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INEQUALITIES FOR TRACE CLASS P-DETERMINANT OF POSITIVE OPERATORS IN HILBERT SPACES VIA OSTROWSKI TYPE RESULTS

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ABSTRACT. Let H be a complex Hilbert space. For a given operator $P \geq 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$, the trace class associated to $\mathcal{B}(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$, we define the P-determinant of the positive invertible operator A by

$$\Delta_P(A) := \exp \operatorname{tr}(P \ln A)$$
.

In this paper we show among others that, if A is an operator satisfying the condition $0 < mI \le A \le MI$, then

$$\begin{split} &\frac{m}{M} \leq \left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]} \\ &\leq \frac{\Delta_P(A)}{I_d\left(m,M\right)} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]} \leq \frac{M}{m}, \end{split}$$

where I_d is the identric mean.

1. Introduction

In 1952, in the paper [6], B. Fuglede and R. V. Kadison introduced the determinant of a (invertible) operator and established its fundamental properties. The notion generalizes the usual determinant and can be considered for any operator in a finite von Neumann algebra (M, τ) with a faithful normal trace.

Let $T \in M$ be normal and $|T| := (T^*T)^{1/2}$ its modulus. By the spectral theorem one can represent T as an integral

$$T = \int_{\mathrm{Sp}(T)} \lambda dE(\lambda),$$

where $E(\lambda)$ is a projection valued measure and $\operatorname{Sp}(T)$ is the spectrum of T. The measure $\mu_T := \tau \circ E$ becomes a probability measure on the complex plane and has the support in the spectrum $\operatorname{Sp}(T)$.

For any $T \in M$ the Fuglede-Kadison determinant (FK-determinant) is defined by

$$\Delta_{FK}(T) := \exp\left(\int_{0}^{\infty} \ln t d\mu_{|T|}\right).$$

If T is invertible, then

$$\Delta_{FK}(T) := \exp\left(\tau\left(\ln\left(|T|\right)\right)\right),\,$$

where $\ln(|T|)$ is defined by the use of functional calculus.

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Let B(H) be the space of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space H, and I stands for the identity operator on H. An operator A in B(H) is said to be positive (in symbol: $A \geq 0$) if $\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq 0$ for all $x \in H$. In particular, A > 0 means that A is positive and invertible. For a pair A, B of selfadjoint operators the order relation $A \geq B$ means as usual that A - B is positive.

In 1998, Fujii et al. [7], [8], introduced the normalized determinant $\Delta_x(A)$ for positive invertible operators A on a Hilbert space H and a fixed unit vector $x \in H$, namely ||x|| = 1, defined by

$$\Delta_x(A) := \exp \langle \ln Ax, x \rangle$$

and discussed it as a continuous geometric mean and observed some inequalities around the determinant from this point of view. For some recent results, see [9].

We need now some preparations for trace of operators in Hilbert spaces.

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

$$(1.1) \sum_{i \in I} \|Ae_i\|^2 < \infty.$$

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

(1.2)
$$\sum_{i \in I} \|Ae_i\|^2 = \sum_{j \in I} \|Af_j\|^2 = \sum_{i \in I} \|A^*f_i\|^2$$

showing that the definition (1.1) is independent of the orthonormal basis and A is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator iff A^* is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator.

Let $\mathcal{B}_{2}\left(H\right)$ the set of *Hilbert-Schmidt operators* in $\mathcal{B}\left(H\right)$. For $A\in\mathcal{B}_{2}\left(H\right)$ we define

(1.3)
$$||A||_2 := \left(\sum_{i \in I} ||Ae_i||^2\right)^{1/2}$$

for $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$ an orthonormal basis of H.

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

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

Because ||A|x|| = ||Ax|| for all $x \in H$, A is Hilbert-Schmidt iff |A| is Hilbert-Schmidt and $||A||_2 = ||A||_2$. From (1.2) we have that if $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$, then $A^* \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ and $||A||_2 = ||A^*||_2$.

