

# SECOND DERIVATIVE LIPSCHITZ TYPE INEQUALITIES FOR AN INTEGRAL TRANSFORM OF POSITIVE OPERATORS IN HILBERT SPACES

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ABSTRACT. For a continuous and positive function  $w(\lambda)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\mu$  a positive measure on  $(0, \infty)$  we consider the following *integral transform*

$$\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(T) := \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + T)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda),$$

where the integral is assumed to exist for  $T$  a positive operator on a complex Hilbert space  $H$ . We show among others that, if  $A \geq m_1 > 0$ ,  $B \geq m_2 > 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(B - A)\| \\ & \leq \|B - A\|^2 \\ & \times \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_2) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_1) - (m_2 - m_1)\mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m_1)}{(m_2 - m_1)^2} & \text{if } m_1 \neq m_2, \\ \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) & \text{if } m_1 = m_2 = m, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where  $D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))$  is the Fréchet derivative of  $\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)$  as a function of operator and  $\mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)$  is the second derivative of  $\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)$  as a real function.

We also prove the norm integral inequalities for power  $r \in (0, 1]$  and  $A, B \geq m > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \int_0^1 ((1-t)A + tB)^{r-1} dt - \left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)^{r-1} \right\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{24} (1-r)(2-r) m^{r-3} \|B - A\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{A^{r-1} + B^{r-1}}{2} - \int_0^1 ((1-t)A + tB)^{r-1} dt \right\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{12} (1-r)(2-r) m^{r-3} \|B - A\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Consider a complex Hilbert space  $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ . An operator  $T$  is said to be positive (denoted by  $T \geq 0$ ) if  $\langle Tx, x \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $x \in H$  and also an operator  $T$  is said to be *strictly positive* (denoted by  $T > 0$ ) if  $T$  is positive and invertible. A real valued continuous function  $f$  on  $(0, \infty)$  is said to be operator monotone if  $f(A) \geq f(B)$  holds for any  $A \geq B > 0$ .

In 1934, K. Löwner [16] had given a definitive characterization of operator monotone functions as follows, see for instance [5, p. 144-145]:

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**Theorem 1.** *A function  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is operator monotone in  $(0, \infty)$  if and only if it has the representation*

$$(1.1) \quad f(t) = a + bt + \int_0^\infty \frac{t\lambda}{t+\lambda} d\mu(\lambda)$$

where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $b \geq 0$  and a positive measure  $\mu$  on  $(0, \infty)$  such that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\lambda}{1+\lambda} d\mu(\lambda) < \infty.$$

If  $f$  is operator monotone in  $[0, \infty)$ , then  $a = f(0)$  in (1.1).

We recall the important fact proved by Löwner and Heinz that states that the power function  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(t) = t^\alpha$  is an operator monotone function for any  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , [14]. The function  $\ln$  is also operator monotone on  $(0, \infty)$ . For other examples of operator monotone functions, see [11] and [13].

Let  $\mathcal{B}(H)$  be the Banach algebra of bounded linear operators on a 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 [3] 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

$$\||A| - |B|\| \leq L \|A - B\|$$

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

However, as shown by Farforovskaya in [8], [9] and Kato in [15], the following inequality holds

$$(1.2) \quad \||A| - |B|\| \leq \frac{2}{\pi} \|A - B\| \left( 2 + \log \left( \frac{\|A\| + \|B\|}{\|A - B\|} \right) \right)$$

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

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

$$(1.3) \quad \||A| - |B|\|_{HS} \leq \sqrt{2} \|A - B\|_{HS}$$

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 [3] that, if  $A$  is an invertible operator, then for all operators  $B$  in a neighborhood of  $A$  we have

$$(1.4) \quad \||A| - |B|\| \leq a_1 \|A - B\| + a_2 \|A - B\|^2 + O(\|A - B\|^3)$$

where

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

In [2] the author also obtained the following *Lipschitz type inequality*

$$(1.5) \quad \|f(A) - f(B)\| \leq f'(a) \|A - B\|$$

where  $f$  is an *operator monotone function* on  $(0, \infty)$  and  $A, B \geq a > 0$ .

