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Abstract

Let H be a Hilbert space. In this paper we show among others that, if f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and A, B are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A), Sp(B) \subset I$, then

$$(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B)) \geq f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B)$$

and the inequality for Hadamard product

$$(f(A)g(A) + f(B)g(B)) \circ 1 \geq f(A) \circ g(B) + f(B) \circ g(A).$$

Let either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$. If $A, B > 0$, then

$$A^{p+q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{p+q} \geq A^p \otimes B^q + A^q \otimes B^p,$$

and

$$(A^{p+q} + B^{p+q}) \circ 1 \geq A^p \circ B^q + A^q \circ B^p.$$

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1. Introduction

Let I_1, \dots, I_k be intervals from \mathbb{R} and let $f : I_1 \times \dots \times I_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an essentially bounded real function defined on the product of the intervals. Let $A = (A_1, \dots, A_n)$ be a k -tuple of bounded selfadjoint operators on Hilbert spaces H_1, \dots, H_k such that the spectrum of A_i is contained in I_i for $i = 1, \dots, k$. We say that such a k -tuple is in the domain of f . If

$$A_i = \int_{I_i} \lambda_i dE_i(\lambda_i)$$

is the spectral resolution of A_i for $i = 1, \dots, k$; by following [1], we define

$$f(A_1, \dots, A_k) := \int_{I_1} \dots \int_{I_k} f(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k) dE_1(\lambda_1) \otimes \dots \otimes dE_k(\lambda_k) \tag{1.1}$$

as a bounded selfadjoint operator on the tensorial product $H_1 \otimes \dots \otimes H_k$.

If the Hilbert spaces are of finite dimension, then the above integrals become finite sums, and we may consider the functional calculus for arbitrary real functions. This construction [1] extends the definition of Korányi [2] for functions of two variables and have the property that

$$f(A_1, \dots, A_k) = f_1(A_1) \otimes \dots \otimes f_k(A_k),$$

whenever f can be separated as a product $f(t_1, \dots, t_k) = f_1(t_1) \dots f_k(t_k)$ of k functions each depending on only one variable.

It is known that, if f is super-multiplicative (sub-multiplicative) on $[0, \infty)$, namely

$$f(st) \geq (\leq) f(s)f(t) \text{ for all } s, t \in [0, \infty)$$

and if f is continuous on $[0, \infty)$, then [3, p. 173]

$$f(A \otimes B) \geq (\leq) f(A) \otimes f(B) \text{ for all } A, B \geq 0. \tag{1.2}$$

This follows by observing that, if

$$A = \int_{[0, \infty)} t dE(t) \text{ and } B = \int_{[0, \infty)} s dF(s)$$

are the spectral resolutions of A and B , then

$$f(A \otimes B) = \int_{[0, \infty)} \int_{[0, \infty)} f(st) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \tag{1.3}$$

for the continuous function f on $[0, \infty)$.

Recall the *geometric operator mean* for the positive operators $A, B > 0$

$$A\#_t B := A^{1/2}(A^{-1/2}BA^{-1/2})^t A^{1/2}$$

where $t \in [0, 1]$ and

$$A\#B := A^{1/2}(A^{-1/2}BA^{-1/2})^{1/2} A^{1/2}.$$

By the definitions of $\#$ and \otimes we have

$$A\#B = B\#A \text{ and } (A\#B) \otimes (B\#A) = (A \otimes B)\#(B \otimes A).$$

In 2007, S. Wada [4] obtained the following *Callebaut type inequalities* for tensorial product

$$(A\#B) \otimes (A\#B) \leq \frac{1}{2} [(A\#\alpha B) \otimes (A\#_{1-\alpha} B) + (A\#_{1-\alpha} B) \otimes (A\#\alpha B)] \leq \frac{1}{2} (A \otimes B + B \otimes A) \tag{1.4}$$

for $A, B > 0$ and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$.

Recall that the *Hadamard product* of A and B in $B(H)$ is defined to be the operator $A \circ B \in B(H)$ satisfying

$$\langle (A \circ B)e_j, e_j \rangle = \langle Ae_j, e_j \rangle \langle Be_j, e_j \rangle$$

for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$, where $\{e_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is an *orthonormal basis* for the separable Hilbert space H . It is known that, see [5], we have the representation

$$A \circ B = \mathcal{U}^* (A \otimes B) \mathcal{U} \tag{1.5}$$

where $\mathcal{U} : H \rightarrow H \otimes H$ is the isometry defined by $\mathcal{U}e_j = e_j \otimes e_j$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$.

