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# Trace Inequalities of Lipschitz Type for Power Series of Operators on Hilbert Spaces

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Abstract: Let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n z^n$  be a function defined by power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk  $D(0,R) \subset \mathbb{C}$ , R > 0. We show, amongst other that, if  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ , the Banach space of all trace operators on H, are such that  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$ , then  $f(V), f(T), f'((1-t)T+tV) \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  for any  $t \in [0,1]$  and

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[f(V)\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[f(T)\right] = \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}\left[(V - T)f'\left((1 - t)T + tV\right)\right] \, \mathrm{d}t.$$

Several trace inequalities are established. Applications for some elementary functions of interest are also given.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathcal{B}(H)$  be the Banach algebra of bounded linear operators on a separable complex Hilbert space H. The absolute value of an operator A is the positive operator |A| defined as  $|A| := (A^*A)^{1/2}$ .

It is known that [4] in the infinite-dimensional case the map f(A) := |A| is not Lipschitz continuous on  $\mathcal{B}(H)$  with the usual operator norm, i.e., there is no constant L > 0 such that

$$|| |A| - |B| || \le L ||A - B||$$

for any  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ .

However, as shown by Farforovskaya in [17], [18] and Kato in [22], the following inequality holds

$$||A| - |B|| \le \frac{2}{\pi} ||A - B|| \left(2 + \log\left(\frac{||A|| + ||B||}{||A - B||}\right)\right)$$
 (1.1)

for any  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  with  $A \neq B$ .

If the operator norm is replaced with Hilbert-Schmidt norm  $\|C\|_{HS} := (\operatorname{tr} C^*C)^{1/2}$  of an operator C, then the following inequality is true [2]

$$||A| - |B||_{HS} \le \sqrt{2} ||A - B||_{HS}$$
 (1.2)

for any  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ .

The coefficient  $\sqrt{2}$  is best possible for a general A and B. If A and B are restricted to be selfadjoint, then the best coefficient is 1.

It has been shown in [4] that, if A is an invertible operator, then for all operators B in a neighborhood of A we have

$$||A| - |B|| \le a_1 ||A - B|| + a_2 ||A - B||^2 + O(||A - B||^3)$$
 (1.3)

where

$$a_1 = ||A^{-1}|| ||A||$$
 and  $a_2 = ||A^{-1}|| + ||A^{-1}||^3 ||A||^2$ .

In [3] the author also obtained the following Lipschitz type inequality

$$||f(A) - f(B)|| \le f'(a) ||A - B|| \tag{1.4}$$

where f is an operator monotone function on  $(0, \infty)$  and  $A, B \ge aI_H > 0$ . One of the central problems in perturbation theory is to find bounds for

$$|| f(A) - f(B) ||$$

in terms of ||A - B|| for different classes of measurable functions f for which the function of operator can be defined. For some results on this topic, see [5], [19] and the references therein.

By the help of power series  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  we can naturally construct another power series which will have as coefficients the absolute values of the coefficient of the original series, namely,  $f_a(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n$ . It is obvious that this new power series will have the same radius of convergence as the original series. We also notice that if all coefficients  $a_n \geq 0$ , then  $f_a = f$ .

We notice that if

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n} z^n = \ln \frac{1}{1+z}, \quad z \in D(0,1);$$

$$g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n)!} z^{2n} = \cos z, \qquad z \in \mathbb{C};$$

$$h(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1} = \sin z, \quad z \in \mathbb{C};$$

$$l(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^n = \frac{1}{1+z}, \qquad z \in D(0,1);$$

$$(1.5)$$

where D(0,1) is the open disk centered in 0 and of radius 1, then the corresponding functions constructed by the use of the absolute values of the coefficients are

$$f_{a}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^{n} = \ln \frac{1}{1-z}, \qquad z \in D(0,1);$$

$$g_{a}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} z^{2n} = \cosh z, \qquad z \in \mathbb{C};$$

$$h_{a}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} z^{2n+1} = \sinh z, \qquad z \in \mathbb{C};$$

$$l_{a}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^{n} = \frac{1}{1-z}, \qquad z \in D(0,1).$$

$$(1.6)$$

Other important examples of functions as power series representations with nonnegative coefficients are:

$$\exp(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^{n}, \qquad z \in \mathbb{C};$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1+z}{1-z}\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \qquad z \in D(0,1);$$

$$\sin^{-1}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}(2n+1)n!} z^{2n+1}, \qquad z \in D(0,1);$$

$$\tanh^{-1}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} z^{2n-1}, \qquad z \in D(0,1);$$

$${}_{2}F_{1}(\alpha,\beta,\gamma,z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha)\Gamma(n+\beta)\Gamma\gamma}{n!\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(n+\gamma)} z^{n}, \qquad \alpha,\beta,\gamma > 0, \quad z \in D(0,1);$$

where  $\Gamma$  is Gamma function.

We recall the following result that provides a quasi-Lipschitzian condition for functions defined by power series and operator norm  $\|\cdot\|$  [14]:

THEOREM 1. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0,R), R > 0. If  $T,V \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  are such that ||T||, ||V|| < R, then

$$||f(T) - f(V)|| \le f_a' (\max\{||T||, ||V||\}) ||T - V||.$$
 (1.8)

If  $||T||, ||V|| \le M < R$ , then from (1.8) we have the simpler inequality

$$||f(T) - f(V)|| \le f_a'(M) ||T - V|| \tag{1.9}$$

In the recent paper [13] we improved the inequality (1.8) as follows:

THEOREM 2. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0,R), R > 0. If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  are such that ||T||, ||V|| < R, then

$$||f(T) - f(V)|| \le ||T - V|| \int_0^1 f_a'(||(1 - t)T + tV||) dt.$$
 (1.10)

In order to obtain similar results for the trace of bounded linear operators on complex infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces we need some preparations as follows.

#### 2. Some preliminary facts on trace for operators

Let  $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be a complex Hilbert space and  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$  an orthonormal basis of H. We say that  $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator if

$$\sum_{i \in I} \|Ae_i\|^2 < \infty. \tag{2.1}$$

It is well know that, if  $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$  and  $\{f_j\}_{j\in J}$  are orthonormal bases for H and  $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  then

$$\sum_{i \in I} ||Ae_i||^2 = \sum_{j \in I} ||Af_j||^2 = \sum_{j \in I} ||A^*f_j||^2$$
(2.2)

showing that the definition (2.1) is independent of the orthonormal basis and A is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator iff  $A^*$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator.

Let  $\mathcal{B}_2(H)$  the set of Hilbert-Schmidt operators in  $\mathcal{B}(H)$ . For  $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  we define

$$||A||_2 := \left(\sum_{i \in I} ||Ae_i||^2\right)^{1/2} \tag{2.3}$$

for  $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$  an orthonormal basis of H. This definition does not depend on the choice of the orthonormal basis.

Using the triangle inequality in  $l^2(I)$ , one checks that  $\mathcal{B}_2(H)$  is a vector space and that  $\|\cdot\|_2$  is a norm on  $\mathcal{B}_2(H)$ , which is usually called in the literature as the *Hilbert-Schmidt norm*.