One of the 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 [4], [10] and the references therein.

We have the following integral representation for the power function when  $t > 0$ ,  $r \in (0, 1]$ , see for instance [5, p. 145]

$$(1.6) \quad t^r = \frac{\sin(r\pi)}{\pi} t \int_0^\infty \frac{\lambda^{r-1}}{\lambda+t} d\lambda.$$

Observe that for  $t > 0$ ,  $t \neq 1$ , we have

$$\int_0^u \frac{d\lambda}{(\lambda+t)(\lambda+1)} = \frac{\ln t}{t-1} + \frac{1}{1-t} \ln\left(\frac{u+t}{u+1}\right)$$

for all  $u > 0$ .

By taking the limit over  $u \rightarrow \infty$  in this equality, we derive

$$\frac{\ln t}{t-1} = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\lambda}{(\lambda+t)(\lambda+1)},$$

which gives the representation for the logarithm

$$(1.7) \quad \ln t = (t-1) \int_0^\infty \frac{d\lambda}{(\lambda+1)(\lambda+t)}$$

for all  $t > 0$ .

Motivated by these representations, we introduce, for a continuous and positive function  $w(\lambda)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ , the following *integral transform*

$$(1.8) \quad \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(t) := \int_0^\infty \frac{w(\lambda)}{\lambda+t} d\mu(\lambda), \quad t > 0,$$

where  $\mu$  is a positive measure on  $(0, \infty)$  and the integral (1.8) exists for all  $t > 0$ .

For  $\mu$  the Lebesgue usual measure, we put

$$(1.9) \quad \mathcal{D}(w)(t) := \int_0^\infty \frac{w(\lambda)}{\lambda+t} d\lambda, \quad t > 0.$$

If we take  $\mu$  to be the usual Lebesgue measure and the kernel  $w_r(\lambda) = \lambda^{r-1}$ ,  $r \in (0, 1]$ , then

$$(1.10) \quad t^{r-1} = \frac{\sin(r\pi)}{\pi} \mathcal{D}(w_r)(t), \quad t > 0.$$

For the same measure, if we take the kernel  $w_{\ln}(\lambda) = (\lambda+1)^{-1}$ ,  $t > 0$ , we have the representation

$$(1.11) \quad \ln t = (t-1) \mathcal{D}(w_{\ln})(t), \quad t > 0.$$

Assume that  $T > 0$ , then by the continuous functional calculus for selfadjoint operators, we can define the positive operator

$$(1.12) \quad \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(T) := \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda+T)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda),$$

where  $w$  and  $\mu$  are as above. Also, when  $\mu$  is the usual Lebesgue measure, then

$$(1.13) \quad \mathcal{D}(w)(T) := \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda+T)^{-1} d\lambda,$$

for  $T > 0$ .

In this paper, we show among others that, if  $A \geq m_1 > 0$ ,  $B \geq m_2 > 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(B - A)\| \\ & \leq \|B - A\|^2 \\ & \times \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_2) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_1) - (m_2 - m_1)\mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m_1)}{(m_2 - m_1)^2} & \text{if } m_1 \neq m_2, \\ \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) & \text{if } m_1 = m_2 = m, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

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## 2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

We have the following representation of the Fréchet derivative:

**Lemma 1.** *For all  $A > 0$ ,*

$$(2.1) \quad D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(V) = - \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda)$$

for all  $V \in S(H)$ , the class of all selfadjoint operators on  $H$ .

*Proof.* By the definition of  $\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)$  we have for  $t$  in a small open interval around 0 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A + tV) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) \\ & = \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left[ (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} - (\lambda + A)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\lambda) \\ & = \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left[ (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} (\lambda + A - \lambda - A - tV) (\lambda + A)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\lambda) \\ & = -t \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left[ (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A + tV) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A)}{t} \\ &= - \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left[ (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\lambda) \\ &= - \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left[ (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

and the identity (2.1) is obtained.  $\square$

The second Fréchet derivative can be represented as follows:

**Lemma 2.** For all  $A > 0$ ,

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & D^2(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(V, V) \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $V \in S(H)$ .

