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**Complex Brunn-Minkowski theorems**

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The classical Brunn-Minkowski theorem is an inequality for volumes of convex bodies. It says that if  $A$  and  $B$  are convex bodies in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  then their Minkowski sum

$$A + B := \{a + b; a \in A, b \in B\}$$

satisfies the inequality

$$\text{Vol}(A + B)^{1/n} \geq \text{Vol}(A)^{1/n} + \text{Vol}(B)^{1/n}.$$

It has many applications and is particularly powerful since in some ways it goes in the opposite direction to simpler convexity statements like Hölder's inequality.

Its complex counterpart is a similar statement for  $L^2$ -norms of holomorphic functions (or forms, or sections of line bundles) on domains in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  or complex manifolds. The complex version contains the real version as a special case, but is considerably more general. I will explain how this works and, time permitting, also indicate a few applications in algebraic and Kähler geometry.

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