

TENSORIAL AND HADAMARD PRODUCT INEQUALITIES FOR SYNCHRONOUS FUNCTIONS OF SELFADJOINT OPERATORS IN HILBERT SPACES

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

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

and the inequality for Hadamard product

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

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

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

and

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

1. INTRODUCTION

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

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

is the spectral resolution of A_i for $i = 1, \dots, k$; by following [2], we define

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

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

If the Hilbert spaces are of finite dimension, then the above integrals become finite sums, and we may consider the functional calculus for arbitrary real functions. This construction [2] extends the definition of Korányi [4] for functions of two variables and have the property that

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

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

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

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

and if f is continuous on $[0, \infty)$, then [6, p. 173]

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

This follows by observing that, if

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

are the spectral resolutions of A and B , then

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

In 2007, S. Wada [8] obtained the following *Callebaut type inequalities* for tensorial product

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{aligned} (A \# B) \otimes (A \# B) &\leq \frac{1}{2} [(A \#_\alpha B) \otimes (A \#_{1-\alpha} B) + (A \#_{1-\alpha} B) \otimes (A \#_\alpha B)] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (A \otimes B + B \otimes A) \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$, where $\{e_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ is an *orthonormal basis* for the separable Hilbert space H .

It is known that, see [5], we have the representation

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

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

If f is *super-multiplicative* (*sub-multiplicative*) on $[0, \infty)$, then also [6, p. 173]

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

We recall the following elementary inequalities for the Hadamard product

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

and Fiedler inequality

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

As extension of Kadison's Schwarz inequality on the Hadamard product, Ando [1] showed that

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

and Aujla and Vasudeva [3] gave an alternative upper bound

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

It has been shown in [7] that $(A^2 \circ 1)^{1/2} (B^2 \circ 1)^{1/2}$ and $(A^2 \circ B^2)^{1/2}$ are incomparable for 2-square positive definite matrices A and B .

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

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and

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

2. MAIN RESULTS

We start to the following main result:

Theorem 1. *Assume that f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h, k nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. If A, B are selfadjoint with spectra $\text{Sp}(A), \text{Sp}(B) \subset I$, then*

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & [h(A)f(A)g(A)] \otimes k(B) + h(A) \otimes [k(B)f(B)g(B)] \\ & \geq [h(A)f(A)] \otimes [k(B)g(B)] + [h(A)g(A)] \otimes [k(B)f(B)] \end{aligned}$$

or, equivalently

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & (h(A) \otimes k(B)) [(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B))] \\ & \geq (h(A) \otimes k(B)) [f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B)]. \end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

for all $t, s \in I$.

We multiply this inequality by $h(t)k(s) \geq 0$ to get

$$\begin{aligned} & f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) + h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s) \\ & \geq f(t)h(t)g(s)k(s) + f(s)k(s)g(t)h(t) \end{aligned}$$

for all $t, s \in I$.

If we take the double integral, then we get

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

Observe that

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

and

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

By utilizing (2.3) we derive (2.2).

Now, by making use of the tensorial property

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

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

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

and

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

which proves (2.2). \square

Remark 1. With the assumptions of Theorem 1 and if we take $k = h$, then we get

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} & [h(A) f(A) g(A)] \otimes h(B) + h(A) \otimes [h(B) f(B) g(B)] \\ & \geq [h(A) f(A)] \otimes [h(B) g(B)] + [h(A) g(A)] \otimes [h(B) f(B)], \end{aligned}$$

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

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

$$(2.5) \quad (f(A) g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B) g(B)) \geq f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B),$$

where f, g are synchronous and continuous on I

Corollary 1. Assume that f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h, k nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. If A, B are selfadjoint with spectra $\text{Sp}(A), \text{Sp}(B) \subset I$, then

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & k(B) \circ [h(A) f(A) g(A)] + h(A) \circ [k(B) f(B) g(B)] \\ & \geq [h(A) f(A)] \circ [k(B) g(B)] + [k(B) f(B)] \circ [h(A) g(A)]. \end{aligned}$$