*Proof.* We have by the definition of the Fréchet second derivative that

$$\begin{aligned} & D^2(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(V, V) \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A + tV)(V) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(V)}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

Observe, by (2.1), that we have for  $t$  in a small open interval around 0

$$\begin{aligned} & D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A + tV)(V) \\ &= - \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} V (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda), \end{aligned}$$

which gives that

$$\begin{aligned} & D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A + tV)(V) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(V) \\ &= - \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} V (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \\ &+ \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \\ &= \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \\ &\times \left[ (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} - (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} V (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Define for  $\lambda \geq 0$  and  $t$  as above,

$$U_{t,\lambda} := (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} - (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} V (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1}.$$

If we multiply both sides of  $U_{t,\lambda}$  with  $\lambda + A + tV$ , the we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.3) \quad & (\lambda + A + tV) U_{t,\lambda} (\lambda + A + tV) \\
&= (\lambda + A + tV) (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} (\lambda + A + tV) - V \\
&= \left(1 + tV (\lambda + A)^{-1}\right) V \left(1 + t (\lambda + A)^{-1} V\right) - V \\
&= \left(V + tV (\lambda + A)^{-1} V\right) \left(1 + t (\lambda + A)^{-1} V\right) - V \\
&= V + tV (\lambda + A)^{-1} V + tV (\lambda + A)^{-1} V \\
&\quad + t^2 V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V - V \\
&= 2tV (\lambda + A)^{-1} V + t^2 V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V \\
&= t \left[2V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V + tV (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V\right].
\end{aligned}$$

If we multiply the equality by  $(\lambda + A + tV)^{-1}$  both sides, we get for  $t \neq 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.4) \quad & \frac{U_{t,\lambda}}{t} = (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1} \left[2V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V + tV (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V\right] \\
&\quad \times (\lambda + A + tV)^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

If we take the limit over  $t \rightarrow 0$  in, then we get

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{U_{t,\lambda}}{t}\right) = 2 (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1}.$$

Therefore, by the properties of limit under the sign of integral, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A + tV)(V) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(V)}{t} \\
&= \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{U_{t,\lambda}}{t}\right) d\mu(\lambda) \\
&= 2 \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} V (\lambda + A)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda)
\end{aligned}$$

and the representation (2.2) is obtained.  $\square$

We have the following representation for the transform  $\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)$  :

**Theorem 2.** For all  $A, B > 0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(2.5) \quad & \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) \\
&= \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + A)^{-1} (B - A) (\lambda + A)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \\
&\quad + 2 \int_0^1 (1-t) \left[ \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B - A) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \times (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B - A) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \right] dt.
\end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We use the Taylor's type formula with integral remainder, see for instance [6, p. 112],

$$(2.6) \quad f(E) = f(C) + D(f)(C)(E - C) + \int_0^1 (1-t) D^2(f)((1-t)C + tE)(E - C, E - C) dt$$

that holds for functions  $f$  which are of class  $C^2$  on an open and convex subset  $\mathcal{O}$  in the Banach algebra  $B(H)$  and  $C, E \in \mathcal{O}$ .

If we write (2.6) for  $\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)$  and  $A, B > 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) &= \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) + D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(B - A) \\ &+ \int_0^1 (1-t) D^2(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))((1-t)A + tB)(B - A, B - A) dt \end{aligned}$$

and by the representations (2.1) and (2.2) we obtain the desired result (2.5).  $\square$

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

We have the following Lipschitz type inequality:

**Theorem 3.** *Assume that  $A \geq m_1 > 0$ ,  $B \geq m_2 > 0$ , then*

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} &\|\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(B - A)\| \\ &\leq \|B - A\|^2 \\ &\times \begin{cases} \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_2) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_1) - (m_2 - m_1)\mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m_1)}{(m_2 - m_1)^2} & \text{if } m_1 \neq m_2, \\ \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) & \text{if } m_1 = m_2 = m. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* From (2.5) we get