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

Theorem 1. We have:

(i) $(\mathcal{B}_{2}(H), \|\cdot\|_{2})$ is a Hilbert space with inner product

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

and the definition does not depend on the choice of the orthonormal basis $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$; (ii) We have the inequalities

$$(1.5) ||A|| \le ||A||_2$$

for any $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ and, if $A \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ and $T \in \mathcal{B}(H)$, then $AT, TA \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$ with

$$(1.6) $||AT||_2, ||TA||_2 \le ||T|| \, ||A||_2$$$

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

$$\mathcal{B}(H)\mathcal{B}_{2}(H)\mathcal{B}(H)\subseteq\mathcal{B}_{2}(H)$$
.

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

(1.7)
$$||A||_1 := \sum_{i \in I} \langle |A| e_i, e_i \rangle < \infty.$$

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

The following proposition holds:

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

- (i) $A \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$;
- (ii) $|A|^{1/2} \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$.

The following properties are also well known:

Theorem 2. With the above notations:

(i) We have

$$||A||_1 = ||A^*||_1 \quad and \quad ||A||_2 \le ||A||_1$$

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

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

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

(iii) We have

$$\mathcal{B}_{2}\left(H\right)\mathcal{B}_{2}\left(H\right)=\mathcal{B}_{1}\left(H\right);$$

(iv) We have

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

(v) $(\mathcal{B}_1(H), \|\cdot\|_1)$ is a Banach space.

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

(1.9)
$$\operatorname{tr}(A) := \sum_{i \in I} \langle Ae_i, e_i \rangle,$$

where $\{e_i\}_{i\in I}$ an orthonormal basis of H. Note that this coincides with the usual definition of the trace if H is finite-dimensional. We observe that the series (1.9) converges absolutely and it is independent from the choice of basis.

The following result collects some properties of the trace:

Theorem 3. We have:

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

$$(1.10) tr(A^*) = \overline{tr(A)};$$

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

(1.11)
$$\operatorname{tr}(AT) = \operatorname{tr}(TA) \ \ and \ |\operatorname{tr}(AT)| \le ||A||_1 ||T||;$$

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

Now, if we assume that $P \geq 0$ and $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$, then for all $T \in \mathcal{B}(H)$, PT, $TP \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(PT) = \operatorname{tr}(TP)$. Also, since $P^{1/2} \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$, $TP^{1/2} \in \mathcal{B}_2(H)$, hence $P^{1/2}TP^{1/2}$ and $TP^{1/2}P^{1/2} = TP \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ with $\operatorname{tr}(P^{1/2}TP^{1/2}) = \operatorname{tr}(TP)$. Therefore, if $P \geq 0$ and $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$,

$$\operatorname{tr}(PT) = \operatorname{tr}(TP) = \operatorname{tr}\left(P^{1/2}TP^{1/2}\right)$$

for all $T \in \mathcal{B}(H)$.

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If $T \geq 0$, then $P^{1/2}TP^{1/2} \geq 0$, which implies that $\operatorname{tr}(PT) \geq 0$ that shows that the functional $\mathcal{B}(H) \ni T \longmapsto \operatorname{tr}(PT)$ is linear and isotonic functional. Also, by (1.11), if $T_n \to T$ for $n \to \infty$ in $\mathcal{B}(H)$ then $\lim_{n \to \infty} \operatorname{tr}(PT_n) = \operatorname{tr}(PT)$, namely $\mathcal{B}(H) \ni T \longmapsto \operatorname{tr}(PT)$ is also continuous in the norm topology.

For a survey on recent trace inequalities see [1] and the references therein.

