Pi_p(K \dot{+}_p L)}^p(u) dS_p(Q, u) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h_{\Pi_p K}^p(u) dS_p(Q, u) + \frac{1}{n} \int_{S^{n-1}} h_{\Pi_p L}^p(u) dS_p(Q, u) \\ &= V_p(Q, \Pi_p K) + V_p(Q, \Pi_p L) \\ &\geq V(Q)^{(n-p)/n} V(\Pi_p K)^{p/n} + V(Q)^{(n-p)/n} V(\Pi_p L)^{p/n} \\ &= V(Q)^{(n-p)/n} (V(\Pi_p K)^{p/n} + V(\Pi_p L)^{p/n}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

Let  $Q = \Pi_p(K \dot{+}_p L)$  in the above inequality, then we get

$$V(\Pi_p(K \dot{+}_p L))^{p/n} \geq V(\Pi_p K)^{p/n} + V(\Pi_p L)^{p/n}, \quad (3.20)$$

with equality if and only if  $\Pi_p K$  and  $\Pi_p L$  are dilates.

By Proposition 2.3 and (3.20), we can get Theorem 1.5 immediately. □

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