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} &\|\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(B - A)\| \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^1 (1-t) \left[ \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B - A) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \times (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B - A) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\| d\mu(\lambda) \right] dt \\ &\leq 2 \|B - A\|^2 \int_0^1 (1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\|^3 d\mu(\lambda) \right) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Assume that  $m_2 > m_1$ . Then

$$(1-t)A + tB + \lambda \geq (1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda,$$

which implies that

$$\left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\| \leq \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)m_1 + tm_2)^{-1} \right\|,$$

and

$$(3.3) \quad \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\|^3 \leq \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)m_1 + tm_2)^{-1} \right\|^3$$

for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ .

Therefore, by integrating (3.3) we derive

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.4) \quad & \int_0^1 (1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\|^3 d\mu(\lambda) \right) dt \\
& \leq \int_0^1 (1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-3} d\mu(\lambda) \right) dt \\
& = \frac{1}{(m_2 - m_1)^2} \int_0^1 (1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} (m_2 - m_1) \right. \\
& \quad \times ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} (m_2 - m_1) \\
& \quad \left. \times ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} \right) d\mu(\lambda) dt.
\end{aligned}$$

From (2.5) we have for  $m_2 > m_1$  that

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.5) \quad & \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_2) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_1) + (m_2 - m_1) \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + m_1)^{-2} d\mu(\lambda) \\
& = 2 \int_0^1 (1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} (m_2 - m_1) \right. \\
& \quad \times ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} (m_2 - m_1) \\
& \quad \left. \times ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} \right) d\mu(\lambda) dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + m_1)^{-2} d\mu(\lambda) = -\mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m_1)$$

and then by (3.5) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.6) \quad & \frac{1}{2(m_2 - m_1)^2} [\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_2) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_1) - (m_2 - m_1) \mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m_1)] \\
& = \frac{1}{(m_2 - m_1)^2} \int_0^1 (1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} (m_2 - m_1) \right. \\
& \quad \left. \times ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} (m_2 - m_1) ((1-t)m_1 + tm_2 + \lambda)^{-1} \right) d\mu(\lambda) dt.
\end{aligned}$$

By utilising (3.2) and (3.4)-(3.6) we derive (3.1).

The case  $m_2 < m_1$  goes in a similar way and we also obtain (3.1).

Assume that  $m_2 = m_1 > 0$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then  $B + \epsilon \geq m + \epsilon > m$ . By the first inequality for  $m_2 = m + \epsilon$  and  $m_1 = m$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.7) \quad & \left\| \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B + \epsilon) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(B + \epsilon - A) \right\| \\
& \leq \|B + \epsilon - A\|^2 \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} [\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m + \epsilon) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m) - \epsilon \mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m)].
\end{aligned}$$

By Taylor's expansion theorem with the Lagrange remainder we have

$$\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m + \epsilon) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m) - \epsilon \mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m) = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^2 \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(\zeta_\epsilon)$$

with  $m + \epsilon > \zeta_\epsilon > m$ . Therefore

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} [\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m + \epsilon) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m) - \epsilon \mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m)] = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m)$$



and by taking the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0+$  in (3.7) then we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))(A)(B - A)\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \|B - A\|^2 \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \end{aligned}$$

and the second part of (3.1) is proved.  $\square$

The case of operator monotone function is as follows:

**Corollary 1.** *Assume that  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an operator monotone function with  $f(0) = 0$ . If  $A \geq m_1 > 0$ ,  $B \geq m_2 > 0$ , then*

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|f(B)B^{-1} - (2 - A^{-1}B)A^{-1}f(A) - A^{-1}D(f)(A)(B - A)\| \\ & \leq \|B - A\|^2 \\ & \quad \times \begin{cases} \frac{1}{(m_2 - m_1)^2} \left[ \frac{f(m_2)}{m_2} - \frac{f(m_1)}{m_1} - (m_2 - m_1) \frac{f'(m_1)m_1 - f(m_1)}{m_1^2} \right] \\ \text{if } m_1 \neq m_2, \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(m)m^2 - 2mf'(m) + 2f(m)}{m^3} \text{ if } m_1 = m_2 = m. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* We have

$$\mathcal{D}(\ell, \mu)(t) = \frac{f(t)}{t} - b, \quad t > 0,$$

where  $b \geq 0$  and  $\mu$  is a positive measure on  $(0, \infty)$ .