Now, for a given $P \geq 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$, we define the P-determinant of the positive invertible operator A by

$$(1.12) \quad \Delta_P(A) := \exp \operatorname{tr}(P \ln A) = \exp \operatorname{tr}((\ln A) P) = \exp \operatorname{tr}\left(P^{1/2}(\ln A) P^{1/2}\right).$$

Assume that $P \geq 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$. We observe that we have the following elementary properties:

- (i) continuity: the map $A \to \Delta_P(A)$ is norm continuous;
- (ii) power equality: $\Delta_P(A^t) = \Delta_P(A)^t$ for all t > 0;
- (iii) homogeneity: $\Delta_P(tA) = t\Delta_x(A)$ and $\Delta_P(tI) = t$ for all t > 0;
- (iv) monotonicity: $0 < A \le B$ implies $\Delta_P(A) \le \Delta_P(B)$.

In the recent paper [3] we obtained the following results:

Theorem 4. Let $P \ge 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$, then for all A, B > 0 and $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$\Delta_P((1-t) A + tB) \ge \left[\Delta_P(A)\right]^{1-t} \left[\Delta_P(B)\right]^t.$$

and

Theorem 5. Let $P \ge 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$, then for all A > 0 and a > 0 we have the double inequality

$$a\exp\left[1-a\operatorname{tr}\left(PA^{-1}\right)\right] \leq \Delta_{P}\left(A\right) \leq a\exp\left[a^{-1}\operatorname{tr}\left(PA\right)-1\right].$$

In particular

$$1 \le \frac{\operatorname{tr}(PA)}{\Delta_P(A)} \le \exp\left[\operatorname{tr}(PA)\operatorname{tr}(PA^{-1}) - 1\right]$$

and

$$1 \leq \frac{\Delta_{P}\left(A\right)}{\left[\operatorname{tr}\left(PA^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1}} \leq \exp\left[\operatorname{tr}\left(PA^{-1}\right)\operatorname{tr}\left(PA\right) - 1\right].$$

Motivated by the above results, in this paper we show among others that, if A is an operator satisfying the condition $0 < mI \le A \le MI$, then

$$\begin{split} \frac{m}{M} &\leq \left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]} \\ &\leq \frac{\Delta_P(A)}{I_d\left(m, M\right)} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]} \leq \frac{M}{m}, \end{split}$$

where I_d is the *identric mean*.

2. Main Results

Recall the identric mean

$$I_{d}\left(a,b\right):=\left\{\begin{array}{ll} \frac{1}{e}\left(\frac{b^{b}}{a^{a}}\right)^{\frac{1}{b-a}} & \text{if} \quad b\neq a\\ \\ a & \text{if} \quad b=a \end{array}\right.;\ a,b>0.$$

It is easy to observe the connection between the integral mean of the logarithmic function and the logarithm of the identric mean,

$$\frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \ln t dt = \ln I_d \left(a, b \right)$$

for $a \neq b$ positive numbers.

Theorem 6. Let $P \ge 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$. Assume that the operator A satisfies the condition $0 < mI \le A \le MI$, where m, M are positive numbers, then

$$(2.1) \qquad \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\right] \\ \leq \exp\left(-\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{\left(M-m\right)^{2}}\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^{2}\right]\right]\right) \\ \leq \frac{\Delta_{P}(A)}{I_{d}\left(m,M\right)} \\ \leq \exp\left(\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{\left(M-m\right)^{2}}\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^{2}\right]\right]\right) \\ \leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\right].$$

Also, we have

$$(2.2) \qquad \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\right]$$

$$\leq \exp\left(-\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\right)$$

$$\times \left[\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{\left(m^{-1}-M^{-1}\right)^{2}}\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A^{-1} - \frac{m^{-1}+M^{-1}}{2}I\right)^{2}\right]\right]$$

$$\leq \frac{\left[I_d\left(m^{-1}, M^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1}}{\Delta_P(A)}$$

$$\leq \exp\left(-\left(\frac{M}{m} - 1\right)\right)$$

$$\times \left[\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{(m^{-1} - M^{-1})^2} \operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A^{-1} - \frac{m^{-1} + M^{-1}}{2}I\right)^2\right]\right]$$

$$\leq \exp\left[\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{M}{m} - 1\right)\right].$$

