

**TRAPEZOIDAL TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR  
RIEMANN-STIELTJES INTEGRAL VIA ČEBYŠEV  
FUNCTIONAL WITH APPLICATIONS**

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ABSTRACT. Some new inequalities for the functional

$$\begin{aligned} E_T(f, u) &:= f(b) \left( u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) + f(a) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \right) \\ &\quad - \int_a^b f(t) du(t), \end{aligned}$$

under various assumptions for the functions  $f$  and  $u$  are given. Applications for functions of selfadjoint operators and unitary operators on complex Hilbert spaces are also provided.

1. INTRODUCTION

For two Lebesgue integrable functions  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , consider the Čebyšev functional:

$$(1.1) \quad C(f, g) := \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t)g(t)dt - \frac{1}{(b-a)^2} \int_a^b f(t)dt \int_a^b g(t)dt.$$

In 1935, Grüss [28] showed that

$$(1.2) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{4} (M - m)(N - n),$$

provided that there exists the real numbers  $m, M, n, N$  such that

$$(1.3) \quad m \leq f(t) \leq M \quad \text{and} \quad n \leq g(t) \leq N \quad \text{for a.e. } t \in [a, b].$$

The constant  $\frac{1}{4}$  is best possible in (1.1) in the sense that it cannot be replaced by a smaller quantity.

Another, however less known result, even though it was obtained by Čebyšev in 1882, [5], states that

$$(1.4) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{12} \|f'\|_\infty \|g'\|_\infty (b-a)^2,$$

provided that  $f', g'$  exist and are continuous on  $[a, b]$  and  $\|f'\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in [a, b]} |f'(t)|$ .

The constant  $\frac{1}{12}$  cannot be improved in the general case.

The Čebyšev inequality (1.4) also holds if  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are assumed to be absolutely continuous and  $f', g' \in L_\infty[a, b]$  while  $\|f'\|_\infty = \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a, b]} |f'(t)|$ .

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A mixture between Grüss' result (1.2) and Čebyšev's one (1.4) is the following inequality obtained by Ostrowski in 1970, [39]:

$$(1.5) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{8} (b-a) (M-m) \|g'\|_\infty,$$

provided that  $f$  is Lebesgue integrable and satisfies (1.3) while  $g$  is absolutely continuous and  $g' \in L_\infty[a, b]$ . The constant  $\frac{1}{8}$  is best possible in (1.5).

The case of *euclidean norms* of the derivative was considered by A. Lupaş in [32] in which he proved that

$$(1.6) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{\pi^2} \|f'\|_2 \|g'\|_2 (b-a),$$

provided that  $f, g$  are absolutely continuous and  $f', g' \in L_2[a, b]$ . The constant  $\frac{1}{\pi^2}$  is the best possible.

Recently, P. Cerone and S.S. Dragomir [3] have proved the following results:

$$(1.7) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \inf_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}} \|g - \gamma\|_q \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \left( \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

where  $p > 1$  and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  or  $p = 1$  and  $q = \infty$ , and

$$(1.8) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \inf_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}} \|g - \gamma\|_1 \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|,$$

provided that  $f \in L_p[a, b]$  and  $g \in L_q[a, b]$  ( $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ;  $p = 1, q = \infty$  or  $p = \infty, q = 1$ ).

Notice that for  $q = \infty, p = 1$  in (1.7) we obtain

$$(1.9) \quad \begin{aligned} |C(f, g)| &\leq \inf_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}} \|g - \gamma\|_\infty \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt \\ &\leq \|g\|_\infty \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt \end{aligned}$$

and if  $g$  satisfies (1.3), then

$$(1.10) \quad \begin{aligned} |C(f, g)| &\leq \inf_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}} \|g - \gamma\|_\infty \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt \\ &\leq \left\| g - \frac{n+N}{2} \right\|_\infty \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (N-n) \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt. \end{aligned}$$

The inequality between the first and the last term in (1.10) has been obtained by Cheng and Sun in [6]. However, the sharpness of the constant  $\frac{1}{2}$ , a generalization for the abstract Lebesgue integral and the discrete version of it have been obtained in [4].

For other recent results on the Grüss inequality, see [30], [35] and [40] and the references therein.

For some recent inequalities for Riemann-Stieltjes integral see [7]-[12] and [31].