The derivative of this function is

$$\mathcal{D}'(\ell, \mu)(t) = \frac{f'(t)t - f(t)}{t^2}, \quad t > 0$$

and the second derivative

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}''(\ell, \mu)(t) &= \frac{(f'(t)t - f(t))'t^2 - 2t(f'(t)t - f(t))}{t^4} \\ &= \frac{(f''(t)t + f'(t) - f'(t))t^2 - 2t(f'(t)t - f(t))}{t^4} \\ &= \frac{f''(t)t^3 - 2t^2f'(t) + 2tf(t)}{t^4} = \frac{f''(t)t^2 - 2tf'(t) + 2f(t)}{t^3}. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) - D(\ell^{-1}f)(A)(B - A) \\ &= f(B)B^{-1} - f(A)A^{-1} \\ & \quad - [D(\ell^{-1})(A)(B - A)f(A) + \ell^{-1}(A)D(f)(A)(B - A)] \\ &= f(B)B^{-1} - f(A)A^{-1} + A^{-1}(B - A)A^{-1}f(A) \\ & \quad - A^{-1}D(f)(A)(B - A), \end{aligned}$$

since  $D(\ell^{-1})(A)(B - A) = -A^{-1}(B - A)A^{-1}$ .

Also

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_2) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(m_1) - (m_2 - m_1)\mathcal{D}'(w, \mu)(m_1) \\ &= \frac{f(m_2)}{m_2} - \frac{f(m_1)}{m_1} - (m_2 - m_1) \frac{f'(m_1)m_1 - f(m_1)}{m_1^2}. \end{aligned}$$

By making use of (3.1) we deduce (3.8).  $\square$

We consider the representation obtained from (1.9) for the operator  $T > 0$  and the power  $r \in (0, 1]$ ,

$$T^{r-1} = \mathcal{D}(\tilde{w}_r)(T)$$

with the kernel  $\tilde{w}_r(\lambda) := \frac{\sin(r\pi)}{\pi} \lambda^{r-1}$ ,  $r \in (0, 1]$ .

From (3.1) we get for  $A \geq m_1 > 0$ ,  $B \geq m_2 > 0$  and  $r \in (0, 1]$  that

$$(3.9) \quad \left\| B^{r-1} - A^{r-1} + \int_0^\infty \lambda^{r-1} (\lambda + A)^{-1} (B - A) (\lambda + A)^{-1} d\lambda \right\| \\ \leq \|B - A\|^2 \begin{cases} \frac{(1-r)(m_2 - m_1)m_1^{r-2} - m_1^{r-1} + m_2^{r-1}}{(m_2 - m_1)^2} & \text{if } m_1 \neq m_2, \\ \frac{1}{2} (1-r)(2-r)m^{r-3} & \text{if } m_1 = m_2 = m. \end{cases}$$

We have the following error bounds for operator Jensen's gap related to the  $n$ -tuple of positive operators  $\mathbf{A} = (A_1, \dots, A_n)$  and probability density  $n$ -tuple  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ ,

$$J(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{p}, \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) := \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A_k) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n p_k A_k \right).$$

**Theorem 4.** *Assume that  $A_i \geq m > 0$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and consider the probability density  $n$ -tuple  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ , then*

$$(3.10) \quad \|J(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{p}, \mathcal{D}(w, \mu))\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \left\| A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right\|^2 \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p_j p_k \|A_k - A_j\|^2 \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \max_{k, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \|A_k - A_j\|^2.$$