Denote the modulus of an operator  $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  by  $|A| := (A^*A)^{1/2}$ .

Because ||A|x|| = ||Ax|| for all  $x \in H$ , A is Hilbert-Schmidt iff |A| is Hilbert-Schmidt and  $||A||_2 = |||A|||_2$ . From (2.2) we have that if  $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ , then  $A^* \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  and  $||A||_2 = ||A^*||_2$ .

The following theorem collects some of the most important properties of Hilbert-Schmidt operators:

THEOREM 3. We have:

(i)  $(\mathcal{B}_2(H), \|\cdot\|_2)$  is a Hilbert space with inner product

$$\langle A, B \rangle_2 := \sum_{i \in I} \langle Ae_i, Be_i \rangle = \sum_{i \in I} \langle B^* Ae_i, e_i \rangle$$
 (2.4)

and the definition does not depend on the choice of the orthonormal basis  $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$ ;

(ii) we have the inequalities

$$||A|| \le ||A||_2 \tag{2.5}$$

for any  $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  and

$$||AT||_2, ||TA||_2 \le ||T|| ||A||_2$$
 (2.6)

for any  $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  and  $T \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ ;

(iii)  $\mathcal{B}_2(H)$  is an operator ideal in  $\mathcal{B}(H)$ , i.e.,

$$\mathcal{B}(H)\mathcal{B}_2(H)\mathcal{B}(H) \subseteq \mathcal{B}_2(H)$$
;

- (iv)  $\mathcal{B}_{fin}(H)$ , the space of operators of finite rank, is a dense subspace of  $\mathcal{B}_2(H)$ ;
- (v)  $\mathcal{B}_2(H) \subseteq \mathcal{K}(H)$ , where  $\mathcal{K}(H)$  denotes the algebra of compact operators on H.

If  $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$  an orthonormal basis of H, we say that  $A\in\mathcal{B}(H)$  is trace class if

$$||A||_1 := \sum_{i \in I} \langle |A| e_i, e_i \rangle < \infty.$$
 (2.7)

The definition of  $||A||_1$  does not depend on the choice of the orthonormal basis  $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)$  the set of trace class operators in  $\mathcal{B}(H)$ .

The following proposition holds:

PROPOSITION 1. If  $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ , then the following are equivalent:

- (i)  $A \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ ;
- (ii)  $|A|^{1/2} \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ ;
- (iii) A (or |A|) is the product of two elements of  $\mathcal{B}_2(H)$ .

The following properties are also well known:

Theorem 4. With the above notations:

(i) We have

$$||A||_1 = ||A^*||_1$$
 and  $||A||_2 \le ||A||_1$  (2.8)

for any  $A \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ .

(ii)  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)$  is an operator ideal in  $\mathcal{B}(H)$ , i.e.,

$$\mathcal{B}(H)\mathcal{B}_1(H)\mathcal{B}(H) \subseteq \mathcal{B}_1(H)$$
.

- (iii) We have  $\mathcal{B}_2(H)\mathcal{B}_2(H) = \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ .
- (iv) We have

$$||A||_1 = \sup \{ |\langle A, B \rangle_2| : B \in \mathcal{B}_2(H), ||B|| \le 1 \}.$$

- (v)  $(\mathcal{B}_1(H), \|\cdot\|_1)$  is a Banach space.
- (vi) We have the following isometric isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{B}_1(H) \cong K(H)^*$$
 and  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)^* \cong \mathcal{B}(H)$ ,

where  $K(H)^*$  is the dual space of K(H) and  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)^*$  is the dual space of  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)$ .

We define the trace of a trace class operator  $A \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  to be

$$\operatorname{tr}(A) := \sum_{i \in I} \langle Ae_i, e_i \rangle, \qquad (2.9)$$

where  $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$  an orthonormal basis of H. Note that this coincides with the usual definition of the trace if H is finite-dimensional. We observe that the series (2.9) converges absolutely and it is independent from the choice of basis.

The following result collects some properties of the trace:

THEOREM 5. We have:

(i) if  $A \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  then  $A^* \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  and

$$\operatorname{tr}(A^*) = \overline{\operatorname{tr}(A)}; \qquad (2.10)$$

(ii) if  $A \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  and  $T \in \mathcal{B}(H)$ , then  $AT, TA \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  and

$$tr(AT) = tr(TA)$$
 and  $|tr(AT)| \le ||A||_1 ||T||$ ; (2.11)

- (iii)  $\operatorname{tr}(\cdot)$  is a bounded linear functional on  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $\|\operatorname{tr}\| = 1$ ;
- (iv) if  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  then  $AB, BA \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  and  $\operatorname{tr}(AB) = \operatorname{tr}(BA)$ ;
- (v)  $\mathcal{B}_{fin}(H)$  is a dense subspace of  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)$ .

Utilising the trace notation we obviously have that

$$\langle A, B \rangle_2 = \operatorname{tr}(B^*A) = \operatorname{tr}(AB^*),$$
  
 $\|A\|_2^2 = \operatorname{tr}(A^*A) = \operatorname{tr}(|A|^2)$ 

for any  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ .

The following Hölder's type inequality has been obtained by Ruskai in [28]

$$|\operatorname{tr}(AB)| \le \operatorname{tr}(|AB|) \le \left[\operatorname{tr}\left(|A|^{1/\alpha}\right)\right]^{\alpha} \left[\operatorname{tr}\left(|B|^{1/(1-\alpha)}\right)\right]^{1-\alpha}$$
 (2.12)

where  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  and  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  with  $|A|^{1/\alpha}, |B|^{1/(1-\alpha)} \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ . In particular, for  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$  we get the Schwarz inequality

$$|\operatorname{tr}(AB)| \le \operatorname{tr}(|AB|) \le \left[\operatorname{tr}(|A|^2)\right]^{1/2} \left[\operatorname{tr}(|B|^2)\right]^{1/2}$$
 (2.13)

with  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ .

If  $A \geq 0$  and  $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $P \geq 0$ , then

$$0 \le \operatorname{tr}(PA) \le ||A|| \operatorname{tr}(P)$$
. (2.14)

Indeed, since  $A \geq 0$ , then  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq 0$  for any  $x \in H$ . If  $\{e_i\}_{i \in I}$  is an orthonormal basis of H, then

$$0 \le \left\langle AP^{1/2}e_i, P^{1/2}e_i \right\rangle \le \|A\| \left\| P^{1/2}e_i \right\|^2 = \|A\| \left\langle Pe_i, e_i \right\rangle$$

for any  $i \in I$ . Summing over  $i \in I$  we get

$$0 \le \sum_{i \in I} \left\langle A P^{1/2} e_i, P^{1/2} e_i \right\rangle \le \|A\| \sum_{i \in I} \left\langle P e_i, e_i \right\rangle = \|A\| \operatorname{tr}(P),$$

and since

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i \in I} \left\langle A P^{1/2} e_i, P^{1/2} e_i \right\rangle &= \sum_{i \in I} \left\langle P^{1/2} A P^{1/2} e_i, e_i \right\rangle \\ &= \operatorname{tr} \left( P^{1/2} A P^{1/2} \right) \, = \, \operatorname{tr} (PA) \,, \end{split}$$

we obtain the desired result (2.14).