If f is super-multiplicative and operator concave (sub-multiplicative and operator convex) on $[0, \infty)$, then also [3, p. 173]

$$f(A \circ B) \geq (\leq) f(A) \circ f(B) \text{ for all } A, B \geq 0. \tag{1.6}$$

We recall the following elementary inequalities for the Hadamard product

$$A^{1/2} \circ B^{1/2} \leq \left(\frac{A+B}{2} \right) \circ 1 \text{ for } A, B \geq 0$$

and Fiedler inequality

$$A \circ A^{-1} \geq 1 \text{ for } A > 0.$$

As extension of Kadison's Schwarz inequality on the Hadamard product, Ando [6] showed that

$$A \circ B \leq (A^2 \circ 1)^{1/2} (B^2 \circ 1)^{1/2} \text{ for } A, B \geq 0$$

and Aujla and Vasudeva [7] gave an alternative upper bound

$$A \circ B \leq (A^2 \circ B^2)^{1/2} \text{ for } A, B \geq 0.$$

It has been shown in [8] that $(A^2 \circ 1)^{1/2} (B^2 \circ 1)^{1/2}$ and $(A^2 \circ B^2)^{1/2}$ are incomparable for 2-square positive definite matrices A and B .

For other inequalities concerning tensorial product, see [9] and [10].

Motivated by the above results, in this paper we show among others that if f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and A, B are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A), Sp(B) \subset I$, then

$$(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B)) \geq f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B)$$

and the inequality for Hadamard product

$$(f(A)g(A) + f(B)g(B)) \circ 1 \geq f(A) \circ g(B) + f(B) \circ g(A).$$

Let either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$. If $A, B > 0$, then

$$A^{p+q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{p+q} \geq A^p \otimes B^q + A^q \otimes B^p,$$

and

$$(A^{p+q} + B^{p+q}) \circ 1 \geq A^p \circ B^q + A^q \circ B^p.$$

2. Main Results

We start with the following main result:

Theorem 2.1. *Assume that f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h, k nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. If A, B are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A), Sp(B) \subset I$, then*

$$[h(A)f(A)g(A)] \otimes k(B) + h(A) \otimes [k(B)f(B)g(B)] \geq [h(A)f(A)] \otimes [k(B)g(B)] + [h(A)g(A)] \otimes [k(B)f(B)] \quad (2.1)$$

or, equivalently

$$(h(A) \otimes k(B)) [(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B))] \geq (h(A) \otimes k(B)) [f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B)]. \quad (2.2)$$

If f, g are asynchronous on I , then the inequality reverses in (2.1) and (2.2).

Proof. Assume that f and g are synchronous on I , then

$$f(t)g(t) + f(s)g(s) \geq f(t)g(s) + f(s)g(t)$$

for all $t, s \in I$. We multiply this inequality by $h(t)k(s) \geq 0$ to get

$$f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) + h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s) \geq f(t)h(t)g(s)k(s) + f(s)k(s)g(t)h(t)$$

for all $t, s \in I$. If we take the double integral, then we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_I \int_I [f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) + h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ & \geq \int_I \int_I [f(t)h(t)g(s)k(s) + f(s)k(s)g(t)h(t)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s). \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_I \int_I [f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) + h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s) &= \int_I \int_I f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ & \quad + \int_I \int_I h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ &= [h(A)f(A)g(A)] \otimes k(B) + h(A) \otimes [k(B)f(B)g(B)] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_I \int_I [f(t)h(t)g(s)k(s) + f(s)k(s)g(t)h(t)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s) &= \int_I \int_I f(t)h(t)g(s)k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ & \quad + \int_I \int_I g(t)h(t)f(s)k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ &= [h(A)f(A)] \otimes [k(B)g(B)] + [h(A)g(A)] \otimes [k(B)f(B)]. \end{aligned}$$

