



Tensorial and Hadamard Product Inequalities for Synchronous Functions

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Abstract

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

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

and the inequality for Hadamard product

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

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

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

and

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

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1. Introduction

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

whenever *f* can be separated as a product $f(t_1, ..., t_k) = f_1(t_1) ... f_k(t_k)$ of *k* functions each depending on only one variable. It is know that, if *f* is super-multiplicative (sub-multiplicative) on $[0, \infty)$, namely

$$f(st) \ge (\le) f(s) f(t)$$
 for all $s, t \in [0, \infty)$

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

$$f(A \otimes B) \ge (\le) f(A) \otimes f(B) \text{ for all } A, B \ge 0.$$

$$(1.2)$$

This follows by observing that, if

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

are the spectral resolutions of A and B, then

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

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

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

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

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

$$A#B = B#A$$
 and $(A#B) \otimes (B#A) = (A \otimes B) # (B \otimes A)$.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

where $\mathscr{U}: H \to H \otimes H$ is the isometry defined by $\mathscr{U}e_i = e_i \otimes e_i$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$.

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

$$f(A \circ B) \ge (\le) f(A) \circ f(B) \text{ for all } A, B \ge 0.$$

$$(1.6)$$

We recall the following elementary inequalities for the Hadamard product

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

and Fiedler inequality

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

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

$$A \circ B \le (A^2 \circ 1)^{1/2} (B^2 \circ 1)^{1/2}$$
 for $A, B \ge 0$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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$$(f(A)g(A) + f(B)g(B)) \circ 1 \ge f(A) \circ g(B) + f(B) \circ g(A)$$

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

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

and

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

2. Main Results

We start with the following main result:

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

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

or, equivalently

$$(h(A) \otimes k(B))\left[(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B))\right] \ge (h(A) \otimes k(B))\left[f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B)\right].$$

$$(2.2)$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\int_{I} \int_{I} [f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) + h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s)
\geq \int_{I} \int_{I} [f(t)h(t)g(s)k(s) + f(s)k(s)g(t)h(t)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s).$$
(2.3)

Observe that

$$\int_{I} \int_{I} [f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) + h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s)] dE(t) \otimes dF(s) = \int_{I} \int_{I} f(t)g(t)h(t)k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) + \int_{I} \int_{I} h(t)f(s)g(s)k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) = [h(A)f(A)g(A)] \otimes k(B) + h(A) \otimes [k(B)f(B)g(B)]$$

and

$$\begin{split} \int_{I} \int_{I} \left[f(t) h(t) g(s) k(s) + f(s) k(s) g(t) h(t) \right] dE(t) \otimes dF(s) &= \int_{I} \int_{I} f(t) h(t) g(s) k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ &+ \int_{I} \int_{I} g(t) h(t) f(s) k(s) dE(t) \otimes dF(s) \\ &= \left[h(A) f(A) \right] \otimes \left[k(B) g(B) \right] + \left[h(A) g(A) \right] \otimes \left[k(B) f(B) \right]. \end{split}$$

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

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

and

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

which proves (2.2).

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

$$[h(A) f(A) g(A)] \otimes h(B) + h(A) \otimes [h(B) f(B) g(B)] \ge [h(A) f(A)] \otimes [h(B) g(B)] + [h(A) g(A)] \otimes [h(B) f(B)], \quad (2.4)$$

where f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h is nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. Moreover, if we take $h \equiv 1$ in (2.4), then we get

$$(f(A)g(A)) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes (f(B)g(B)) \ge f(A) \otimes g(B) + g(A) \otimes f(B),$$

$$(2.5)$$

where f, g are synchronous and continuous on I

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

$$k(B) \circ [h(A) f(A) g(A)] + h(A) \circ [k(B) f(B) g(B)] \ge [h(A) f(A)] \circ [k(B) g(B)] + [k(B) f(B)] \circ [h(A) g(A)].$$
(2.6)

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

$$h(B) \circ [h(A) f(A) g(A)] + h(A) \circ [h(B) f(B) g(B)] \ge [h(A) f(A)] \circ [h(B) g(B)] + [h(B) f(B)] \circ [h(A) g(A)]$$

$$(2.7)$$

and

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} \mathscr{U}^*\left(\left[h\left(A\right)f\left(A\right)g\left(A\right)\right]\otimes k\left(B\right)\right)\mathscr{U}+\mathscr{U}^*\left(h\left(A\right)\otimes\left[k\left(B\right)f\left(B\right)g\left(B\right)\right]\right)\mathscr{U}\geq \mathscr{U}^*\left(\left[h\left(A\right)f\left(A\right)\right]\otimes\left[k\left(B\right)g\left(B\right)\right]\right)\mathscr{U}\\ +\mathscr{U}^*\left(\left[h\left(A\right)g\left(A\right)\right]\otimes\left[k\left(B\right)f\left(B\right)\right]\right)\mathscr{U}\end{aligned}$$
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Corollary 2.4. Assume that f, g are synchronous and continuous on I and h, k nonnegative and continuous on the same interval. If A_j , B_j are selfadjoint with spectra $Sp(A_j)$, $Sp(B_j) \subset I$ and $p_j, q_j \ge 0$, $j \in \{1, ..., n\}$, then