This obviously imply the fact that, if A and B are selfadjoint operators with  $A \leq B$  and  $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $P \geq 0$ , then

$$\operatorname{tr}(PA) \le \operatorname{tr}(PB). \tag{2.15}$$

Now, if A is a selfadjoint operator, then we know that

$$|\langle Ax, x \rangle| \le \langle |A| x, x \rangle$$
 for any  $x \in H$ .

This inequality follows from Jensen's inequality for the convex function f(t) = |t| defined on a closed interval containing the spectrum of A.

If  $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$  is an orthonormal basis of H, then

$$|\operatorname{tr}(PA)| = \left| \sum_{i \in I} \left\langle AP^{1/2} e_i, P^{1/2} e_i \right\rangle \right| \le \sum_{i \in I} \left| \left\langle AP^{1/2} e_i, P^{1/2} e_i \right\rangle \right|$$

$$\le \sum_{i \in I} \left\langle |A| P^{1/2} e_i, P^{1/2} e_i \right\rangle = \operatorname{tr}(P|A|), \qquad (2.16)$$

for any A a selfadjoint operator and  $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $P \geq 0$ .

For the theory of trace functionals and their applications the reader is referred to [31].

For some classical trace inequalities see [9], [11], [26] and [35], which are continuations of the work of Bellman [7]. For related works the reader can refer to [1], [8], [9], [20], [23], [24], [25], [29] and [32].

#### 3. Trace inequalities

We have the following representation result:

THEOREM 6. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0,R), R > 0. If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  are such that  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|), \operatorname{tr}(|V|) < R$ , then  $f(V), f(T), f'((1-t)T+tV) \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  for any  $t \in [0,1]$  and

$$\operatorname{tr}[f(V)] - \operatorname{tr}[f(T)] = \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}[(V - T)f'((1 - t)T + tV)] dt.$$
 (3.1)

*Proof.* We use the identity (see for instance [6, p. 254])

$$A^{n} - B^{n} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} A^{n-1-j} (A - B) B^{j}$$
(3.2)

that holds for any  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  and  $n \geq 1$ .

For  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  we consider the function  $\varphi : [0,1] \to \mathcal{B}(H)$  defined by  $\varphi(t) = [(1-t)T + tV]^n$ . For  $t \in (0,1)$  and  $\varepsilon \neq 0$  with  $t + \varepsilon \in (0,1)$  we have from (3.2) that

$$\begin{split} \varphi(t+\varepsilon) - \varphi(t) &= \left[ (1-t-\varepsilon)T + (t+\varepsilon)V \right]^n - \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^n \\ &= \varepsilon \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \left[ (1-t-\varepsilon)T + (t+\varepsilon)V \right]^{n-1-j} \left( V - T \right) \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^j. \end{split}$$

Dividing with  $\varepsilon \neq 0$  and taking the limit over  $\varepsilon \to 0$  we have in the norm topology of  $\mathcal{B}$  that

$$\varphi'(t) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left[ \varphi(t + \varepsilon) - \varphi(t) \right]$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \left[ (1 - t)T + tV \right]^{n-1-j} (V - T) \left[ (1 - t)T + tV \right]^{j}.$$
(3.3)

Integrating on [0,1] we get from (3.3) that

$$\int_0^1 \varphi'(t) dt = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \int_0^1 \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{n-1-j} (V-T) \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^j dt,$$

and since

$$\int_0^1 \varphi'(t) dt = \varphi(1) - \varphi(0) = V^n - T^n,$$

then we get the following equality of interest in itself

$$V^{n} - T^{n} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_{0}^{1} \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{n-1-j} (V - T) \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{j} dt \qquad (3.4)$$

for any  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  and  $n \geq 1$ .

If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  and we take the trace in (3.4) we get

$$\operatorname{tr}(V^{n}) - \operatorname{tr}(T^{n})$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left(\left[(1-t)T + tV\right]^{n-1-j} (V-T) \left[(1-t)T + tV\right]^{j}\right) dt$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left(\left[(1-t)T + tV\right]^{n-1} (V-T)\right) dt$$

$$= n \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left(\left[(1-t)T + tV\right]^{n-1} (V-T)\right) dt$$

$$= n \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left((V-T) \left[(1-t)T + tV\right]^{n-1}\right) dt$$

for any  $n \ge 1$ .

Let  $m \ge 1$ . Then by (3.5) we have have

$$\operatorname{tr}\left(\sum_{n=0}^{m} a_{n} V^{n}\right) - \operatorname{tr}\left(\sum_{n=0}^{m} a_{n} T^{n}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{m} a_{n} \left[\operatorname{tr}\left(V^{n}\right) - \operatorname{tr}\left(T^{n}\right)\right]$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{m} a_{n} \left[\operatorname{tr}\left(V^{n}\right) - \operatorname{tr}\left(T^{n}\right)\right]$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{m} n a_{n} \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left(\left(V - T\right) \left[\left(1 - t\right)T + tV\right]^{n-1}\right) dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left(\left(V - T\right) \sum_{n=1}^{m} n a_{n} \left[\left(1 - t\right)T + tV\right]^{n-1}\right) dt$$

for any  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ .

Since  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|)$ ,  $\operatorname{tr}(|V|) < R$  with  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  then the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n V^n$ ,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T^n$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{n-1}$  are convergent in  $\mathcal{B}_1(H)$  and

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n V^n = f(V), \qquad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T^n = f(T)$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n a_n (1-t)T + tV]^{n-1} = f'((1-t)T + tV)$$

where  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Moreover, we have

$$f(V), f(T), f'((1-t)T + tV) \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$$

for any  $t \in [0,1]$ .

By taking the limit over  $m \to \infty$  in (3.6) we get the desired result (3.1).