By utilizing (2.3) we derive (2.2). Now, by making use of the tensorial property

$$(XU) \otimes (YV) = (X \otimes Y)(U \otimes V),$$

for any $X, U, Y, V \in B(H)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & [h(A)f(A)g(A)] \otimes k(B) + h(A) \otimes [k(B)f(B)g(B)] \\ &= (h(A) \otimes k(B)) [(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1] + (h(A) \otimes k(B)) [1 \otimes (f(B)g(B))] \\ &= (h(A) \otimes k(B)) [(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B))] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & [h(A)f(A)] \otimes [k(B)g(B)] + [h(A)g(A)] \otimes [k(B)f(B)] \\ &= (h(A) \otimes k(B)) (f(A) \otimes g(B)) + (h(A) \otimes k(B)) (g(A) \otimes f(B)) \\ &= (h(A) \otimes k(B)) [f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B)], \end{aligned}$$

which proves (2.2). □

Remark 2.2. With the assumptions of Theorem 2.1 and if we take $k = h$, then we get

$$[h(A)f(A)g(A)] \otimes h(B) + h(A) \otimes [h(B)f(B)g(B)] \geq [h(A)f(A)] \otimes [h(B)g(B)] + [h(A)g(A)] \otimes [h(B)f(B)], \tag{2.4}$$

where f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h is nonnegative and continuous on the same interval.

Moreover, if we take $h \equiv 1$ in (2.4), then we get

$$(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B)) \geq f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B), \tag{2.5}$$

where f, g are synchronous and continuous on I

Corollary 2.3. Assume that f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h, k nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. If A, B are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A), Sp(B) \subset I$, then

$$k(B) \circ [h(A)f(A)g(A)] + h(A) \circ [k(B)f(B)g(B)] \geq [h(A)f(A)] \circ [k(B)g(B)] + [k(B)f(B)] \circ [h(A)g(A)]. \tag{2.6}$$

If f, g are asynchronous on I , then the inequality reverses in (2.6). In particular, we have

$$h(B) \circ [h(A)f(A)g(A)] + h(A) \circ [h(B)f(B)g(B)] \geq [h(A)f(A)] \circ [h(B)g(B)] + [h(B)f(B)] \circ [h(A)g(A)] \tag{2.7}$$

and

$$(f(A)g(A) + (f(B)g(B))) \circ 1 \geq f(A) \circ g(B) + f(B) \circ g(A). \tag{2.8}$$

Proof. If we take \mathcal{U}^* to the left and \mathcal{U} to the right in the inequality (2.1), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}^* ([h(A) f(A) g(A)] \otimes k(B)) \mathcal{U} + \mathcal{U}^* (h(A) \otimes [k(B) f(B) g(B)]) \mathcal{U} &\geq \mathcal{U}^* ([h(A) f(A)] \otimes [k(B) g(B)]) \mathcal{U} \\ &+ \mathcal{U}^* ([h(A) g(A)] \otimes [k(B) f(B)]) \mathcal{U} \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to (2.6). □

Corollary 2.4. Assume that f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h, k nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. If A_j, B_j are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A_j), Sp(B_j) \subset I$ and $p_j, q_j \geq 0, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) f(A_j) g(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i k(B_i) \right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i k(B_i) f(B_i) g(B_i) \right) \\ &\geq \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) f(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i k(B_i) g(B_i) \right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) g(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i k(B_i) f(B_i) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) f(A_j) g(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i h(B_i) \right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i h(B_i) f(B_i) g(B_i) \right) \\ &\geq \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) f(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i h(B_i) g(B_i) \right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j h(A_j) g(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i h(B_i) f(B_i) \right) \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

and, if $\sum_{j=1}^n p_j = \sum_{j=1}^n q_j = 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j f(A_j) g(A_j) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i f(B_i) g(B_i) \right) \geq \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j f(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i g(B_i) \right) \\ &+ \left(\sum_{j=1}^n p_j g(A_j) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i f(B_i) \right). \end{aligned} \tag{2.11}$$

Proof. We have from (2.1) that

$$\begin{aligned} [h(A_j) f(A_j) g(A_j)] \otimes k(B_i) + h(A_j) \otimes [k(B_i) f(B_i) g(B_i)] &\geq [h(A_j) f(A_j)] \otimes [k(B_i) g(B_i)] \\ &+ [h(A_j) g(A_j)] \otimes [k(B_i) f(B_i)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. If we multiply by $p_j q_i \geq 0$ and sum over $j, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{j,i=1}^n p_j q_i [h(A_j) f(A_j) g(A_j)] \otimes k(B_i) + \sum_{j,i=1}^n p_j q_i p_j q_i h(A_j) \otimes [k(B_i) f(B_i) g(B_i)] \\ &\geq \sum_{j,i=1}^n p_j q_i [h(A_j) f(A_j)] \otimes [k(B_i) g(B_i)] + \sum_{j,i=1}^n p_j q_i [h(A_j) g(A_j)] \otimes [k(B_i) f(B_i)] \end{aligned}$$

and by using the properties of tensorial product we derive (2.9). □

Remark 2.5. If we take $B_i = A_i$ and $p_i = q_i, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) g(A_i) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) g(A_i) \right) \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \\ &+ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) \right), \end{aligned} \tag{2.12}$$

where f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and A_i are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A_i) \subset I, p_i \geq 0$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$. By (2.12) we also have the inequality for the Hadamard product

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) g(A_i) \right) \circ 1 \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right), \tag{2.13}$$

where f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and A_i are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A_i) \subset I, p_i \geq 0$ for $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$.