In this paper some bounds for the functional

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_T(f, u) &:= f(b) \left( u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) + f(a) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \right) \\
 &\quad - \int_a^b f(t) du(t),
 \end{aligned}$$

under various assumptions for the functions  $f$  and  $u$  are obtained. Applications for functions of selfadjoint operators and unitary operators on complex Hilbert spaces are also provided.

## 2. SOME PRELIMINARY RESULTS

We start with the following representation:

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be an absolutely continuous function and  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  a function of bounded variation. Then we have the equalities*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.1) \quad &\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left[ \frac{f(b)(t-a) + f(a)(b-t)}{b-a} - f(t) \right] du(t) \\
 &= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ f(b) \left( u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f(a) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \right) \right] - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) du(t) \\
 &= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f'(t) u(t) dt - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f'(t) dt \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \\
 &= C(f', g).
 \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Integrating by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f'(t) u(t) dt - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f'(t) dt \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ f(t) u(t) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b f(t) u(t) dt \right] \\
 &\quad - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b-a} \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \\
 &= \frac{f(b)u(b) - f(a)u(a)}{b-a} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) u(t) dt \\
 &\quad - \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b-a} \cdot \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ f(b) \left( u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f(a) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \right) \right] - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) du(t),
 \end{aligned}$$

which proves the second equality in (2.1).

Integrating again by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \\
&= u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ u(t)t \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b t du(t) \right] \\
&= \frac{u(b)(b-a) - u(b)b + u(a)a + \int_a^b t du(t)}{b-a} \\
&= \frac{\int_a^b t du(t) - a[u(b) - u(a)]}{b-a} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b (t-a) du(t)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \\
&= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ u(t)t \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b t du(t) \right] - u(a) \\
&= \frac{u(b)b - u(a)a - \int_a^b t du(t) - u(a)(b-a)}{b-a} \\
&= \frac{b[u(b) - u(a)] - \int_a^b t du(t)}{b-a} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b (b-t) du(t).
\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ f(b) \left( u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) \right. \\
& \left. + f(a) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \right) \right] - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) du(t) \\
&= \frac{1}{b-a} \left[ f(b) \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b (t-a) du(t) \right. \\
& \left. + f(a) \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b (b-t) du(t) \right] - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) du(t) \\
&= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left[ \frac{f(b)(t-a) + f(a)(b-t)}{b-a} - f(t) \right] du(t)
\end{aligned}$$

and the first equality in (2.1) is also proved.  $\square$

Now, for  $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $[a, b]$  an interval of real numbers, define the sets of complex-valued functions

$$\bar{U}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma) := \left\{ f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} \left[ (\Gamma - f(t)) \left( \overline{f(t)} - \bar{\gamma} \right) \right] \geq 0 \text{ for each } t \in [a, b] \right\}$$

and

$$\bar{\Delta}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma) := \left\{ f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \left| f(t) - \frac{\gamma + \Gamma}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Gamma - \gamma| \text{ for each } t \in [a, b] \right\}.$$

The following representation result may be stated.

**Proposition 1.** *For any  $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\gamma \neq \Gamma$ , we have that  $\bar{U}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma)$  and  $\bar{\Delta}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma)$  are nonempty, convex and closed sets and*

$$(2.2) \quad \bar{U}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma) = \bar{\Delta}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma).$$

*Proof.* We observe that for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  we have the equivalence

$$\left| z - \frac{\gamma + \Gamma}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Gamma - \gamma|$$

if and only if

$$\operatorname{Re}[(\Gamma - z)(\bar{z} - \bar{\gamma})] \geq 0.$$

This follows by the equality

$$\frac{1}{4} |\Gamma - \gamma|^2 - \left| z - \frac{\gamma + \Gamma}{2} \right|^2 = \operatorname{Re}[(\Gamma - z)(\bar{z} - \bar{\gamma})]$$

that holds for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

The equality (2.2) is thus a simple consequence of this fact.  $\square$

On making use of the complex numbers field properties we can also state that:

**Corollary 1.** *For any  $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\gamma \neq \Gamma$ , we have that*

$$(2.3) \quad \bar{U}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma) = \{f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid (\operatorname{Re} \Gamma - \operatorname{Re} f(t)) (\operatorname{Re} f(t) - \operatorname{Re} \gamma) \\ + (\operatorname{Im} \Gamma - \operatorname{Im} f(t)) (\operatorname{Im} f(t) - \operatorname{Im} \gamma) \geq 0 \text{ for each } t \in [a, b]\}.$$