Proof. We use Ostrowski's inequality [10]:

Let $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ be continuous on [a,b] and differentiable on (a,b) such that $f':(a,b)\to\mathbb{R}$ is bounded on (a,b), i.e., $\|f'\|_{\infty}:=\sup_{s\in(a,b)}|f'(s)|<\infty$, then

$$(2.3) \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(s) \, ds \right| \leq \left[\frac{1}{4} + \left(\frac{t - \frac{a+b}{2}}{b-a} \right)^{2} \right] \|f'\|_{\infty} (b-a),$$

for all $t \in [a, b]$ and the constant $\frac{1}{4}$ is the best possible. If we take $f(t) = \ln t$, $t \in [a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$ in (2.3) and observe that

$$||f'||_{\infty} = \sup_{t \in [a,b]} t^{-1} = \frac{1}{a},$$

then we get

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$$\left|\ln t - \ln I_d\left(a, b\right)\right| \le \left[\frac{1}{4} + \left(\frac{t - \frac{a+b}{2}}{b-a}\right)^2\right] \left(\frac{b}{a} - 1\right),$$

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

This inequality is equivalent to

$$(2.4) \qquad -\left[\frac{1}{4} + \left(\frac{t - \frac{a+b}{2}}{b-a}\right)^{2}\right] \left(\frac{b}{a} - 1\right)$$

$$\leq \ln t - \ln I_{d}\left(a, b\right) \leq \left[\frac{1}{4} + \left(\frac{t - \frac{a+b}{2}}{b-a}\right)^{2}\right] \left(\frac{b}{a} - 1\right),$$

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

By utilizing the continuous functional calculus for selfadjoint operators, we get from (2.4) that

$$-\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}I+\frac{1}{(M-m)^2}\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^2\right]$$

$$\leq \ln A - \ln I_d\left(m,M\right)I$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}I+\frac{1}{(M-m)^2}\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^2\right].$$

If we multiply both sides with $P^{1/2}$, then we get

$$-\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}P+\frac{1}{(M-m)^2}P^{1/2}\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^2P^{1/2}\right]$$

$$\leq P^{1/2}\left(\ln A\right)P^{1/2}-\ln I_d\left(m,M\right)P$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}P+\frac{1}{(M-m)^2}P^{1/2}\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^2P^{1/2}\right].$$

Now, if we take the trace and use the fact that tr P = 1, then we obtain

$$(2.5) \qquad -\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{\left(M-m\right)^{2}}\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^{2}\right]\right] \\ \leq \operatorname{tr}\left[P^{1/2}\left(\ln A\right)P^{1/2}\right]-\ln I_{d}\left(m,M\right) \\ \leq \left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{\left(M-m\right)^{2}}\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^{2}\right]\right].$$

By taking the exponential in (2.5) we derive

$$\begin{split} &\exp\left(-\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{\left(M-m\right)^{2}}\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^{2}\right]\right]\right) \\ &\leq \frac{\operatorname{tr}\left[P^{1/2}\left(\ln A\right)P^{1/2}\right]}{I_{d}\left(m,M\right)} \\ &\leq \exp\left(\frac{M}{m}-1\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}+\frac{1}{\left(M-m\right)^{2}}\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^{2}\right]\right]. \end{split}$$

Since

$$\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A-\frac{m+M}{2}I\right)^{2}\right] \leq \frac{1}{4}\left(M-m\right)^{2},$$

hence

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{(M-m)^2} \operatorname{tr} \left[P \left(A - \frac{m+M}{2} I \right)^2 \right] \le \frac{1}{2}$$

and

$$-\frac{1}{2} \le -\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{\left(M - m\right)^2} \operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A - \frac{m + M}{2}I\right)^2\right]\right).$$

These prove the desired result (2.1). If $0 < mI \le A \le MI$, then $0 < M^{-1}I \le A^{-1} \le m^{-1}I$ and if we write the inequality (2.1) for A^{-1} , we derive (2.2).