We also have:

Theorem 2.6. Let $f, g : [m, M] \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on $[m, M]$ and differentiable on (m, M) with $g'(t) \neq 0$ for $t \in (m, M)$. Assume that

$$-\infty < \gamma = \inf_{t \in (m, M)} \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)}, \quad \sup_{t \in (m, M)} \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} = \Gamma < \infty,$$

and A, B selfadjoint operators with spectra $Sp(A), Sp(B) \subseteq [m, M]$, then for any continuous and nonnegative function h defined on $[m, M]$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \gamma [(h(A)g^2(A)) \otimes h(B) + h(A) \otimes (h(B)g^2(B)) - 2(g(A)h(A)) \otimes (h(B)g(B))] \\ & \leq [h(A)f(A)g(A)] \otimes h(B) + h(A) \otimes [h(B)f(B)g(B)] - [h(A)f(A)] \otimes [h(B)g(B)] - [h(A)g(A)] \otimes [h(B)f(B)] \quad (2.14) \\ & \leq \Gamma [(h(A)g^2(A)) \otimes h(B) + h(A) \otimes (h(B)g^2(B)) - 2(g(A)h(A)) \otimes (h(B)g(B))]. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma [g^2(A) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(B) - 2g(A) \otimes g(B)] & \leq [f(A)g(A)] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes [f(B)g(B)] - f(A) \otimes g(B) - g(A) \otimes f(B) \\ & \leq \Gamma [g^2(A) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(B) - 2g(A) \otimes g(B)]. \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

Proof. Using the Cauchy mean value theorem, for all $t, s \in [m, M]$ with $t \neq s$ there exists ξ between t and s such that

$$\frac{f(t) - f(s)}{g(t) - g(s)} = \frac{f'(\xi)}{g'(\xi)} \in [\gamma, \Gamma].$$

Therefore

$$\gamma [g(t) - g(s)]^2 \leq [f(t) - f(s)][g(t) - g(s)] \leq \Gamma [g(t) - g(s)]^2$$

for all $t, s \in [m, M]$, which is equivalent to

$$\gamma [g^2(t) - 2g(t)g(s) + g^2(s)] \leq f(t)g(t) + f(s)g(s) - f(t)g(s) - f(s)g(t) \leq \Gamma [g^2(t) - 2g(t)g(s) + g^2(s)]$$

for all $t, s \in [m, M]$. If we multiply by $h(t)h(s) \geq 0$, then we get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma [h(t)g^2(t)h(s) - 2g(t)h(t)h(s)g(s) + h(t)h(s)g^2(s)] & \leq h(t)f(t)g(t)h(s) + h(t)h(s)f(s)g(s) \\ & \quad - h(t)f(t)h(s)g(s) - h(t)g(t)h(s)f(s) \\ & \leq \Gamma [h(t)g^2(t)h(s) - 2g(t)h(t)h(s)g(s) + h(t)h(s)g^2(s)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $t, s \in [m, M]$.

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \gamma \int_m^M \int_m^M [h(t)g^2(t)h(s) - 2g(t)h(t)h(s)g(s) + h(t)h(s)g^2(s)] \times dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ & \leq \int_m^M \int_m^M [h(t)f(t)g(t)h(s) + h(t)h(s)f(s)g(s) - h(t)f(t)h(s)g(s) - h(t)g(t)h(s)f(s)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ & \leq \Gamma \int_m^M \int_m^M [h(t)g^2(t)h(s) - 2g(t)h(t)h(s)g(s) + h(t)h(s)g^2(s)] \times dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \end{aligned}$$

and by performing the calculations as in the proof of Theorem 2.1, we derive (2.14). □

Corollary 2.7. With the assumptions of Theorem 2.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \gamma [h(B) \circ (h(A)g^2(A)) + h(A) \circ (h(B)g^2(B)) - 2(g(A)h(A)) \circ (h(B)g(B))] \\ & \leq h(B) \circ [h(A)f(A)g(A)] + h(A) \circ [h(B)f(B)g(B)] - [h(A)f(A)] \circ [h(B)g(B)] - [h(A)g(A)] \circ [h(B)f(B)] \quad (2.16) \\ & \leq \Gamma [h(B) \circ (h(A)g^2(A)) + h(A) \circ (h(B)g^2(B)) - 2(g(A)h(A)) \circ (h(B)g(B))]. \end{aligned}$$