Now, if we assume that  $\operatorname{Re}(\Gamma) \geq \operatorname{Re}(\gamma)$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(\Gamma) \geq \operatorname{Im}(\gamma)$ , then we can define the following set of functions as well:

$$(2.4) \quad \bar{S}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma) := \{f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re}(\Gamma) \geq \operatorname{Re} f(t) \geq \operatorname{Re}(\gamma) \\ \text{and } \operatorname{Im}(\Gamma) \geq \operatorname{Im} f(t) \geq \operatorname{Im}(\gamma) \text{ for each } t \in [a, b]\}.$$

One can easily observe that  $\bar{S}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma)$  is closed, convex and

$$(2.5) \quad \emptyset \neq \bar{S}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma) \subseteq \bar{U}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma).$$

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be Lebesgue measurable functions. Then*

$$(2.6) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \begin{cases} \inf_{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}} \|g - \gamma\|_1 \cdot \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| & \begin{array}{l} g \in L_1[a, b], \\ f \in L_\infty[a, b] \end{array} \\ \inf_{\lambda \in \mathbb{C}} \|g - \gamma\|_q \cdot \left( \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \begin{array}{l} g \in L_q[a, b], \\ f \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \\ \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \end{array} \\ \inf_{\gamma \in \mathbb{C}} \|g - \gamma\|_\infty \cdot \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt & \begin{array}{l} g \in L_\infty[a, b], \\ f \in L_1[a, b] \end{array} \end{cases}$$

Follows by the Sonin's identity for complex valued functions

$$C(f, g) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b (g(t) - \gamma) \left( f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right) dt$$

and by the integral Hölder inequality.

**Corollary 2.** *Let  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be Lebesgue measurable functions. If  $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\gamma \neq \Gamma$ , and  $g \in \bar{\Delta}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma)$ , then*

$$(2.7) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Gamma - \gamma| \begin{cases} \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| & f \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & f \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \\ \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

Another important corollary is as follows:

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be Lebesgue measurable functions. If  $g$  is of bounded variation, then*

$$(2.8) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_a^b(g) \begin{cases} \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| & f \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & f \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \\ \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Since  $g$  is of bounded variation, then

$$(2.9) \quad \left| g(t) - \frac{g(a) + g(b)}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} [|g(b) - g(t)| + |g(t) - g(a)|] \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_a^b(g)$$

for any  $t \in [a, b]$ .

We have

$$\left\| g(\cdot) - \frac{g(a) + g(b)}{2} \right\|_\infty = \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| g(t) - \frac{g(a) + g(b)}{2} \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_a^b(g)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| g(\cdot) - \frac{g(a) + g(b)}{2} \right\|_q &= \left( \int_a^b \left| g(t) - \frac{g(a) + g(b)}{2} \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{V}_a^b(g) \left( \int_a^b dt \right)^{1/q} = \frac{1}{2} (b-a)^{1/q} \mathcal{V}_a^b(g) \end{aligned}$$

for  $q \geq 1$ .

Utilising (2.6) we get (2.8).  $\square$

For functions  $h$  that are *Lipschitzian in the middle point* with the constant  $L_{\frac{a+b}{2}}$  and the exponent  $s > 0$ , i.e., satisfying the condition

$$\left| h(t) - h\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| \leq L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right|^s$$

for any  $t \in [a, b]$ , we have the following result as well.

Another important corollary is as follows:

**Corollary 4.** *Let  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be Lebesgue measurable functions. If  $g$  is Lipschitzian in the middle point with the constant  $L_{\frac{a+b}{2}}$  and the exponent  $s > 0$ , then*

$$(2.10) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2^s} L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \times \begin{cases} \frac{(b-a)^s}{s+1} \cdot \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| & f \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \frac{(b-a)^{s-\frac{1}{p}}}{(sq+1)^{1/q}} \cdot \left( \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \begin{array}{l} f \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \\ \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \end{array} \\ (b-a)^{s-1} \cdot \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* We have, for  $q \geq 1$ , that