In addition to the power identity (3.5), for any  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  we have other equalities as follows

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[\exp(V)\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[\exp(T)\right] = \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}\left((V - T)\exp((1 - t)T + tV)\right) dt, \quad (3.7)$$

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[\sin(V)\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[\sin(T)\right] = \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}\left((V - T)\cos((1 - t)T + tV)\right) dt, \quad (3.8)$$

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[\sinh(V)\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[\sinh(T)\right] = \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}\left((V - T)\cosh((1 - t)T + tV)\right) dt. \quad (3.9)$$

If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|), \operatorname{tr}(|V|) < 1$  then

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[(1_H - V)^{-1}\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[(1_H - T)^{-1}\right]$$

$$= \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}\left((V - T)(1_H - (1 - t)T - tV)^{-2}\right) dt,$$
(3.10)

and

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[\ln(1_H - V)^{-1}\right] s - \operatorname{tr}\left[\ln(1_H - T)^{-1}\right]$$

$$= \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}\left((V - T)(1_H - (1 - t)T - tV)^{-1}\right) dt.$$
(3.11)

We have the following result:

COROLLARY 1. With the assumptions in Theorem 6 we have the inequalities

$$\left| \operatorname{tr} \left[ f(V) \right] - \operatorname{tr} \left[ f(T) \right] \right| \leq \min \left\{ \| V - T \| \int_{0}^{1} \| f'((1-t)T + tV) \|_{1} \, \mathrm{d}t \,, \quad (3.12) \right.$$

$$\left\| V - T \|_{1} \int_{0}^{1} \| f'((1-t)T + tV) \| \, \mathrm{d}t \right\}$$

$$\leq \min \left\{ \| V - T \| \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} \left( \| (1-t)T + tV \|_{1} \right) \, \mathrm{d}t ,$$

$$\left\| V - T \|_{1} \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} \left( \| (1-t)T + tV \|_{1} \right) \, \mathrm{d}t \right\},$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  is the operator norm and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is the 1-norm introduced for trace class operators.

*Proof.* From (3.1), we have by taking the modulus

$$\left| \operatorname{tr} [f(V)] - \operatorname{tr} [f(T)] \right| \le \int_0^1 \left| \operatorname{tr} ((V - T)f'((1 - t)T + tV)) \right| dt.$$
 (3.13)

Utilising the inequality (2.11) twice, for any  $t \in [0, 1]$  we get

$$\left| \operatorname{tr} \left( (V - T) f' \left( (1 - t) T + t V \right) \right) \right| \le \|V - T\| \left\| f' \left( (1 - t) T + t V \right) \right\|_{1},$$

$$\left| \operatorname{tr} \left( (V - T) f' \left( (1 - t) T + t V \right) \right) \right| \le \|V - T\|_{1} \left\| f' \left( (1 - t) T + t V \right) \right\|.$$

By integrating these inequalities, we get the first part of (3.12). We have, by the use of  $\|\cdot\|_1$  properties that

$$||f'((1-t)T+tV)||_{1} = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} na_{n} \left[ (1-t)T+tV \right]^{n-1} \right\|_{1}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_{n}| \left\| \left[ (1-t)T+tV \right]^{n-1} \right\|_{1}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_{n}| \left\| (1-t)T+tV \right\|_{1}^{n-1}$$

$$= f'_{a} \left( \left\| (1-t)T+tV \right\|_{1} \right)$$

for any  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$ .

This proves the first part of the second inequality.

Since  $||X|| \le ||X||_1$  for any  $X \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  then ||(1-t)T+tV|| < R for any  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$  which shows that  $f'_a(||(1-t)T+tV||)$  is well defined.

The second part of the second inequality follows in a similar way and the details are omitted.  $\blacksquare$ 

Remark 1. We observe that  $f'_a$  is monotonic nondecreasing and convex on the interval [0,R) and since the function  $\psi(t) := \|(1-t)T + tV\|$  is convex on [0,1] we have that  $f'_a \circ \psi$  is also convex on [0,1]. Utilising the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for convex functions (see for instance [16, p. 2]) we have the sequence of inequalities

$$\int_{0}^{1} f_{a}' (\|(1-t)T + tV\|) dt \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f_{a}' \left( \left\| \frac{T+V}{2} \right\| \right) + \frac{f_{a}'(\|T\|) + f_{a}'(\|V\|)}{2} \right] 
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f_{a}'(\|T\|) + f_{a}'(\|V\|) \right] 
\leq \max \left\{ f_{a}'(\|T\|), f_{a}'(\|V\|) \right\}.$$
(3.14)

We also have

$$\int_{0}^{1} f_{a}' (\|(1-t)T + tV\|) dt \leq \int_{0}^{1} f_{a}' ((1-t)\|T\| + t\|V\|) dt 
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f_{a}' \left( \frac{\|T\| + \|V\|}{2} \right) + \frac{f_{a}'(\|T\|) + f_{a}'(\|V\|)}{2} \right] 
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ f_{a}'(\|T\|) + f_{a}'(\|V\|) \right] 
\leq \max \left\{ f_{a}'(\|T\|), f_{a}'(\|V\|) \right\}.$$
(3.15)

We observe that if  $||V|| \neq ||T||$ , then by the change of variable s = (1-t) ||T|| + t ||V|| we have

$$\int_0^1 f_a'((1-t) \|T\| + t \|V\|) dt = \frac{1}{\|V\| - \|T\|} \int_{\|T\|}^{\|V\|} f_a'(s) ds$$
$$= \frac{f_a(\|V\|) - f_a(\|T\|)}{\|V\| - \|T\|}.$$

If ||V|| = ||T||, then

$$\int_0^1 f_a'((1-t) \|T\| + t \|V\|) dt = f_a'(\|T\|).$$

Utilising these observations we then get the following divided difference inequality for  $T \neq V$ 

$$\int_{0}^{1} f_{a}' (\|(1-t)T + tV\|) dt \leq \begin{cases} \frac{f_{a}(\|V\|) - f_{a}(\|T\|)}{\|V\| - \|T\|} & \text{if } \|V\| \neq \|T\|, \\ f_{a}'(\|T\|) & \text{if } \|V\| = \|T\|. \end{cases}$$
(3.16)

Similar comments apply for the 1-norm  $\|\cdot\|_1$  when  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ .

If we use the first part in the inequalities (3.12) and the above remarks, then we get the following string of inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{tr} \left[ f(V) \right] - \operatorname{tr} \left[ f(T) \right] \right| &\leq \| V - T \| \int_{0}^{1} \left\| f' \left( (1 - t)T + tV \right) \right\|_{1} dt \\ &\leq \| V - T \| \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} \left( \| (1 - t)T + tV \|_{1} \right) dt \\ &\leq \| V - T \| \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f'_{a} \left( \left\| \frac{T + V}{2} \right\|_{1} \right) + \frac{f'_{a} (\| T \|_{1}) + f'_{a} (\| V \|_{1})}{2} \right], \\ \left\{ \frac{f_{a} (\| V \|_{1}) - f_{a} (\| T \|_{1})}{\| V \|_{1} - \| T \|_{1}} & \text{if } \| V \|_{1} \neq \| T \|_{1}, \\ f'_{a} (\| T \|_{1}) & \text{if } \| V \|_{1} = \| T \|_{1}, \end{cases} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \| V - T \| \left[ f'_{a} (\| T \|_{1}) + f'_{a} (\| V \|_{1}) \right] \\ &\leq \| V - T \| \max \left\{ f'_{a} (\| T \|_{1}), f'_{a} (\| V \|_{1}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

provided  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$ .

If  $||T||_1$ ,  $||V||_1 \le M < R$ , then we have from (3.17) the simple inequality

$$|\operatorname{tr}[f(V)] - \operatorname{tr}[f(T)]| \le ||V - T|| f'_a(M).$$

A similar sequence of inequalities can also be stated by swapping the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  with  $\|\cdot\|_1$  in (3.17). We omit the details.