In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma \left[[g^2(A) + g^2(B)] \circ 1 - 2g(A) \circ g(B) \right] &\leq [f(A)g(A) + [f(B)g(B)]] \circ 1 - f(A) \circ g(B) - g(A) \circ f(B) \\ &\leq \Gamma \left[[g^2(A) + g^2(B)] \circ 1 - 2g(A) \circ g(B) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

We also have:

Corollary 2.8. *With the assumptions of Theorem 2.6 and if A_j are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A_j) \subset I$ and $p_j \geq 0, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, with $\sum_{j=1}^n p_j = 1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} &\gamma \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g^2(A_i) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g^2(A_i) \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) g(A_i) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) g(A_i) \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \\ &\quad - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) \right) \\ &\leq \Gamma \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g^2(A_i) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g^2(A_i) \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} &\gamma \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g^2(A_i) \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \right] \\ &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) g(A_i) \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(A_i) \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \\ &\leq \Gamma \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g^2(A_i) \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i g(A_i) \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{2.19}$$

Proof. From (2.15) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma [g^2(A_i) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(A_j) - 2g(A_i) \otimes g(A_j)] &\leq [f(A_i)g(A_i)] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes [f(A_j)g(A_j)] \\ &\quad - f(A_i) \otimes g(A_j) - g(A_i) \otimes f(A_j) \\ &\leq \Gamma [g^2(A_i) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(A_j) - 2g(A_i) \otimes g(A_j)] \end{aligned}$$

for all $i, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. If we multiply by $p_i p_j \geq 0$ and sum, then we get

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma \sum_{i,j=1}^n p_i p_j [g^2(A_i) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(A_j) - 2g(A_i) \otimes g(A_j)] &\leq \sum_{i,j=1}^n p_i p_j \{ [f(A_i)g(A_i)] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes [f(A_j)g(A_j)] \\ &\quad - f(A_i) \otimes g(A_j) - g(A_i) \otimes f(A_j) \} \\ &\leq \Gamma \sum_{i,j=1}^n p_i p_j [g^2(A_i) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(A_j) - 2g(A_i) \otimes g(A_j)], \end{aligned}$$

which gives (2.18). □

3. Some Examples

Let either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$. If $A, B > 0$, then from (2.4) we get

$$A^{r+p+q} \otimes B^r + A^r \otimes B^{r+p+q} \geq A^{r+p} \otimes B^{r+q} + A^{r+q} \otimes B^{r+p}, \tag{3.1}$$

while from (2.6) we obtain

$$A^{r+p+q} \circ B^r + A^r \circ B^{r+p+q} \geq A^{r+p} \circ B^{r+q} + A^{r+q} \circ B^{r+p}. \tag{3.2}$$

If one of the parameters p, q is in $(-\infty, 0)$ while the other in $(0, \infty)$, then the inequality reverses in (3.1) and (3.2).
 If we take $q = p$, then we get

$$A^{r+2p} \otimes B^r + A^r \otimes B^{r+2p} \geq 2A^{r+p} \otimes B^{r+p}, \tag{3.3}$$

and

$$A^{r+2p} \circ B^r + A^r \circ B^{r+2p} \geq 2A^{r+p} \circ B^{r+p} \tag{3.4}$$

for $p, r \in \mathbb{R}$ and $A, B > 0$.

If we take $q = -p$, then we get

$$2A^r \otimes B^r \geq A^{r+p} \otimes B^{r-p} + A^{r-p} \otimes B^{r+p}, \tag{3.5}$$

while from (2.6) we obtain

$$2A^r \circ B^r \geq A^{r+p} \circ B^{r-p} + A^{r-p} \circ B^{r+p}, \tag{3.6}$$

for $p, r \in \mathbb{R}$ and $A, B > 0$.