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})f(A_{j})g(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}k(B_{i})\right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}k(B_{i})f(B_{i})g(B_{i})\right)$$

$$\geq \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})f(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}k(B_{i})g(B_{i})\right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})g(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}k(B_{i})f(B_{i})\right).$$
(2.9)

In particular,

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})f(A_{j})g(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}h(B_{i})\right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}h(B_{i})g(B_{i})\right) \\ \geq \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})f(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}h(B_{i})g(B_{i})\right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}h(A_{j})g(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}h(B_{i})f(B_{i})\right)$$
(2.10)

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

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}f(A_{j})g(A_{j})\right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}f(B_{i})g(B_{i})\right) \geq \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}f(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}g(B_{i})\right) + \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} p_{j}g(A_{j})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} q_{i}f(B_{i})\right).$$

$$(2.11)$$

Proof. We have from (2.1) that

$$[h(A_j) f(A_j) g(A_j)] \otimes k(B_i) + h(A_j) \otimes [k(B_i) f(B_i) g(B_i)] \ge [h(A_j) f(A_j)] \otimes [k(B_i) g(B_i)] + [h(A_j) g(A_j)] \otimes [k(B_i) f(B_i)]$$

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

$$\sum_{j,i=1}^{n} p_{j}q_{i}[h(A_{j})f(A_{j})g(A_{j})] \otimes k(B_{i}) + \sum_{j,i=1}^{n} p_{j}q_{i}p_{j}q_{i}h(A_{j}) \otimes [k(B_{i})f(B_{i})g(B_{i})]$$

$$\geq \sum_{j,i=1}^{n} p_{j}q_{i}[h(A_{j})f(A_{j})] \otimes [k(B_{i})g(B_{i})] + \sum_{j,i=1}^{n} p_{j}q_{i}[h(A_{j})g(A_{j})] \otimes [k(B_{i})f(B_{i})]$$

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

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

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i})g(A_{i})\right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i})g(A_{i})\right) \geq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i})\right) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i})\right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i})\right),$$
(2.12)

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

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

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

We also have:

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

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

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

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

In particular,

$$\gamma \left[g^2(A) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(B) - 2g(A) \otimes g(B) \right] \leq \left[f(A)g(A) \right] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left[f(B)g(B) \right] - f(A) \otimes g(B) - g(A) \otimes f(B) \\ \leq \Gamma \left[g^2(A) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^2(B) - 2g(A) \otimes g(B) \right].$$

$$(2.15)$$

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

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

Therefore

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

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

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

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

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

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

This implies that

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

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

Corollary 2.7. *With the assumptions of Theorem 2.6 we have*

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

In particular,

$$\gamma \left[\left[g^{2}(A) + g^{2}(B) \right] \circ 1 - 2g(A) \circ g(B) \right] \leq \left[f(A)g(A) + \left[f(B)g(B) \right] \right] \circ 1 - f(A) \circ g(B) - g(A) \circ f(B)$$

$$\leq \Gamma \left[\left[g^{2}(A) + g^{2}(B) \right] \circ 1 - 2g(A) \circ g(B) \right].$$
(2.17)

We also have:

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

$$\gamma \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g^{2}(A_{i}) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g^{2}(A_{i}) \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \right) \right\} \\
\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i})g(A_{i}) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i})g(A_{i}) \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i}) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \\
- \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i}) \right) \\
\leq \Gamma \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g^{2}(A_{i}) \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g^{2}(A_{i}) \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \right\}.$$
(2.18)

Also,

$$\gamma \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g^{2}(A_{i}) \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \right]$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i})g(A_{i}) \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}f(A_{i}) \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right)$$

$$\leq \Gamma \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g^{2}(A_{i}) \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i}g(A_{i}) \right) \right].$$
(2.19)

Proof. From (2.15) we get

$$\gamma \left[g^{2}(A_{i}) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^{2}(A_{j}) - 2g(A_{i}) \otimes g(A_{j}) \right] \leq \left[f(A_{i}) g(A_{i}) \right] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left[f(A_{j}) g(A_{j}) \right] \\ - f(A_{i}) \otimes g(A_{j}) - g(A_{i}) \otimes f(A_{j}) \\ \leq \Gamma \left[g^{2}(A_{i}) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^{2}(A_{j}) - 2g(A_{i}) \otimes g(A_{j}) \right]$$

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

$$\begin{split} \gamma \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} p_{i} p_{j} \left[g^{2} \left(A_{i} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^{2} \left(A_{j} \right) - 2g \left(A_{i} \right) \otimes g \left(A_{j} \right) \right] &\leq \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} p_{i} p_{j} \left\{ \left[f \left(A_{i} \right) g \left(A_{i} \right) \right] \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left[f \left(A_{j} \right) g \left(A_{j} \right) \right] \right\} \\ &- f \left(A_{i} \right) \otimes g \left(A_{j} \right) - g \left(A_{i} \right) \otimes f \left(A_{j} \right) \right\} \\ &\leq \Gamma \sum_{i,j=1}^{n} p_{i} p_{j} \left[g^{2} \left(A_{i} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes g^{2} \left(A_{j} \right) - 2g \left(A_{i} \right) \otimes g \left(A_{j} \right) \right], \end{split}$$

which gives (2.18).