Theorem 7. With the assumptions of Theorem 6, we have the inequalities

$$(2.6) \qquad \frac{m}{M} \leq \left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]}$$

$$\leq \frac{\Delta_{P}(A)}{I_{d}\left(m, M\right)}$$

$$\leq \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]} \leq \frac{M}{m}$$

and

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(2.7)
$$\frac{m}{M} \le \left(\frac{m}{M}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{m^{-1} - M^{-1}} \operatorname{tr}\left(P \middle| A - \frac{M^{-1} + m^{-1}}{2} I \middle|\right)\right]} \\ \le \frac{\left[I_d\left(m^{-1}, M^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1}}{\Delta_P(A)} \\ \le \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{m^{-1} - M^{-1}} \operatorname{tr}\left(P \middle| A - \frac{M^{-1} + m^{-1}}{2} I \middle|\right)\right]} \le \frac{M}{m}.$$

Proof. In 1997, Dragomir and Wang proved the following Ostrowski type inequality [4]:

Let $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ be an absolutely continuous function on [a,b], then

(2.8)
$$\left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(s) \, ds \right| \leq \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right|}{b-a} \right] \|f'\|_{[a,b],1},$$

for all $t \in [a, b]$, where $\|\cdot\|_1$ is the Lebesgue norm on $L_1[a, b]$, i.e., we recall it

$$||g||_{[a,b],1} := \int_{a}^{b} |g(t)| dt.$$

The constant $\frac{1}{2}$ is best possible.

If we take $\tilde{f}(t) = \ln t$, $t \in [a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$ in (2.8) and observe that

$$||f'||_{[a,b],1} = \ln b - \ln a,$$

then by (2.8) we get

$$|\ln t - \ln I_d(a,b)| \le \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{b-a} \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right|\right] (\ln b - \ln a),$$

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

This inequality is equivalent to

$$(2.9) \qquad -\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{b-a} \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| \right] (\ln b - \ln a)$$

$$\leq \ln t - \ln I_d(a,b)$$

$$\leq \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{b-a} \left| t - \frac{a+b}{2} \right| \right] (\ln b - \ln a),$$

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

By utilizing the continuous functional calculus for selfadjoint operators, we get from (2.4) that

$$-\left(\ln M - \ln m\right) \left[\frac{1}{2}I + \frac{1}{M-m} \left| A - \frac{m+M}{2}I \right|\right]$$

$$\leq \ln A - \ln I_d(m, M) I$$

$$\leq \left(\ln M - \ln m\right) \left[\frac{1}{2}I + \frac{1}{M-m} \left| A - \frac{m+M}{2}I \right|\right],$$

which, as above, implies the trace inequalities

$$-\left(\ln M - \ln m\right) \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m} \operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]$$

$$\leq \operatorname{tr}\left(P\ln A\right) - \ln I_d\left(m, M\right)$$

$$\leq \left(\ln M - \ln m\right) \left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m} \operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right].$$

By taking the exponential, we derive

$$\exp\left(-\left(\ln M - \ln m\right)\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\operatorname{r}\left(P\ln A\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\left(\ln M - \ln m\right)\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M-m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right)\right]\right).$$

Also, we notice that

$$\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left|A - \frac{m+M}{2}I\right|\right) \le \frac{1}{2}\left(M - m\right)$$

for $P \ge 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$. These prove the desired result (2.6). The inequality (2.7) follows by (2.6) applied for A^{-1} .