If we use the inequality (3.17) for the exponential function, then for any  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  we have the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{tr} \left[ \exp(V) \right] - \operatorname{tr} \left[ \exp(T) \right] \right| &\leq \|V - T\| \int_{0}^{1} \left\| \exp\left( (1 - t)T + tV \right) \right\|_{1} dt \\ &\leq \|V - T\| \int_{0}^{1} \exp\left( \|(1 - t)T + tV\|_{1} \right) dt \\ &\leq \|V - T\| \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \exp\left( \left\| \frac{T + V}{2} \right\|_{1} \right) + \frac{\exp(\|T\|_{1}) + \exp(\|V\|_{1})}{2} \right], \\ \left\{ \frac{\exp(\|V\|_{1}) - \exp(\|T\|_{1})}{\|V\|_{1} - \|T\|_{1}} & \text{if } \|V\|_{1} \neq \|T\|_{1}, \\ \exp(\|T\|_{1}) & \text{if } \|V\|_{1} = \|T\|_{1}, \end{cases} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \|V - T\| \left[ \exp(\|T\|_{1}) + \exp(\|V\|_{1}) \right] \\ &\leq \|V - T\| \max \left\{ \exp(\|T\|_{1}), \exp(\|V\|_{1}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\|T\|_1\,,\|V\|_1<1,$  then we have the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}
&|\operatorname{tr}\left[\ln(1_{H}-V)^{-1}\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[\ln(1_{H}-T)^{-1}\right] | \\
&\leq \|V-T\| \int_{0}^{1} \|(1_{H}-(1-t)T-tV)^{-1}\|_{1} dt \\
&\leq \|V-T\| \int_{0}^{1} (1-\|(1-t)T+tV\|_{1})^{-1} dt \\
&\leq \|V-T\| \times \begin{cases}
&\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(1-\|\frac{T+V}{2}\|_{1}\right)^{-1} + \frac{(1-\|T\|_{1})^{-1}+(1-\|V\|_{1})^{-1}}{2}\right], \\
&\leq \|V-T\| \times \begin{cases}
&\frac{\ln(1-\|V\|_{1})^{-1}-\ln(1-\|T\|_{1})^{-1}}{\|V\|_{1}-\|T\|_{1}} & \text{if } \|V\|_{1} \neq \|T\|_{1}, \\
&(1-\|T\|_{1})^{-1} & \text{if } \|V\|_{1} = \|T\|_{1}, \end{cases} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \|V-T\| \left[\left(1-\|T\|_{1}\right)^{-1} + \left(1-\|V\|_{1}\right)^{-1}\right] \\
&\leq \|V-T\| \max \left\{\left(1-\|T\|_{1}\right)^{-1}, \left(1-\|V\|_{1}\right)^{-1}\right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

The following result for the Hilbert-Schmidt norm  $\left\| \cdot \right\|_2$  also holds:

THEOREM 7. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0,R), R > 0. If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  are

such that  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|^2)$ ,  $\operatorname{tr}(|V|^2) < R^2$ , then f(V), f(T),  $f'((1-t)T + tV) \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  for any  $t \in [0,1]$  and

$$\operatorname{tr}[f(V)] - \operatorname{tr}[f(T)] = \int_0^1 \operatorname{tr}((V - T)f'((1 - t)T + tV)) dt.$$
 (3.20)

Moreover, we have the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{tr} \left[ f(V) \right] - \operatorname{tr} \left[ f(T) \right] \right| &\leq \|V - T\|_{2} \int_{0}^{1} \|f'((1-t)T + tV)\|_{2} \, \mathrm{d}t \,, \\ &\leq \|V - T\|_{2} \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} \left( \|(1-t)T + tV\|_{2} \right) \, \mathrm{d}t \,, \\ &\leq \|V - T\|_{2} \times \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f'_{a} \left( \left\| \frac{T+V}{2} \right\|_{2} \right) + \frac{f'_{a} (\|T\|_{2}) + f'_{a} (\|V\|_{2})}{2} \right] \,, \\ \left\{ \frac{f_{a} (\|V\|_{2}) - f_{a} (\|T\|_{2})}{\|V\|_{2} - \|T\|_{2}} & \text{if } \|V\|_{2} \neq \|T\|_{2} \,, \\ f'_{a} (\|T\|_{2}) & \text{if } \|V\|_{2} = \|T\|_{2} \,, \end{array} \right. \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \|V - T\|_{2} \left[ f'_{a} (\|T\|_{2}) + f'_{a} (\|V\|_{2}) \right] \\ &\leq \|V - T\|_{2} \max \left\{ f'_{a} (\|T\|_{2}), f'_{a} (\|V\|_{2}) \right\} \,. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* The proof of the first part of the theorem follows in a similar manner to the one from Theorem 6.

Taking the modulus in (3.20) and using the Schwarz inequality for trace (2.13) we have

$$|\operatorname{tr}[f(V)] - \operatorname{tr}[f(T)]| \le \int_0^1 |\operatorname{tr}((V - T)f'((1 - t)T + tV))| dt \qquad (3.22)$$

$$\le \int_0^1 ||V - T||_2 ||f'((1 - t)T + tV)||_2 dt.$$

The rest follows in a similar manner as in the case of 1-norm and the details are omitted.  $\blacksquare$ 

We notice that similar examples to (3.18) and (3.19) may be stated where both norms  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  are replaced by  $\|\cdot\|_2$ .

We also observe that, if  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  with  $||T||_2, ||V||_2 \leq K < R$ , then we have from (3.17) the simple inequality

$$|\operatorname{tr}[f(V)] - \operatorname{tr}[f(T)]| \le ||V - T||_2 f'_a(K).$$

### 4. Norm inequalities

We have the following norm inequalities:

THEOREM 8. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0,R), R > 0.

(i) If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  are such that tr(|T|), tr(|V|) < R, then we have the norm inequalities

$$||f(V) - f(T)||_{1} \leq \begin{cases} ||V - T||_{1} \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} (||(1 - t)T + tV||) dt, \\ ||V - T|| \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} (||(1 - t)T + tV||_{1}) dt. \end{cases}$$
(4.1)

(ii) If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  are such that  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|^2), \operatorname{tr}(|V|^2) < R^2$ , then we also have the norm inequalities

$$||f(V) - f(T)||_{2} \leq \begin{cases} ||V - T||_{2} \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} (||(1 - t)T + tV||) dt, \\ ||V - T|| \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} (||(1 - t)T + tV||_{2}) dt. \end{cases}$$
(4.2)

*Proof.* We use the equality

$$V^{n} - T^{n} = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_{0}^{1} \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{n-1-j} (V - T) \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{j} dt, \quad (4.3)$$

for any  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  and  $n \geq 1$ .