3. Some Examples

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

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

while from (2.6) we obtain

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

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

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

and

$$A^{r+2p} \circ B^r + A^r \circ B^{r+2p} \ge 2A^{r+p} \circ B^{r+p}$$

$$(3.4)$$

for $p, r \in \mathbb{R}$ and A, B > 0. If we take q = -p, then we get

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

while from (2.6) we obtain

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

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

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

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

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

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

and

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

From (2.13) we obtain

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

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

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

and

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

for $p \in \mathbb{R}$, $A_j > 0$, $p_j \ge 0$, $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $\sum_{j=1}^n p_j = 1$. Consider the functions $f(t) = t^p$, $g(t) = t^q$ defined on $(0, \infty)$. Then $f'(t) = pt^{p-1}$, $g'(t) = qt^{q-1}$ for t > 0 and

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

Assume that either $p, q \in (0, \infty)$ or $p, q \in (-\infty, 0)$. Then $\frac{p}{q} > 0$ and $\frac{f'(t)}{g'(t)}$ is increasing for p > q and decreasing for p < q and constant 1 for p = q. Assume that $0 < m \le A, B \le M$, 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 $0 < m \le A, B \le M$. From (2.15) we get for p > q that

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left(A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q \right)$$

$$\leq A^{p+q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{p+q} - A^p \otimes B^q - A^q \otimes B^p$$

$$\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left(A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q \right)$$
(3.13)

and for p < q

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left(A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q \right)$$

$$\leq A^{p+q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{p+q} - A^p \otimes B^q - A^q \otimes B^p$$

$$\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left(A^{2q} \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes B^{2q} - 2A^q \otimes B^q \right).$$
(3.14)

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

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left(\left(A^{2q} + B^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - 2A^{q} \circ B^{q} \right) \\ \leq \left(A^{p+q} + B^{p+q} \right) \circ 1 - A^{p} \circ B^{q} - A^{q} \circ B^{p} \\ \leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left(\left(A^{2q} + B^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - 2A^{q} \circ B^{q} \right)$$
(3.15)

and for p < q

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left(\left(A^{2q} + B^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - 2A^{q} \circ B^{q} \right)$$

$$\leq \left(A^{p+q} + B^{p+q} \right) \circ 1 - A^{p} \circ B^{q} - A^{q} \circ B^{p}$$

$$\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left(\left(A^{2q} + B^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - 2A^{q} \circ B^{q} \right).$$
(3.16)

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

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q}m^{p-q}\left\{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{2q}\right)\otimes1+1\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{2q}\right)-2\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)\right\}$$
$$\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{p+q}\right)\otimes1+1\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{p+q}\right)-\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{p}\right)\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)-\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)\right)\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)\right\}$$
$$\leq \frac{p}{q}M^{p-q}\left\{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{2q}\right)\otimes1+1\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{2q}\right)-2\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)\otimes\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n}p_{i}A_{i}^{q}\right)\right\}$$
(3.17)

and for p < q

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{2q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{2q} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{q} \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{q} \right) \right\}$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{p+q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{p+q} \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{p} \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{q} \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{q} \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{q} \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{p} \right) \right\}$$

$$\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left\{ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{2q} \right) \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{2q} \right) - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{q} \right) \otimes \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_{i} A_{i}^{q} \right) \right\}.$$
(3.18)

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

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \right]$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{p} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \right],$$
(3.19)

while for p < q

$$0 \leq \frac{p}{q} M^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \right]$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{p+q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{p} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right)$$

$$\leq \frac{p}{q} m^{p-q} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{2q} \right) \circ 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i A_i^{q} \right) \right].$$
(3.20)

Consider the exponential functions $f(t) = \exp(\alpha t)$, $g(t) = \exp(\beta t)$ with $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. If $\alpha\beta > 0$ then the functions have the same monotonicity. If $\alpha\beta < 0$ they have different monotonicity. If $\alpha\beta > 0$ and *A*, *B* are selfadjoint operators, then by (2.5) we get

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

and

$$\exp\left[\left(\alpha+\beta\right)A\right]\circ 1+1\circ \exp\left[\left(\alpha+\beta\right)B\right]\geq \exp\left(\alpha A\right)\circ \exp\left(\beta B\right)+\exp\left(\beta A\right)\circ \exp\left(\alpha B\right).$$
(3.22)

If $\alpha\beta < 0$, then the reverse inequality holds in (3.21) and (3.22). If we take $f(t) = t^p$ and $g(t) = \ln t$, we also have the logarithmic inequalities

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

and

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

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

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