Theorem 8. With the assumptions of Theorem 6, we have the inequalities

$$(2.10) \qquad \exp\left(-\frac{(M-m)^{1/q} \left(M^{p-1}-m^{p-1}\right)^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q} \left(p-1\right)^{1/p} m^{1/q} M^{1/q}}\right) \\ \leq \exp\left(-\frac{(M-m)^{1/q} \left(M^{p-1}-m^{p-1}\right)^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q} \left(p-1\right)^{1/p} m^{1/q} M^{1/q}}\right) \\ \times \left(\operatorname{tr} P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}\right]\right)^{1/q}\right) \\ \leq \exp\left(-\frac{(M-m)^{1/q} \left(M^{p-1}-m^{p-1}\right)^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q} \left(p-1\right)^{1/p} m^{1/q} M^{1/q}}\right) \\ \times \operatorname{tr} \left(P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}\right]^{1/q}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{\Delta_{P}(A)}{I_{d}(m, M)}$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{(M-m)^{1/q}(M^{p-1}-m^{p-1})^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q}(p-1)^{1/p}m^{1/q}M^{1/q}}\right)$$

$$\times \operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}+\left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}\right]^{1/q}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{(M-m)^{1/q}(M^{p-1}-m^{p-1})^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q}(p-1)^{1/p}m^{1/q}M^{1/q}}\right)$$

$$\times \left(\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}+\left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}\right]\right)^{1/q}\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{(M-m)^{1/q}(M^{p-1}-m^{p-1})^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q}(p-1)^{1/p}m^{1/q}M^{1/q}}\right)$$

where $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

Proof. In 1998, Dragomir and Wang proved the following Ostrowski type inequality [5]:

Let $f:[a,b]\to\mathbb{R}$ be an absolutely continuous function on [a,b]. If $f'\in L_p[a,b]$, then we have the inequality

$$(2.11) \qquad \left| f(t) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(s) dt \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}} \left[\left(\frac{t-a}{b-a} \right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{b-t}{b-a} \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} (b-a)^{1/q} \|f'\|_{[a,b],p},$$

for all $t \in [a, b]$, where $p > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ and $\|\cdot\|_{[a, b], p}$ is the *p*-Lebesgue norm on $L_p[a, b]$, i.e., we recall it

$$\|g\|_{[a,b],p} := \left(\int_a^b |g(t)|^p dt\right)^{1/p}.$$

If we take $f(t) = \ln t$, $t \in [a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$ in (2.11) and observe that

$$||f'||_{[a,b],p} := \left(\int_a^b t^{-p} dt\right)^{1/p} = \left(\frac{b^{-p+1} - a^{-p+1}}{1 - p}\right)^{1/p}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\frac{1}{b^{p-1}} - \frac{1}{a^{p-1}}}{1 - p}\right)^{1/p} = \left[\frac{b^{p-1} - a^{p-1}}{(p-1)a^{p-1}b^{p-1}}\right]^{1/p}$$

$$= \frac{\left(b^{p-1} - a^{p-1}\right)^{1/p}}{(p-1)^{1/p}a^{1-1/p}b^{1-1/p}} = \frac{\left(b^{p-1} - a^{p-1}\right)^{1/p}}{(p-1)^{1/p}a^{1/q}b^{1/q}}$$

then we get

$$(2.12) |\ln t - \ln I_d(a,b)|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q} (p-1)^{1/p}} \left[\left(\frac{t-a}{b-a} \right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{b-t}{b-a} \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q}$$

$$\times \frac{(b-a)^{1/q} \left(b^{p-1} - a^{p-1} \right)^{1/p}}{a^{1/q} b^{1/q}}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q} (p-1)^{1/p}} \frac{(b-a)^{1/q} \left(b^{p-1} - a^{p-1} \right)^{1/p}}{a^{1/q} b^{1/q}}$$

for $t \in [a, b]$, since

$$\left(\frac{t-a}{b-a}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{b-t}{b-a}\right)^{q+1} \le 1$$

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

This implies as above

$$-\frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q}(p-1)^{1/p}} \left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q}$$

$$\times \frac{(M-m)^{1/q} \left(M^{p-1} - m^{p-1} \right)^{1/p}}{m^{1/q} M^{1/q}}$$

$$\leq \ln A - \ln I_d(a,b) I$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{(q+1)^{1/q} (p-1)^{1/p}} \left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q}$$

$$\times \frac{(M-m)^{1/q} \left(M^{p-1} - m^{p-1} \right)^{1/p}}{m^{1/q} M^{1/q}} .$$