(i) If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  are such that  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|), \operatorname{tr}(|V|) < R$ , then by taking the  $\|\cdot\|_1$  norm and using its properties, for any  $n \ge 1$  we have successively

$$\|V^{n} - T^{n}\|_{1} \leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_{0}^{1} \left\| [(1-t)T + tV]^{n-1-j} (V - T) [(1-t)T + tV]^{j} \right\|_{1} dt$$

$$\leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_{0}^{1} \left\| [(1-t)T + tV]^{n-1-j} (V - T) \right\|_{1} \left\| [(1-t)T + tV]^{j} \right\| dt$$

$$\leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_{0}^{1} \|V - T\|_{1} \left\| [(1-t)T + tV]^{n-1-j} \right\| \left\| [(1-t)T + tV]^{j} \right\| dt$$

$$\leq \|V - T\|_{1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \|(1-t)T + tV\|^{n-1-j} \|(1-t)T + tV\|^{j} dt$$

$$= n \|V - T\|_{1} \int_{0}^{1} \|(1-t)T + tV\|^{n-1} dt.$$
(4.4)

Let  $m \ge 1$ . By (4.4) we have

$$\left\| \sum_{n=0}^{m} a_{n} V^{n} - \sum_{n=0}^{m} a_{n} T^{n} \right\|_{1} = \left\| \sum_{n=1}^{m} a_{n} (V^{n} - T^{n}) \right\|_{1}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{m} |a_{n}| \|V^{n} - T^{n}\|_{1}$$

$$\leq \|V - T\|_{1} \sum_{n=1}^{m} |a_{n}| n \int_{0}^{1} \|(1 - t)T + tV\|^{n-1} dt$$

$$= \|V - T\|_{1} \int_{0}^{1} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{m} n |a_{n}| \|(1 - t)T + tV\|^{n-1} \right) dt.$$

$$(4.5)$$

Also, we observe that

$$||(1-t)T + tV|| \le ||(1-t)T + tV||_1$$
  
  $\le (1-t)||T||_1 + t||V||_1 < R$ 

for any  $t \in [0, 1]$ , which implies that the series  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_n| ||(1-t)T + tV||^{n-1}$  is convergent and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n |a_n| \|(1-t)T + tV\|^{n-1} = f_a' (\|(1-t)T + tV\|)$$

for any  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

Since the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n V^n$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T^n$  are convergent in  $(\mathcal{B}_1(H), \|\cdot\|_1)$ , then by letting  $m \to \infty$  in the inequality (4.5) we get the first inequality in (4.1).

For any  $n \ge 1$  we also have

$$\begin{split} \|V^n - T^n\|_1 &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_0^1 \left\| \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{n-1-j} \left( V - T \right) \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^j \right\|_1 \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_0^1 \left\| \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{n-1-j} \left( V - T \right) \right\| \left\| \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^j \right\|_1 \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \int_0^1 \left\| V - T \right\| \left\| \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^{n-1-j} \right\| \left\| \left[ (1-t)T + tV \right]^j \right\|_1 \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq \left\| V - T \right\| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\|^{n-1-j} \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\|_1^j \mathrm{d}t \\ &\leq \left\| V - T \right\| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\|_1^{n-1-j} \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\|_1^j \mathrm{d}t \\ &= n \left\| V - T \right\| \int_0^1 \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\|_1^{n-1} \mathrm{d}t \,, \end{split}$$

which by a similar argument produces the second inequality in (4.1).

(ii) Follows in a similar way by utilizing the inequality  $||TA||_2 \le ||T|| \, ||A||_2$  that holds for  $T \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  and  $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ . The details are omitted.

 $Remark\ 2.$  From the first inequality in (4.1) we have the sequence of inequalities

$$||f(V) - f(T)||_{1} \leq ||V - T||_{1} \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a} (||(1 - t)T + tV||) dt$$

$$\leq ||V - T||_{1} \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f'_{a} (||\frac{T + V}{2}||) + \frac{f'_{a} (||T||) + f'_{a} (||V||)}{2} \right], \\ \left\{ \frac{f_{a} (||V||) - f_{a} (||T||)}{||V|| - ||T||} & \text{if } ||V|| \neq ||T||, \\ f'_{a} (||T||) & \text{if } ||V|| = ||T||, \end{cases}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} ||V - T||_{1} \left[ f'_{a} (||T||) + f'_{a} (||V||) \right]$$

$$\leq ||V - T||_{1} \max \left\{ f'_{a} (||T||), f'_{a} (||V||) \right\}$$

for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  such that  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|), \operatorname{tr}(|V|) < R$  and a similar result by swapping in the right hand side of (4.6) the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  with  $\|\cdot\|_1$ . In particular, if  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|), \operatorname{tr}(|V|) \leq M < R$ , then we have the simpler inequality

$$||f(V) - f(T)||_1 \le f_a'(M) ||V - T||_1. \tag{4.7}$$

If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$  are such that  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|^2), \operatorname{tr}(|V|^2) < R^2$ , then we have the norm inequalities

$$||f(V) - f(T)||_{2} \leq ||V - T||_{2} \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a}(||(1 - t)T + tV||) dt$$

$$\leq ||V - T||_{2} \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left[ f'_{a}(||\frac{T + V}{2}||) + \frac{f'_{a}(||T||) + f'_{a}(||V||)}{2} \right], \\ \left\{ \frac{f_{a}(||V||) - f_{a}(||T||)}{||V|| - ||T||} & \text{if } ||V|| \neq ||T||, \\ f'_{a}(||T||) & \text{if } ||V|| = ||T||, \end{cases}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} ||V - T||_{2} \left[ f'_{a}(||T||) + f'_{a}(||V||) \right]$$

$$\leq ||V - T||_{2} \max \left\{ f'_{a}(||T||), f'_{a}(||V||) \right\}$$

and a similar result by swapping in the right hand side of (4.6) the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  with  $\|\cdot\|_2$ . In particular, if  $\operatorname{tr}(|T|^2), \operatorname{tr}(|V|^2) \leq K^2 < R^2$ , then we have the simpler inequality

$$||f(V) - f(T)||_2 \le f_a'(K) ||V - T||_2.$$
 (4.9)

# 5. Applications for Jensen's difference

We have the following representation:

LEMMA 1. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0,R), R>0. If either  $T,V\in\mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $\|T\|_1$ ,  $\|V\|_1< R$ , or  $T,V\in\mathcal{B}_2(H)$  with  $\|T\|_2$ ,  $\|V\|_2< R$  then f(V), f(T),  $f(\frac{V+T}{2})\in\mathcal{B}_1(H)$  or f(V), f(T),  $f(\frac{V+T}{2})\in\mathcal{B}_2(H)$ , respectively and

$$\frac{\operatorname{tr}\left[f(V)\right] + \operatorname{tr}\left[f(T)\right]}{2} - \operatorname{tr}\left[f\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right)\right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left(\left(V-T\right)\left[f'\left(\left(1-t\right)\frac{V+T}{2} + tV\right) - f'\left(\left(1-t\right)\frac{V+T}{2} + tT\right)\right]\right) dt .$$
(5.1)

*Proof.* The first part of the theorem follows from Theorem 6. From the identity (3.1), for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$  we have

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[f(V)\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[f\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right)\right]$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left[\left(V - \frac{V+T}{2}\right) f'\left((1-t)\frac{V+T}{2} + tV\right)\right] dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left[\left(V-T\right) f'\left((1-t)\frac{V+T}{2} + tV\right)\right] dt$$

$$(5.2)$$

and

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[f(T)\right] - \operatorname{tr}\left[f\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right)\right]$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left[\left(T - \frac{V+T}{2}\right) f'\left((1-t)\frac{V+T}{2} + tT\right)\right] dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left[\left(T-V\right) f'\left((1-t)\frac{V+T}{2} + tT\right)\right] dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \operatorname{tr}\left[\left(V-T\right) f'\left((1-t)\frac{V+T}{2} + tT\right)\right] dt.$$
(5.3)

If we add the above inequalities (5.2) and (5.3) and divide by 2 we get the desired result (5.1).