$$(2.11) \quad \begin{aligned} \left\| g - g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right\|_{[a, b], q} &= \left( \int_a^b \left| g(t) - g\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right|^q dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \left( \int_a^b L_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^q \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right|^{sq} dt \right)^{1/q} \\ &= L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left( \int_a^b \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right|^{sq} dt \right)^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left( \int_a^b \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right|^{sq} dt \right)^{1/q} \\
&= \left( \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left( \frac{a+b}{2} - t \right)^{sq} dt + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left( t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{sq} dt \right)^{1/q} \\
&= \left( 2 \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \left( t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{sq} dt \right)^{1/q} = \left( 2 \frac{\left( t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right)^{sq+1}}{sq+1} \Big|_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b \right)^{1/q} \\
&= \left( 2 \frac{\left( \frac{b-a}{2} \right)^{sq+1}}{sq+1} \right)^{1/q} = \left( \frac{(b-a)^{sq+1}}{2^{sq}(sq+1)} \right)^{1/q} = \frac{(b-a)^{s+1/q}}{2^s (sq+1)^{1/q}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then by (2.11) we have

$$\left\| g - g \left( \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right\|_{[a,b],q} \leq L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \frac{(b-a)^{s+1/q}}{2^s (sq+1)^{1/q}}.$$

Also

$$\left\| g - g \left( \frac{a+b}{2} \right) \right\|_{[a,b],\infty} \leq L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \frac{(b-a)^s}{2^s}.$$

By utilizing the inequality (2.6) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& |C(f, g)| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \frac{(b-a)^{s+1}}{2^s(s+1)} \cdot \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| \quad f \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \frac{(b-a)^{s+1/q}}{2^s(sq+1)^{1/q}} \cdot \left( \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad \begin{array}{l} f \in L_p[a, b] \\ p > 1, \\ \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \end{array} \\ L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \frac{(b-a)^s}{2^s} \cdot \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt \quad f \in L_1[a, b] \end{array} \right. \\
& = \frac{1}{2^s} L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{(b-a)^s}{s+1} \cdot \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| \quad f \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \frac{(b-a)^s}{(sq+1)^{1/q}} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad \begin{array}{l} f \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \\ \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \end{array} \\ (b-a)^{s-1} \cdot \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt \quad f \in L_1[a, b] \end{array} \right.
\end{aligned}$$

and the corollary is proved.  $\square$



**Remark 1.** In the case when  $g$  is Lipschitzian with the constant  $L > 0$ , then

$$(2.12) \quad |C(f, g)| \leq \frac{1}{2}L$$

$$\times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(b-a) \cdot \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| & f \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \frac{(b-a)^{1-\frac{1}{p}}}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \cdot \left( \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \begin{array}{l} f \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \\ \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \end{array} \\ \int_a^b \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) ds \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

### 3. ERROR BOUNDS FOR A GENERALIZED TRAPEZOID RULE

In order to approximate the Riemann-Stieltjes integral  $\int_a^b f(t) du(t)$  by the generalized trapezoid formula

$$f(b) \left( u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) + f(a) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \right)$$

we consider the error functional

$$(3.1) \quad E_T(f, u)$$

$$:= f(b) \left( u(b) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt \right) + f(a) \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(t) dt - u(a) \right)$$

$$- \int_a^b f(t) du(t).$$

For some recent results concerning this functional see [24] and [36].

**Theorem 1.** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be absolutely continuous and  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of bounded variation.

(i) If  $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\gamma \neq \Gamma$ , and  $u \in \bar{\Delta}_{[a, b]}(\gamma, \Gamma)$ , then

$$(3.2) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Gamma - \gamma|$$

$$\times \begin{cases} (b-a) \text{ess sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| & f' \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ (b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \begin{array}{l} f \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \end{array} \\ \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $\varphi, \Phi \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\varphi \neq \Phi$ , and  $f' \in \bar{\Delta}_{[a,b]}(\varphi, \Phi)$ , then

$$(3.3) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi| \times \begin{cases} (b-a) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| & u \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ (b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \begin{array}{l} u \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \end{array} \\ \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| dt & u \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* From Lemma 1 we have the representation

$$(3.4) \quad E_T(f, u) = (b-a) C(f', u).$$

(i) If  $\gamma, \Gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\gamma \neq \Gamma$ , and  $u \in \bar{\Delta}_{[a,b]}(\gamma, \Gamma)$ , then by Lemma 2 we have

$$|C(f', u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Gamma - \gamma| \begin{cases} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| & f' \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \begin{array}{l} f' \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \end{array} \\ \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| dt & f' \in L_1[a, b], \end{cases}$$

which implies the desired result (3.2).