Following a similar argument as above, we get the trace inequalities

$$-\frac{(M-m)^{1/q} (M^{p-1}-m^{p-1})^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q} (p-1)^{1/p} m^{1/q} M^{1/q}} \times \operatorname{tr} \left(P \left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} \right)$$

$$\leq \operatorname{tr} (P \ln A) - \ln I_d (a,b)$$

$$\leq \frac{(M-m)^{1/q} (M^{p-1}-m^{p-1})^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q} (p-1)^{1/p} m^{1/q} M^{1/q}}$$

$$\times \operatorname{tr} \left(P \left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m} \right)^{q+1} \right]^{1/q} \right)$$

By Jensen's trace inequality for concave functions, we also have that

$$\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}\right]^{1/q}\right)$$

$$\leq \left(\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}\right)\right]\right)^{1/q}.$$

The last part follows by the fact that

$$\left(\operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{q+1}\right)\right]\right)^{1/q} \le 1$$

for $P \geq 0$ with $P \in \mathcal{B}_1(H)$ and $\operatorname{tr}(P) = 1$.

Now, by taking the exponential and making use of a similar argument as above, we derive the desired result (2.10).

Corollary 1. With the assumption of Theorem 6 we have

$$(2.13) \qquad \exp\left(-\frac{M-m}{\sqrt{3mM}}\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(-\frac{M-m}{\sqrt{3mM}}\left[\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{3}+\left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{3}\right]\right)\right]^{1/2}\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(-\frac{M-m}{\sqrt{3mM}}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{3}+\left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{3}\right]^{1/2}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{\Delta_{P}(A)}{I_{d}\left(m,M\right)}$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{M-m}{\sqrt{3mM}}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{3}+\left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{3}\right]^{1/2}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{M-m}{\sqrt{3mM}}\left[\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A-mI}{M-m}\right)^{3}+\left(\frac{MI-A}{M-m}\right)^{3}\right]\right)\right]^{1/2}\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{M-m}{\sqrt{3mM}}\right).$$

Remark 1. If we apply the inequality (2.10) for A^{-1} , then we get

$$(2.14) \qquad \exp\left(-\frac{\left(m^{-1}-M^{-1}\right)^{1/q}\left(m^{1-p}-M^{1-p}\right)^{1/p}}{\left(q+1\right)^{1/q}\left(p-1\right)^{1/p}M^{-1/q}m^{-1/q}}\right) \\ \leq \exp\left(-\frac{\left(m^{-1}-M^{-1}\right)^{1/q}\left(m^{1-p}-M^{1-p}\right)^{1/p}}{\left(q+1\right)^{1/q}\left(p-1\right)^{1/p}M^{-1/q}m^{-1/q}}\right) \\ \times \left[\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A^{-1}-M^{-1}I}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1}+\left(\frac{m^{-1}I-A^{-1}}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1}\right]\right)\right]^{1/q}\right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(-\frac{\left(m^{-1}-M^{-1}\right)^{1/q}\left(m^{1-p}-M^{1-p}\right)^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q}\left(p-1\right)^{1/p}M^{-1/q}m^{-1/q}} \right.$$

$$\times \operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A^{-1}-M^{-1}I}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{m^{-1}I-A^{-1}}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1}\right]^{1/q}\right) \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{\left[I_d\left(m^{-1},M^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1}}{\Delta_P(A)}$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{\left(m^{-1}-M^{-1}\right)^{1/q}\left(m^{1-p}-M^{1-p}\right)^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q}\left(p-1\right)^{1/p}M^{-1/q}m^{-1/q}}\right)$$

$$\times \operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A^{-1}-M^{-1}I}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{m^{-1}I-A^{-1}}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1}\right]^{1/q}\right) \right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{\left(m^{-1}-M^{-1}\right)^{1/q}\left(m^{1-p}-M^{1-p}\right)^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q}\left(p-1\right)^{1/p}M^{-1/q}m^{-1/q}}\right)$$