THEOREM 9. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0, R), R > 0. If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1$ ,  $||V||_1 < R$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}\left[f(V)\right] + \operatorname{tr}\left[f(T)\right]}{2} - \operatorname{tr}\left[f\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right)\right] \right| \qquad (5.4)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \|V-T\|^2 \int_0^1 \left| t - \frac{1}{2} \right| f_a''(\|(1-t)T + tV\|_1) dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{24} \|V-T\|^2 \left[ f_a''\left(\left\|\frac{V+T}{2}\right\|_1\right) + \frac{f_a''(\|V\|_1) + f_a''(\|T\|_1)}{2} \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{12} \|V-T\|^2 \left[ f_a''(\|V\|_1) + f_a''(\|T\|_1) \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{6} \|V-T\|^2 \max \left\{ f_a''(\|V\|_1), f_a''(\|T\|_1) \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Taking the modulus in (5.1), for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$  we have

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}\left[ f(V) \right] + \operatorname{tr}\left[ f(T) \right]}{2} - \operatorname{tr}\left[ f\left( \frac{V+T}{2} \right) \right] \right| \tag{5.5}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4} \int_0^1 \left| \operatorname{tr} \left( (V - T) \left[ f' \left( (1 - t) \frac{V + T}{2} + tV \right) - f' \left( (1 - t) \frac{V + T}{2} + tT \right) \right] \right) \right| dt.$$

Using the properties of trace, for  $T,V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $\|T\|_1,\|V\|_1 < R$  and  $t \in [0,1]$  we have

$$\left| \operatorname{tr} \left( (V - T) \left[ f' \left( (1 - t) \frac{V + T}{2} + tV \right) - f' \left( (1 - t) \frac{V + T}{2} + tT \right) \right] \right) \right|$$
 (5.6)  
 
$$\leq \|V - T\| \left\| \left[ f' \left( (1 - t) \frac{V + T}{2} + tV \right) - f' \left( (1 - t) \frac{V + T}{2} + tT \right) \right] \right\|_{1}.$$

From (4.1), for  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||A||_1, ||B||_1 < R$  we have

$$||f(A) - f(B)||_{1} \leq ||A - B|| \int_{0}^{1} f'_{a}(||(1 - t)B + tA||_{1}) dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} ||A - B|| \left[ f'_{a}(\left\| \frac{A + B}{2} \right\|_{1}) + \frac{f'_{a}(||A||_{1}) + f'_{a}(||B||_{1})}{2} \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} ||A - B|| \left[ f'_{a}(||A||_{1}) + f'_{a}(||B||_{1}) \right]$$

$$\leq ||A - B|| \max \left\{ f'_{a}(||A||_{1}), f'_{a}(||B||_{1}) \right\}.$$
(5.7)

Applying the second and third inequalities in (5.7) for f',  $A = (1-t)\frac{V+T}{2} + tV$  and  $B = (1-t)\frac{V+T}{2} + tT$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| \left[ f' \left( (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right) - f' \left( (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right) \right] \right\|_{1} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} t \|V - T\| \left[ f''_{a} \left( \left\| \frac{V+T}{2} \right\|_{1} \right) \\
&+ \frac{f''_{a} \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right\|_{1} \right) + f''_{a} \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right\|_{1} \right) \right] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} t \|V - T\| \\
&\times \left[ f''_{a} \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right\|_{1} \right) + f''_{a} \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right\|_{1} \right) \right]
\end{aligned}$$
(5.8)

for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $\|T\|_1, \|V\|_1 < R$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Since  $f_a''$  is convex and monotonic nondecreasing and  $\|\cdot\|_1$  is convex, then

$$\frac{f_a''\left(\left\|(1-t)\frac{V+T}{2}+tV\right\|_1\right)+f_a''\left(\left\|(1-t)\frac{V+T}{2}+tT\right\|_1\right)}{2}$$

$$\leq (1-t)f_a''\left(\left\|\frac{V+T}{2}\right\|_1\right)+t\frac{f_a''(\|V\|_1)+f_a''(\|T\|_1)}{2}$$
(5.9)

for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . From (5.8) and (5.9) we get

$$\left\| \left[ f' \left( (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right) - f' \left( (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right) \right] \right\|_{1} \tag{5.10}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} t \|V-T\|$$

$$\times \left[ f''_{a} \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right\|_{1} \right) + f''_{a} \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right\|_{1} \right) \right]$$

$$\leq t \|V-T\| \left[ (1-t) f''_{a} \left( \left\| \frac{V+T}{2} \right\|_{1} \right) + t \frac{f''_{a} (\|V\|_{1}) + f''_{a} (\|T\|_{1})}{2} \right]$$

for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 < R$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Integrating (5.10) over t on [0, 1] we get

$$\int_{0}^{1} \left\| \left[ f' \left( (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right) - f' \left( (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right) \right] \right\|_{1} dt \\
\leq \frac{1}{2} \left\| V - T \right\| \times \left[ \int_{0}^{1} t f_{a}'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right\|_{1} \right) dt \\
+ \int_{0}^{1} t f_{a}'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right\|_{1} dt \right) \right] \\
\leq \left\| V - T \right\| \left[ f_{a}'' \left( \left\| \frac{V+T}{2} \right\|_{1} \right) \int_{0}^{1} t (1-t) dt \\
+ \frac{f_{a}''(\|V\|_{1}) + f_{a}''(\|T\|_{1})}{2} \int_{0}^{1} t^{2} dt \right] \\
= \frac{1}{6} \left\| V - T \right\| \left[ f_{a}'' \left( \left\| \frac{V+T}{2} \right\|_{1} \right) + \frac{f_{a}''(\|V\|_{1}) + f_{a}''(\|T\|_{1})}{2} \right],$$

which together with (5.5) and (5.6) produce the inequality

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr} [f(V)] + \operatorname{tr} [f(T)]}{2} - \operatorname{tr} \left[ f\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{8} \|V - T\|^2 \times \left[ \int_0^1 t f_a'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right\|_1 \right) dt \right]$$

$$+ \int_0^1 t f_a'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right\|_1 dt \right) \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{24} \|V - T\|^2 \left[ f_a'' \left( \left\| \frac{V+T}{2} \right\|_1 \right) + \frac{f_a''(\|V\|_1) + f_a''(\|T\|_1)}{2} \right].$$
(5.11)