(ii) If  $\varphi, \Phi \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\varphi \neq \Phi$ , and  $f' \in \bar{\Delta}_{[a,b]}(\varphi, \Phi)$ , then by Lemma 2 we have

$$|C(f', u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\Phi - \varphi| \begin{cases} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a,b]} \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| & u \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \left( \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & \begin{array}{l} u \in L_p[a, b], \\ p > 1, \end{array} \\ \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| dt & u \in L_1[a, b], \end{cases}$$

which implies the desired result (3.3).  $\square$

The following result also holds:

**Theorem 2.** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be absolutely continuous and  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of bounded variation.

(i) We have

$$(3.5) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_a^b(u) \times \begin{cases} (b-a) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| & f' \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ (b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & f \in L_p[a, b], \\ & p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \\ \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $f'$  is of bounded variation, then

$$(3.6) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_a^b(f') \times \begin{cases} (b-a) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| & u \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ (b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & u \in L_p[a, b], \\ & p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \\ \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| dt & u \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

The proof follows by the identity (3.4) and from Corollary 3. We omit the details. The case of Lipschitzian functions is as follows:

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be absolutely continuous and  $u : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of bounded variation.

(i) If  $u$  is Lipschitzian in the middle point with the constant  $L_{\frac{a+b}{2}}$  and the exponent  $s > 0$ , then

$$(3.7) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2^s} L_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \times \begin{cases} \frac{(b-a)^s}{s+1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| & f' \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \frac{(b-a)^{s-\frac{1}{p}}}{(sq+1)^{1/q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & f \in L_p[a, b], \\ & p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \\ \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

(ii) If  $f'$  is Lipschitzian in the middle point with the constant  $K_{\frac{a+b}{2}}$  and the exponent  $v > 0$ , then

$$(3.8) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2^v} K_{\frac{a+b}{2}} \times \begin{cases} \frac{(b-a)^v}{v+1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| & u \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \frac{(b-a)^{v-\frac{1}{p}}}{(vq+1)^{1/q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & u \in L_p[a, b], \\ & p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \\ \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| dt & u \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

The proof follows by Corollary 4.

**Remark 2.** If  $u$  is Lipschitzian with the constant  $L > 0$ , then

$$(3.9) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} L \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} (b-a) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| & f' \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}}}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & f \in L_p[a, b], \\ & p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1, \\ \int_a^b \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(b)-f(a)}{b-a} \right| dt & f \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

If  $f'$  is Lipschitzian with the constant  $K > 0$ , then

$$(3.10) \quad |E_T(f, u)| \leq \frac{1}{2} K \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} (b-a) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [a, b]} \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| & u \in L_\infty[a, b] \\ \frac{(b-a)^{\frac{1}{q}}}{(v+1)^{1/q}} \left( \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} & u \in L_p[a, b], \\ & p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \\ \int_a^b \left| u(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b u(s) ds \right| dt & u \in L_1[a, b]. \end{cases}$$

#### 4. APPLICATIONS FOR SELFADJOINT OPERATORS

We denote by  $\mathcal{B}(H)$  the Banach algebra of all bounded linear operators on a complex Hilbert space  $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ . Let  $A \in \mathcal{B}(H)$  be selfadjoint and let  $\varphi_\lambda$  be defined for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  as follows

$$\varphi_\lambda(s) := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } -\infty < s \leq \lambda, \\ 0, & \text{for } \lambda < s < +\infty. \end{cases}$$

Then for every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  the operator

$$(4.1) \quad E_\lambda := \varphi_\lambda(A)$$

is a projection which reduces  $A$ .