*Proof.* From (3.1) we get

$$(3.11) \quad \left\| \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A_k) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right. \\ \left. - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \left( A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right\| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \left\| A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right\|^2$$

for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

If we multiply this inequality by  $p_k \geq 0$  and sum over  $k$  from 1 to  $n$ , then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.12) \quad & \sum_{k=1}^n \left\| p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A_k) - p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right. \\
& \left. - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \left( p_k A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right\| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \left\| A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right\|^2.
\end{aligned}$$

By making use of the triangle inequality for norms, we also have

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.13) \quad & \sum_{k=1}^n \left\| p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A_k) - p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right. \\
& \left. - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \left( p_k A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right\| \\
& \geq \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A_k) - \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right. \\
& \left. - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n p_k A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right\| \\
& = \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A_k) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right) \right\|.
\end{aligned}$$

By utilising (3.12) and (3.13) we deduce the first part of (3.10). The rest is obvious.  $\square$

**Remark 1.** From (3.10) we can obtain the following norm inequalities for power  $r \in (0, 1]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.14) \quad & \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n p_k A_k^{r-1} - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n p_k A_k \right)^{r-1} \right\| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} (1-r)(2-r) m^{r-3} \sum_{k=1}^n p_k \left\| A_k - \sum_{j=1}^n p_j A_j \right\|^2 \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} (1-r)(2-r) m^{r-3} \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n p_j p_k \|A_k - A_j\|^2 \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} (1-r)(2-r) m^{r-3} \max_{k,j \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \|A_k - A_j\|^2,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $A_i \geq m > 0$  for  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and the probability density  $n$ -tuple  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ .

## 4. MIDPOINT AND TRAPEZOID INEQUALITIES

We have the following midpoint norm inequality:

**Theorem 5.** *If  $A, B \geq m > 0$  for some constant  $m$ , then*

$$(4.1) \quad \left\| \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) ((1-t)A + tB) dt - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right\| \\ \leq \frac{1}{24} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \|B - A\|^2.$$

*Proof.* From (3.1) we have for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $A, B \geq m > 0$ ,

$$(4.2) \quad \left\| \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) ((1-t)A + tB) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right. \\ \left. - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \left( (1-t)A + tB - \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right\| \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \left\| (1-t)A + tB - \frac{A+B}{2} \right\|^2 \\ = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \left( t - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \|B - A\|^2.$$

If we integrate this inequality, we get

$$(4.3) \quad \int_0^1 \left\| \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) ((1-t)A + tB) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right. \\ \left. - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \left( (1-t)A + tB - \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right\| dt \\ \leq \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \|B - A\|^2 \int_0^1 \left( t - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 dt \\ = \frac{1}{24} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \|B - A\|^2.$$

Using the properties of norm and integral, we also have

$$(4.4) \quad \int_0^1 \left\| \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) ((1-t)A + tB) - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right. \\ \left. - D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \left( (1-t)A + tB - \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right\| dt \\ \geq \left\| \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) ((1-t)A + tB) dt - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right. \\ \left. - \left( \int_0^1 \left( t - \frac{1}{2} \right) dt \right) D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) (B - A) \right\| \\ = \left\| \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) ((1-t)A + tB) dt - \mathcal{D}(w, \mu) \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right\|.$$

By employing (4.3) and (4.4) we derive the desired result (4.1).  $\square$

**Corollary 2.** *Assume that  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an operator monotone function with  $f(0) = 0$ . If  $A, B \geq m > 0$ , then*

$$(4.5) \quad \left\| \int_0^1 ((1-t)A + tB)^{-1} f((1-t)A + tB) dt - \left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)^{-1} f\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \right\| \\ \leq \frac{f''(m)m^2 - 2mf'(m) + 2f(m)}{24m^3} \|B - A\|^2.$$

The proof follows by (4.1) for

$$\mathcal{D}(\ell, \mu)(t) = \frac{f(t)}{t} - b, \quad t > 0,$$

where  $b \geq 0$  and  $\mu$  is a positive measure on  $(0, \infty)$ .