$$\times \left[\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left[\left(\frac{A^{-1}-M^{-1}I}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1} + \left(\frac{m^{-1}I-A^{-1}}{m^{-1}-M^{-1}}\right)^{q+1}\right]\right)\right]^{1/q} \right)$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{\left(m^{-1}-M^{-1}\right)^{1/q}\left(m^{1-p}-M^{1-p}\right)^{1/p}}{(q+1)^{1/q}\left(p-1\right)^{1/p}M^{-1/q}m^{-1/q}}\right) .$$

3. Related Results

The following results of Ostrowski type holds, see [2]:

Lemma 1. Let $f:[a,b] \subset \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be a convex function on [a,b]. Then for any $t \in [a,b]$ one has the inequality

(3.1)
$$\frac{1}{2} \left[(b-t)^2 f'_+(t) - (t-a)^2 f'_-(t) \right]$$

$$\leq \int_a^b f(s) \, ds - (b-a) f(t)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[(b-t)^2 f'_-(b) - (t-a)^2 f'_+(a) \right].$$

The constant $\frac{1}{2}$ is sharp in both inequalities. The second inequality also holds for t = a or t = b.

If the function is differentiable in $t \in (a, b)$ then the first inequality in (3.1) becomes

(3.2)
$$\left(\frac{a+b}{2}-t\right)f'(t) \leq \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(s) \, ds - f(t) \, .$$

We also have:

Theorem 9. Assume that the operator A satisfies the condition $0 < mI \le A \le MI$, where m, M are positive numbers, then

(3.3)
$$\exp\left(1 - \frac{m+M}{2}\operatorname{tr}\left(PA^{-1}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{\Delta_{P}(A)}{I_{d}(m,M)}$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{1}{m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left(A - mI\right)^{2}\right) - \frac{1}{M}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left(MI - A\right)^{2}\right)\right)$$

and

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(3.4)
$$\exp\left(1 - \frac{m^{-1} + M^{-1}}{2} \operatorname{tr}(PA)\right) \\ \leq \frac{\left[I_d\left(m^{-1}, M^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1}}{\Delta_P(A)} \\ \leq \exp\left(M \operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(A^{-1} - M^{-1}I\right)^2\right] - m \operatorname{tr}\left[P\left(m^{-1}I - A^{-1}\right)^2\right]\right).$$

Proof. Writing (3.1) and (3.2) for the convex function $f(t) = -\ln t$, then we get

$$1 - \frac{a+b}{2}t^{-1} \le \ln t - \ln I_d(a,b) \le \frac{(t-a)^2}{a} - \frac{(b-t)^2}{b},$$

for all $t \in [a, b] \subset (0, \infty)$.

If we use the functional calculus, we derive the operator inequality

$$1 - \frac{m+M}{2}A^{-1} \le \ln A - \ln I_d(m, M) \le \frac{(A-mI)^2}{m} - \frac{(MI-A)^2}{M},$$

which gives

$$1 - \frac{m+M}{2} \operatorname{tr} (PA^{-1})$$

$$\leq \operatorname{tr} (P \ln A) - \ln I_d (m, M)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{m} \operatorname{tr} \left(P (A - mI)^2 \right) - \frac{1}{M} \operatorname{tr} \left(P (MI - A)^2 \right).$$

If we take the exponential, then we get

$$\exp\left(1 - \frac{m+M}{2}\operatorname{tr}\left(PA^{-1}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{\exp\operatorname{tr}\left(P\ln A\right)}{I_d\left(m,M\right)}$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{1}{m}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left(A - mI\right)^2\right) - \frac{1}{M}\operatorname{tr}\left(P\left(MI - A\right)^2\right)\right).$$

The inequality (3.4) follows by (3.1) applied for A^{-1} .

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