The properties of these projections are collected in the following fundamental result concerning the spectral representation of bounded selfadjoint operators in Hilbert spaces, see for instance [29, p. 256]:

**Theorem 4** (Spectral Representation Theorem). *Let  $A$  be a bounded selfadjoint operator on the Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $m = \min \{\lambda \mid \lambda \in Sp(A)\} =: \min Sp(A)$  and  $M = \max \{\lambda \mid \lambda \in Sp(A)\} =: \max Sp(A)$ . Then there exists a family of projections  $\{E_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}}$ , called the spectral family of  $A$ , with the following properties*

- a)  $E_\lambda \leq E_{\lambda'}$  for  $\lambda \leq \lambda'$ ;
- b)  $E_{m-0} = 0, E_M = I$  and  $E_{\lambda+0} = E_\lambda$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- c) We have the representation

$$A = \int_{m-0}^M \lambda dE_\lambda.$$

More generally, for every continuous complex-valued function  $\varphi$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  and for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\left\| \varphi(A) - \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi(\lambda'_k) [E_{\lambda_k} - E_{\lambda_{k-1}}] \right\| \leq \varepsilon$$

whenever

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 < m = \lambda_1 < \dots < \lambda_{n-1} < \lambda_n = M, \\ \lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1} \leq \delta \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq n, \\ \lambda'_k \in [\lambda_{k-1}, \lambda_k] \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq n \end{cases}$$

this means that

$$(4.2) \quad \varphi(A) = \int_{m-0}^M \varphi(\lambda) dE_\lambda,$$

where the integral is of Riemann-Stieltjes type.

**Corollary 5.** *With the assumptions of Theorem 4 for  $A, E_\lambda$  and  $\varphi$  we have the representations*

$$\varphi(A)x = \int_{m-0}^M \varphi(\lambda) dE_\lambda x \quad \text{for all } x \in H$$

and

$$(4.3) \quad \langle \varphi(A)x, y \rangle = \int_{m-0}^M \varphi(\lambda) d\langle E_\lambda x, y \rangle \quad \text{for all } x, y \in H.$$

In particular,

$$\langle \varphi(A)x, x \rangle = \int_{m-0}^M \varphi(\lambda) d\langle E_\lambda x, x \rangle \quad \text{for all } x \in H.$$

Moreover, we have the equality

$$\|\varphi(A)x\|^2 = \int_{m-0}^M |\varphi(\lambda)|^2 d\|E_\lambda x\|^2 \quad \text{for all } x \in H.$$

We need the following result that provides an upper bound for the total variation of the function  $\mathbb{R} \ni \lambda \mapsto \langle E_\lambda x, y \rangle \in \mathbb{C}$  on an interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$ , see [23].

**Lemma 3.** Let  $\{E_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}}$  be the spectral family of the bounded selfadjoint operator  $A$ . Then for any  $x, y \in H$  and  $\alpha < \beta$  we have the inequality

$$(4.4) \quad \left[ \bigvee_{\alpha}^{\beta} (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \right]^2 \leq \langle (E_\beta - E_\alpha) x, x \rangle \langle (E_\beta - E_\alpha) y, y \rangle,$$

where  $\bigvee_{\alpha}^{\beta} (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle)$  denotes the total variation of the function  $\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle$  on  $[\alpha, \beta]$ .

**Remark 3.** For  $\alpha = m - \varepsilon$  with  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\beta = M$  we get from (3.1) the inequality

$$(4.5) \quad \bigvee_{m-\varepsilon}^M (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \leq \langle (I - E_{m-\varepsilon}) x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle (I - E_{m-\varepsilon}) y, y \rangle^{1/2}$$

for any  $x, y \in H$ .

This implies, for any  $x, y \in H$ , that

$$(4.6) \quad \bigvee_{m-0}^M (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \leq \|x\| \|y\|,$$

where  $\bigvee_{m-0}^M (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle)$  denotes the limit  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \left[ \bigvee_{m-\varepsilon}^M (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \right]$ .

We can state the following result for functions of selfadjoint operators:

**Theorem 5.** Let  $A$  be a bounded selfadjoint operator on the Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $m = \min \{ \lambda \mid \lambda \in Sp(A) \} =: \min Sp(A)$  and  $M = \max \{ \lambda \mid \lambda \in Sp(A) \} =: \max Sp(A)$ . If  $\{E_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}}$  is the spectral family of the bounded selfadjoint operator  $A$  and  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is absolutely continuous on  $[m, M] \subset \mathring{I}$  (the interior of  $I$ ), then

$$(4.7) \quad \left| \left\langle \left[ \frac{f(M)(A - m1_H) + f(m)(M1_H - A)}{M - m} - f(A) \right] x, y \right\rangle \right| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_{m-0}^M (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \begin{cases} (M - m) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [m, M]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M) - f(m)}{M - m} \right| \\ (M - m)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_m^M \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M) - f(m)}{M - m} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \int_m^M \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M) - f(m)}{M - m} \right| dt \end{cases} \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \|x\| \|y\| \begin{cases} (M - m) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [m, M]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M) - f(m)}{M - m} \right| \\ (M - m)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_m^M \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M) - f(m)}{M - m} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \int_m^M \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M) - f(m)}{M - m} \right| dt \end{cases}$$

for any  $x, y \in H$ .

*Proof.* Utilising the representation (2.1) and the inequality (3.5) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int_{m-\varepsilon}^M \left[ \frac{f(M)(t-m+\varepsilon) + f(m-\varepsilon)(M-t)}{M-m+\varepsilon} - f(t) \right] d\langle E_t x, y \rangle \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_{m-\varepsilon}^M (\langle E_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (M-m+\varepsilon) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [m-\varepsilon, M]} \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M)-f(m-\varepsilon)}{M-m+\varepsilon} \right| \\ (M-m+\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_{m-\varepsilon}^M \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M)-f(m-\varepsilon)}{M-m+\varepsilon} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \int_{m-\varepsilon}^M \left| f'(t) - \frac{f(M)-f(m-\varepsilon)}{M-m+\varepsilon} \right| dt \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

for small  $\varepsilon > 0$  and for any  $x, y \in H$ .

Taking the limit over  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+$  and using the continuity of  $f$  and the Spectral Representation Theorem, we deduce the desired result (4.7).  $\square$

For recent results concerning inequalities for functions of selfadjoint operators, see [1], [14], [15], [16], [17], [18], [19], [23], [33], [37], [38], [41] and the books [21], [22] and [27].

## 5. APPLICATIONS FOR UNITARY OPERATORS

A unitary operator is a bounded linear operator  $U : H \rightarrow H$  on a Hilbert space  $H$  satisfying

$$U^*U = UU^* = 1_H$$

where  $U^*$  is the adjoint of  $U$ , and  $1_H : H \rightarrow H$  is the identity operator. This property is equivalent to the following:

- (i)  $U$  preserves the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  of the Hilbert space, i.e., for all vectors  $x$  and  $y$  in the Hilbert space,  $\langle Ux, Uy \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle$  and
- (ii)  $U$  is surjective.

The following result is well known [29, p. 275 - p. 276]:

**Theorem 6** (Spectral Representation Theorem). *Let  $U$  be a unitary operator on the Hilbert space  $H$ . Then there exists a family of projections  $\{P_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in [0, 2\pi]}$ , called the spectral family of  $U$ , with the following properties*

- a)  $P_\lambda \leq P_{\lambda'}$  for  $\lambda \leq \lambda'$ ;
- b)  $P_0 = 0, P_{2\pi} = I$  and  $P_{\lambda+0} = P_\lambda$  for all  $\lambda \in [0, 2\pi)$ ;
- c) We have the representation

$$U = \int_0^{2\pi} \exp(i\lambda) dP_\lambda.$$

More generally, for every continuous complex-valued function  $\varphi$  defined on the unit circle  $\mathcal{C}(0, 1)$  and for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\left\| \varphi(U) - \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi(\exp(i\lambda'_k)) [P_{\lambda_k} - P_{\lambda_{k-1}}] \right\| \leq \varepsilon$$

whenever

$$\begin{cases} 0 = \lambda_1 < \dots < \lambda_{n-1} < \lambda_n = 2\pi, \\ \lambda_k - \lambda_{k-1} \leq \delta \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq n, \\ \lambda'_k \in [\lambda_{k-1}, \lambda_k] \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq n \end{cases}$$

this means that

$$(5.1) \quad \varphi(U) = \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(\exp(i\lambda)) dP_\lambda,$$

where the integral is of Riemann-Stieltjes type.