**Remark 2.** *If  $A, B \geq m > 0$ , then for  $r \in (0, 1]$  we get by (4.5) that*

$$(4.6) \quad \left\| \int_0^1 ((1-t)A + tB)^{r-1} dt - \left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)^{r-1} \right\| \\ \leq \frac{1}{24} (1-r)(2-r)m^{r-3} \|B - A\|^2.$$

For a continuous function  $f$  on  $(0, \infty)$  and  $A, B > 0$  we consider the auxiliary function  $f_{A,B} : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$f_{A,B}(t) := f((1-t)A + tB), \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

We have the following representations of the derivatives:

**Lemma 3.** *Assume that the operator function generated by  $f$  is twice Fréchet differentiable in each  $A > 0$ , then for  $B > 0$  we have that  $f_{A,B}$  is twice differentiable on  $[0, 1]$ ,*

$$(4.7) \quad \frac{df_{A,B}(t)}{dt} = D(f)((1-t)A + tB)(B - A)$$

and

$$(4.8) \quad \frac{d^2 f_{A,B}(t)}{dt^2} = D^2(f)((1-t)A + tB)(B - A, B - A)$$

for  $t \in [0, 1]$ , where in 0 and 1 the derivatives are the right and left derivatives.

*Proof.* We prove only for the interior points  $t \in (0, 1)$ . Let  $h$  be in a small interval around 0 such that  $t + h \in (0, 1)$ . Then for  $h \neq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{f_{A,B}(t+h) - f(t)}{h} \\ &= \frac{f((1-(t+h))A + (t+h)B) - f((1-t)A + tB)}{h} \\ &= \frac{f((1-t)A + tB + h(B-A)) - f((1-t)A + tB)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

and by taking the limit over  $h \rightarrow 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{df_{A,B}(t)}{dt} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_{A,B}(t+h) - f(t)}{h} \\ &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left[ \frac{f((1-t)A + tB + h(B-A)) - f((1-t)A + tB)}{h} \right] \\ &= D(f)((1-t)A + tB)(B-A), \end{aligned}$$

which proves (4.7).

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{h} \left[ \frac{df_{A,B}(t+h)}{dt} - \frac{df_{A,B}(t)}{dt} \right] \\ &= \frac{D(f)((1-(t+h))A + (t+h)B)(B-A) - D(f)((1-t)A + tB)(B-A)}{h} \\ &= \frac{D(f)((1-t)A + tB + h(B-A))(B-A) - D(f)((1-t)A + tB)(B-A)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

and by taking the limit over  $h \rightarrow 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 f_{A,B}(t)}{dt^2} &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{1}{h} \left[ \frac{df_{A,B}(t+h)}{dt} - \frac{df_{A,B}(t)}{dt} \right] \right\} \\ &= D^2(f)((1-t)A + tB)(B-A, B-A), \end{aligned}$$

which proves (4.8).  $\square$

For the transform  $\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(t)$  defined in the introduction, we consider the auxiliary function

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t) &:= \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)((1-t)A + tB) \\ &= \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

where  $A, B > 0$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

**Corollary 3.** For all  $A, B > 0$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (4.9) \quad \frac{d\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt} &= D(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))((1-t)A + tB)(B-A) \\ &= - \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B-A) \\ &\quad \times (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (4.10) \quad \frac{d^2 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt^2} &= D^2(\mathcal{D}(w, \mu))((1-t)A + tB)(B-A, B-A) \\ &= 2 \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B-A) \\ &\quad \times (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B-A) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

We observe that if  $f(t) = \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(t)$ ,  $t > 0$ , in Lemma 3, then by the representations from Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 we obtain the desired equalities (4.9) and (4.10).