Assume that $A_j > 0, p_j \geq 0, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $\sum_{j=1}^n p_j = 1$, then by (2.12) we get

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right), \tag{3.7}$$

if either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$. If one of the parameters p, q is in $(-\infty, 0)$ while the other in $(0, \infty)$, then the inequality reverses in (3.7). In particular, we derive

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2p} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2p} \right) \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \tag{3.8}$$

and

$$2 \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{-p} \right) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{-p} \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right). \tag{3.9}$$

From (2.13) we obtain

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \circ 1 \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right), \tag{3.10}$$

if either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$. If one of the parameters p, q is in $(-\infty, 0)$ while the other in $(0, \infty)$, then the inequality reverses in (3.10). In particular, we have

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2p} \right) \circ 1 \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \tag{3.11}$$

and

$$1 \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{-p} \right), \tag{3.12}$$

for $p \in \mathbb{R}, A_j > 0, p_j \geq 0, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $\sum_{j=1}^n p_j = 1$.

Consider the functions $f(t) = t^p, g(t) = t^q$ defined on $(0, \infty)$. Then $f'(t) = pt^{p-1}, g'(t) = qt^{q-1}$ for $t > 0$ and

$$\frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} = \frac{p}{q} t^{p-q}, t > 0.$$

Assume that either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$. Then $\frac{p}{q} > 0$ and $\frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)}$ is increasing for $p > q$ and decreasing for $p < q$ and constant 1 for $p = q$.

Assume that $0 < m \leq A, B \leq M$, then

$$\inf_{t \in [m, M]} \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} = \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \text{ and } \sup_{t \in [m, M]} \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} = \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \text{ for } p > q$$

and

$$\inf_{t \in [m, M]} \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} = \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \text{ and } \sup_{t \in [m, M]} \frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)} = \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \text{ for } p < q.$$

Assume that either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$ and $0 < m \leq A, B \leq M$. From (2.15) we get for $p > q$ that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} (A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q) \\ &\leq A^{p+q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{p+q} - A^p \otimes B^q - A^q \otimes B^p \\ &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} (A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q) \end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

and for $p < q$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} (A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q) \\ &\leq A^{p+q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{p+q} - A^p \otimes B^q - A^q \otimes B^p \\ &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} (A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q). \end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

From (2.17) we also have the inequalities for the Hadamard product for $p > q$ that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} ((A^{2q} + B^{2q}) \circ 1 - 2A^q \circ B^q) \\ &\leq (A^{p+q} + B^{p+q}) \circ 1 - A^p \circ B^q - A^q \circ B^p \\ &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} ((A^{2q} + B^{2q}) \circ 1 - 2A^q \circ B^q) \end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

and for $p < q$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} ((A^{2q} + B^{2q}) \circ 1 - 2A^q \circ B^q) \\ &\leq (A^{p+q} + B^{p+q}) \circ 1 - A^p \circ B^q - A^q \circ B^p \\ &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} ((A^{2q} + B^{2q}) \circ 1 - 2A^q \circ B^q). \end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

Assume that either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$ and $0 < m \leq A_j \leq M, p_j \geq 0, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $\sum_{j=1}^n p_j = 1$. By (2.18) we get for $p > q$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \\ &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

and for $p < q$

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right\} \\
 &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

Also, by (2.19) we get for $p > q$

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right] \\
 &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right],
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.19}$$

while for $p < q$

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right] \\
 &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \right].
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.20}$$

Consider the exponential functions $f(t) = \exp(\alpha t)$, $g(t) = \exp(\beta t)$ with $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. If $\alpha\beta > 0$ then the functions have the same monotonicity. If $\alpha\beta < 0$ they have different monotonicity.

If $\alpha\beta > 0$ and A, B are selfadjoint operators, then by (2.5) we get

$$\exp[(\alpha + \beta)A] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \exp[(\alpha + \beta)B] \geq \exp(\alpha A) \otimes \exp(\beta B) + \exp(\beta A) \otimes \exp(\alpha B), \tag{3.21}$$

and

$$\exp[(\alpha + \beta)A] \circ 1 + 1 \circ \exp[(\alpha + \beta)B] \geq \exp(\alpha A) \circ \exp(\beta B) + \exp(\beta A) \circ \exp(\alpha B). \tag{3.22}$$

If $\alpha\beta < 0$, then the reverse inequality holds in (3.21) and (3.22).

If we take $f(t) = t^p$ and $g(t) = \ln t$, we also have the logarithmic inequalities

$$(A^p \ln A) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (B^p \ln B) \geq A^p \otimes \ln B + \ln A \otimes B^p, \tag{3.23}$$

and

$$(A^p \ln A + B^p \ln B) \circ 1 \geq A^p \circ \ln B + \ln A \circ B^p, \tag{3.24}$$

for $A, B > 0$ and $p > 0$. If $p < 0$, then the inequality reverses in (3.23) and (3.24).

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