Now, observe that

$$\int_{0}^{1} t f_{a}'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right\|_{1} \right) dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} t f_{a}'' \left( \left\| \frac{1-t}{2} T + \frac{1+t}{2} V \right\|_{1} \right) dt,$$
(5.12)

$$\int_{0}^{1} t f_{a}'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right\|_{1} \right) dt$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} t f_{a}'' \left( \left\| \frac{1-t}{2} V + \frac{1+t}{2} T \right\|_{1} \right) dt.$$
(5.13)

Using the change of variable  $u = \frac{1+t}{2}$ , then we get

$$\int_{0}^{1} t f_{a}'' \left( \left\| \frac{1-t}{2} T + \frac{1+t}{2} V \right\|_{1} \right) dt$$

$$= 2 \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{1} (2u - 1) f_{a}'' \left( \left\| (1-u)T + uV \right\| \right) du.$$
(5.14)

Also, by changing the variable  $v = \frac{1-t}{2}$ , we get

$$\int_0^1 t f_a'' \left( \left\| \frac{1-t}{2} V + \frac{1+t}{2} T \right\|_1 \right) dt$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-2v) f_a'' \left( \left\| (1-v)T + vV \right\| \right) dv.$$
(5.15)

Utilising the equalities (5.12)-(5.15) we obtain

$$\begin{split} \int_0^1 t f_a'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tV \right\|_1 \right) \mathrm{d}t + \int_0^1 t f_a'' \left( \left\| (1-t) \frac{V+T}{2} + tT \right\|_1 \right) \mathrm{d}t \\ &= 2 \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 (2t-1) f_a'' \big( \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\| \big) \mathrm{d}t \\ &+ 2 \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-2t) f_a'' \big( \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\| \big) \mathrm{d}t \\ &= 2 \int_0^1 |2t-1| f_a'' \big( \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\| \big) \mathrm{d}t \\ &= 4 \int_0^1 \left| t - \frac{1}{2} \right| f_a'' \big( \left\| (1-t)T + tV \right\| \big) \mathrm{d}t \end{split}$$

for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $\|T\|_1, \|V\|_1 < R$ .

Making use of (5.11) we deduce the first two inequalities in (5.4).

The rest is obvious.

COROLLARY 2. Let  $f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  be a power series with complex coefficients and convergent on the open disk D(0,R), R > 0. If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1$ ,  $||V||_1 \le M < R$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}[f(V)] + \operatorname{tr}[f(T)]}{2} - \operatorname{tr}\left[ f\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right) \right] \right| \le \frac{1}{8} \|V - T\|^2 f_a''(M). \tag{5.16}$$

The constant  $\frac{1}{8}$  is best possible in (5.16).

*Proof.* From the first inequality in (5.4) we have

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}[f(V)] + \operatorname{tr}[f(T)]}{2} - \operatorname{tr}\left[ f\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \|V - T\|^2 \int_0^1 \left| t - \frac{1}{2} \right| f_a''(\|(1-t)T + tV\|_1) dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \|V - T\|^2 f_a''(M) \int_0^1 \left| t - \frac{1}{2} \right| dt = \frac{1}{8} \|V - T\|^2 f_a''(M)$$

for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||T||_1, ||V||_1 \leq M < R$ , and the inequality is proved.

If we consider the scalar case and take  $f(z) = z^2$ , V = a, T = b with  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  then we get in both sides of (5.16) the same quantity  $\frac{1}{4}(b-a)^2$ .

Remark 3. A similar result holds by swapping the norm  $\|\cdot\|$  with  $\|\cdot\|_1$  in the right hand side of (5.4). The case of Hilbert-Schmidt norm may also be stated, however the details are not presented here.

If we write the inequality (5.4) for the exponential function, then we get

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr} \left[ \exp(V) \right] + \operatorname{tr} \left[ \exp(T) \right]}{2} - \operatorname{tr} \left[ \exp\left( \frac{V+T}{2} \right) \right] \right| \qquad (5.17)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \|V - T\|^{2} \int_{0}^{1} \left| t - \frac{1}{2} \right| \exp\left( \|(1-t)T + tV\|_{1} \right) dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{24} \|V - T\|^{2} \left[ \exp\left( \left\| \frac{V+T}{2} \right\|_{1} \right) + \frac{\exp(\|V\|_{1}) + \exp(\|T\|_{1})}{2} \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{12} \|V - T\|^{2} \left[ \exp(\|V\|_{1}) + \exp(\|T\|_{1}) \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{6} \|V - T\|^{2} \max\left\{ \exp(\|V\|_{1}), \exp(\|T\|_{1}) \right\}$$

for any for  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ .

If  $T, V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$  with  $||V||_1, ||T||_1 \leq M$ , then

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr}\left[\exp(V)\right] + \operatorname{tr}\left[\exp(T)\right]}{2} - \operatorname{tr}\left[\exp\left(\frac{V+T}{2}\right)\right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{8} \|V-T\|^2 \exp(M).$$
(5.18)

If we write the inequality (5.4) for the function  $f(z) = (1-z)^{-1}$ , then we get

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr} \left[ (1_{H} - V)^{-1} \right] + \operatorname{tr} \left[ (1_{H} - T)^{-1} \right]}{2} - \operatorname{tr} \left[ \left( 1_{H} - \frac{V + T}{2} \right)^{-1} \right] \right| \tag{5.19}$$

$$\leq \|V - T\|^{2} \int_{0}^{1} \left| t - \frac{1}{2} \right| \left( 1 - \|(1 - t)T + tV\|_{1} \right)^{-3} dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{12} \|V - T\|^{2} \times \left[ \left( 1 - \left\| \frac{V + T}{2} \right\|_{1} \right)^{-3} + \frac{(1 - \|V\|_{1})^{-3} + (1 - \|T\|_{1})^{-3}}{2} \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{6} \|V - T\|^{2} \left[ (1 - \|V\|_{1})^{-3} + (1 - \|T\|_{1})^{-3} \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{3} \|V - T\|^{2} \max \left\{ (1 - \|V\|_{1})^{-3}, (1 - \|T\|_{1})^{-3} \right\},$$

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{for any for } T,V \in \mathcal{B}_1(H) \text{ with } \|V\|_1\,, \|T\|_1 < 1. \\ \text{Moreover, if } \left\|V\right\|_1, \left\|T\right\|_1 \leq M < 1, \text{ then} \end{array}$ 

$$\left| \frac{\operatorname{tr} \left[ (1_H - V)^{-1} \right] + \operatorname{tr} \left[ (1_H - T)^{-1} \right]}{2} - \operatorname{tr} \left[ \left( 1_H - \frac{V + T}{2} \right)^{-1} \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{4} \|V - T\|^2 (1 - M)^{-3}.$$
(5.20)

The interested reader may choose other examples of power series to get similar results. However, the details are not presented here.

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