We have the following identity for the trapezoid rule:

**Lemma 4.** *For all  $A, B > 0$  we have the identity*

$$(4.11) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) + \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B)}{2} - \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)((1-t)A + tB) dt \\ &= \int_0^1 t(1-t) \left[ \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B-A) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B-A) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \right] dt. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Using integration by parts for the Bochner integral, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 t(1-t) \frac{d^2 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt^2} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ t(1-t) \frac{d\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt} \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 (1-2t) \frac{d\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt} dt \right] \\ &= \int_0^1 \left( t - \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{d\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt} dt \\ &= \left( t - \frac{1}{2} \right) \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t) \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(1) + \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(0) \right] - \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t) dt, \end{aligned}$$

that gives the identity

$$(4.12) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) + \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B)}{2} - \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)((1-t)A + tB) dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 t(1-t) \frac{d^2 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt^2} dt. \end{aligned}$$

By (4.12) we have

$$(4.13) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 t(1-t) \frac{d^2 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)_{A,B}(t)}{dt^2} dt \\ &= \int_0^1 t(1-t) \left[ \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B-A) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} (B-A) (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} d\mu(\lambda) \right] dt. \end{aligned}$$

By making use of (4.12) and (4.13) we deduce (4.11).  $\square$

We can state now the corresponding trapezoid norm inequality:

**Theorem 6.** *If  $A, B \geq m > 0$  for some constant  $m$ , then*

$$(4.14) \quad \left\| \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) + \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B)}{2} - \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)((1-t)A + tB) dt \right\| \\ \leq \frac{1}{12} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m) \|B - A\|^2.$$

*Proof.* By taking the norm in (4.11), we obtain

$$(4.15) \quad \left\| \frac{\mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(A) + \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)(B)}{2} - \int_0^1 \mathcal{D}(w, \mu)((1-t)A + tB) dt \right\| \\ \leq \|B - A\|^2 \\ \int_0^1 t(1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\|^3 d\mu(\lambda) \right) dt.$$

Since  $A, B \geq m > 0$ , then for  $\lambda \geq 0$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$\lambda + (1-t)A + tB \geq \lambda + m,$$

which implies that

$$(\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \leq (\lambda + m)^{-1}.$$

This implies that

$$\left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\|^3 \leq (\lambda + m)^{-3}$$

for  $\lambda \geq 0$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

By multiplying this inequality by  $t(1-t)w(\lambda) \geq 0$  and integrating we get

$$(4.16) \quad \int_0^1 t(1-t) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) \left\| (\lambda + (1-t)A + tB)^{-1} \right\|^3 d\mu(\lambda) \right) dt \\ \leq \left( \int_0^1 t(1-t) dt \right) \left( \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + m)^{-3} d\mu(\lambda) \right) \\ = \frac{1}{6} \int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + m)^{-3} d\mu(\lambda).$$

Taking the derivative over  $t$  twice in (1.8), we get

$$\mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(t) := 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{w(\lambda)}{(\lambda + t)^3} d\mu(\lambda), \quad t > 0,$$

that gives

$$\int_0^\infty w(\lambda) (\lambda + m)^{-3} d\mu(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{D}''(w, \mu)(m)$$

and by (4.15) and (4.16) we derive (4.14).  $\square$

**Corollary 4.** *Assume that  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an operator monotone function with  $f(0) = 0$ . If  $A, B \geq m > 0$ , then*

$$(4.17) \quad \left\| \frac{A^{-1}f(A) + B^{-1}f(B)}{2} - \int_0^1 ((1-t)A + tB)^{-1} f((1-t)A + tB) dt \right\| \\ \leq \frac{f''(m)m^2 - 2mf'(m) + 2f(m)}{12m^3} \|B - A\|^2.$$



The proof follows by (4.14) for

$$\mathcal{D}(\ell, \mu)(t) = \frac{f(t)}{t} - b, \quad t > 0,$$

where  $b \geq 0$  and  $\mu$  is a positive measure on  $(0, \infty)$ .

**Remark 3.** If  $A, B \geq m > 0$ , then for  $r \in (0, 1]$  we get by (4.5) that

$$(4.18) \quad \left\| \frac{A^{r-1} + B^{r-1}}{2} - \int_0^1 ((1-t)A + tB)^{r-1} dt \right\| \\ \leq \frac{1}{12} (1-r)(2-r) m^{r-3} \|B - A\|^2.$$

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