**Corollary 6.** *With the assumptions of Theorem 6 for  $U, P_\lambda$  and  $\varphi$  we have the representations*

$$\varphi(U)x = \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(\exp(i\lambda)) dP_\lambda x \text{ for all } x \in H$$

and

$$(5.2) \quad \langle \varphi(U)x, y \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(\exp(i\lambda)) d\langle P_\lambda x, y \rangle \text{ for all } x, y \in H.$$

In particular,

$$\langle \varphi(U)x, x \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi(\exp(i\lambda)) d\langle P_\lambda x, x \rangle \text{ for all } x \in H.$$

Moreover, we have the equality

$$\|\varphi(U)x\|^2 = \int_0^{2\pi} |\varphi(\exp(i\lambda))|^2 d\|P_\lambda x\|^2 \text{ for all } x \in H.$$

The following result holds:

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $U$  be a unitary operator on the Hilbert space  $H$  and  $\{P_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in [0, 2\pi]}$ , the spectral family of  $U$ . Let  $f$  be a differentiable complex-valued function defined on an open disk containing the unit circle  $\mathcal{C}(0, 1)$ . Then we have*

$$(5.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & |\langle [2\pi f(1) - f(U)]x, y \rangle| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_0^{2\pi} (\langle P_{(\cdot)}x, y \rangle) \begin{cases} 2\pi \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} |f'(e^{it})|; \\ (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |f'(e^{it})|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}; \\ \int_0^{2\pi} |f'(e^{it})| dt; \end{cases} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \|x\| \|y\| \begin{cases} 2\pi \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} |f'(e^{it})|; \\ (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |f'(e^{it})|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}; \\ \int_0^{2\pi} |f'(e^{it})| dt, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in H$ .



*Proof.* Utilising the representation (2.1), the inequality (3.5) and the fact that  $f$  is differentiable as a complex function, we have

$$(5.4) \quad \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ \frac{f(e^{i2\pi})(t-0) + f(e^0)(2\pi-t)}{2\pi} - f(e^{it}) \right] d\langle P_\lambda x, y \rangle \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_0^{2\pi} (\langle P_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2\pi \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} \left| i e^{it} f'(e^{it}) - \frac{f(e^{i2\pi}) - f(e^0)}{2\pi} \right| \\ (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \left| i e^{it} f'(e^{it}) - \frac{f(e^{i2\pi}) - f(e^0)}{2\pi} \right|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \int_0^{2\pi} \left| i e^{it} f'(e^{it}) - \frac{f(e^{i2\pi}) - f(e^0)}{2\pi} \right| dt \end{array} \right.$$

for all  $x, y \in H$ .

The inequality (5.4) is equivalent with

$$\left| \int_0^{2\pi} [f(1) - f(e^{it})] d\langle P_\lambda x, y \rangle \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \bigvee_0^{2\pi} (\langle P_{(\cdot)} x, y \rangle) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 2\pi \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} |f'(e^{it})| \\ (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} |f'(e^{it})|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ \int_0^{2\pi} |f'(e^{it})| dt \end{array} \right.$$

and the desired result (5.3) is proved.  $\square$

**Remark 4.** Consider the exponential function  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $f(z) = \exp z := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^n$ . Then  $f'(z) = \exp z$  and

$$\begin{aligned} |f'(e^{it})| &= |\exp(\cos t + i \sin t)| = \exp(\cos t) |\exp(i \sin t)| \\ &= \exp(\cos t) \end{aligned}$$

for  $t \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

Observe that

$$\sup_{t \in [0, 2\pi]} |f'(e^{it})| = e$$

and for  $p \geq 1$

$$\left( \int_0^{2\pi} |f'(e^{it})|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \exp(p \cos t) dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = [2\pi I_0(p)]^{1/p}$$

where  $I_0$  is the modified Bessel function of the first kind, i.e., we recall that

$$I_0(z) := \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(m!)^2} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2m}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Let  $U$  be a unitary operator on the Hilbert space  $H$  and  $\{P_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in [0, 2\pi]}$ , the spectral family of  $U$ . Then we have by (5.3)

$$(5.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & |\langle [2\pi e - \exp(U)]x, y \rangle| \\ & \leq \pi \int_0^{2\pi} (\langle P_{(\cdot)}x, y \rangle) \begin{cases} e; \\ (I_0(p))^{\frac{1}{p}}; & p > 1 \\ I_0(1); \end{cases} \\ & \leq \pi \|x\| \|y\| \begin{cases} e; \\ (I_0(p))^{\frac{1}{p}}; & p > 1 \\ I_0(1), \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in H$ .

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