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

In particular, we have

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & h(B) \circ [h(A) f(A) g(A)] + h(A) \circ [h(B) f(B) g(B)] \\ & \geq [h(A) f(A)] \circ [h(B) g(B)] + [h(B) f(B)] \circ [h(A) g(A)] \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(2.8) \quad (f(A) g(A) + (f(B) g(B))) \circ 1 \geq f(A) \circ g(B) + f(B) \circ g(A).$$

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

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

which is equivalent to (2.6). \square

Corollary 2. Assume that f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h, k nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. If A_j, B_j are selfadjoint with spectra $\text{Sp}(A_j), \text{Sp}(B_j) \subset I$ and $p_j, q_j \geq 0, j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then

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

In particular,

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

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

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

Proof. We have from (2.1) that

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

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

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

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

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

Remark 2. If we take $B_i = A_i$ and $p_i = q_i$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then we get

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

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

By (2.12) we also have the inequality for the Hadamard product

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

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

We also have:

Theorem 2. Let $f, g : [m, M] \subset \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous on $[m, M]$ and differentiable on (m, M) with $g'(t) \neq 0$ for $t \in (m, M)$. Assume that

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

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

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

In particular,

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

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

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

Therefore

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

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

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

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

If we multiply by $h(t)h(s) \geq 0$, then we get

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

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

This implies that

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

and by performing the calculations as in the proof of Theorem 1, we derive (2.14). \square

Corollary 3. *With the assumptions of Theorem 2 we have*

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

In particular,

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

We also have:

Corollary 4. *With the assumptions of Theorem 2 and if A_j are selfadjoint with spectra $\text{Sp}(A_j) \subset I$ and $p_j \geq 0$, $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, with $\sum_{j=1}^n p_j = 1$, then*

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

Also,

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

Proof. From (2.15) we get

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

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

If we multiply by $p_i p_j \geq 0$ and sum, then we get

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

which gives (2.18). \square

3. SOME EXAMPLES

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

$$(3.1) \quad A^{r+p+q} \otimes B^r + A^r \otimes B^{r+p+q} \geq A^{r+p} \otimes B^{r+q} + A^{r+q} \otimes B^{r+p},$$

while from (2.6) we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad A^{r+p+q} \circ B^r + A^r \circ B^{r+p+q} \geq A^{r+p} \circ B^{r+q} + A^{r+q} \circ B^{r+p}.$$

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

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

$$(3.3) \quad A^{r+2p} \otimes B^r + A^r \otimes B^{r+2p} \geq 2A^{r+p} \otimes B^{r+p},$$

and

$$(3.4) \quad A^{r+2p} \circ B^r + A^r \circ B^{r+2p} \geq 2A^{r+p} \circ B^{r+p}$$

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

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

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

while from (2.6) we obtain

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.7) \quad & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \\
& \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^q \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i A_i^p \right),
\end{aligned}$$

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

In particular, we derive

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

and

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

From (2.13) we obtain

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

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

In particular, we have

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

and

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

and

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

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

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

and for $p < q$

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

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

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

and for $p < q$

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

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

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

and for $p < q$

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

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

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

while for $p < q$

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.21) \quad &\exp[(\alpha + \beta)A] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \exp[(\alpha + \beta)B] \\
 &\geq \exp(\alpha A) \otimes \exp(\beta B) + \exp(\beta A) \otimes \exp(\alpha B),
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(3.22) \quad \begin{aligned} & \exp [(\alpha + \beta) A] \circ 1 + 1 \circ \exp [(\alpha + \beta) B] \\ & \geq \exp (\alpha A) \circ \exp (\beta B) + \exp (\beta A) \circ \exp (\alpha B). \end{aligned}$$

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

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

$$(3.23) \quad (A^p \ln A) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (B^p \ln B) \geq A^p \otimes \ln B + \ln A \otimes B^p,$$

and

$$(3.24) \quad (A^p \ln A + B^p \ln B) \circ 1 \geq A^p \circ \ln B + \ln A \circ B^p,$$

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

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