

## UNITARILY INVARIANT NORM INEQUALITIES INVOLVING $G_1$ OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we present some upper bounds for unitarily invariant norms inequalities. Among other inequalities, we show some upper bounds for the Hilbert-Schmidt norm. In particular, we prove

$$\|f(A)Xg(B) \pm g(B)Xf(A)\|_2 \leq \left\| \frac{(I+|A|)X(I+|B|) \pm (I+|B|)X(I+|A|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2,$$

where  $A, B, X \in \mathbb{M}_n$  such that  $A, B$  are Hermitian with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $f, g$  are analytic on the complex unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $g(0) = f(0) = 1$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(f) > 0$  and  $\operatorname{Re}(g) > 0$ .

### 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra of all bounded linear operators on a separable complex Hilbert space  $\mathbf{H}$  with the identity  $I$ . In the case when  $\dim \mathbf{H} = n$ , we determine  $\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  by the matrix algebra  $\mathbb{M}_n$  of all  $n \times n$  matrices having associated with entries in the complex field. If  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , then we write  $z$  instead of  $zI$ . For any operator  $A$  in the algebra  $\mathbb{K}(\mathbf{H})$  of all compact operators, we denote by  $\{s_j(A)\}$  the sequence of singular values of  $A$ , i.e., the eigenvalues  $\lambda_j(|A|)$ , where  $|A| = (A^*A)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , enumerated as  $s_1(A) \geq s_2(A) \geq \dots$  in decreasing order and repeated according to multiplicity. If the rank  $A$  is  $n$ , we put  $s_k(A) = 0$  for any  $k > n$ . Note that  $s_j(X) = s_j(X^*) = s_j(|X|)$  and  $s_j(AXB) \leq \|A\| \|B\| s_j(X)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) for all  $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  and all  $X \in \mathbb{K}(\mathbf{H})$ .

A unitarily invariant norm is a map  $\|\cdot\| : \mathbb{K}(\mathbf{H}) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  given by  $\|A\| = g(s_1(A), s_2(A), \dots)$ , where  $g$  is a symmetric norming function. The set  $\mathcal{C}_{\|\cdot\|}$  including  $\{A \in \mathbb{K}(\mathbf{H}) : \|A\| < \infty\}$  is a closed self-adjoint ideal  $\mathcal{J}$  of  $\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  containing finite rank operators. It enjoys the property [6]:

$$(1) \quad \|AXB\| \leq \|A\| \|B\| \|X\|$$

for  $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  and  $X \in \mathcal{J}$ . Inequality (1) implies that  $\|UXV\| = \|X\|$ , where  $U$  and  $V$  are arbitrary unitaries in  $\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  and  $X \in \mathcal{J}$ . In addition,

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employing the polar decomposition of  $X = W|X|$  with  $W$  a partial isometry and (1), we have  $|||X||| = ||| |X| |||$ . An operator  $A \in \mathbb{K}(\mathbf{H})$  is called Hilbert-Schmidt if  $\|A\|_2 = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} s_j^2(A)\right)^{1/2} < \infty$ . The Hilbert-Schmidt norm is a unitarily invariant norm. For  $A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathbb{M}_n$ , it holds that  $\|A\|_2 = \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n |a_{i,j}|^2\right)^{1/2}$ . We use the notation  $A \oplus B$  for the diagonal block matrix  $\text{diag}(A, B)$ . Its singular values are  $s_1(A), s_1(B), s_2(A), s_2(B), \dots$ . It is evident that

$$||| \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A \\ B & 0 \end{bmatrix} ||| = ||| |A| \oplus |B| ||| = ||| A \oplus B |||,$$

$$\|A \oplus B\| = \max\{\|A\|, \|B\|\} \quad \text{and} \quad \|A \oplus B\|_2 = (\|A\|_2^2 + \|B\|_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

The inequalities involving unitarily invariant norms have been of special interest; see e.g., [4, 9] and references therein.

An operator  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  is called  $G_1$  operator if the growth condition

$$\|(z - A)^{-1}\| = \frac{1}{\text{dist}(z, \sigma(A))}$$

holds for all  $z$  not in the spectrum  $\sigma(A)$  of  $A$ , where  $\text{dist}(z, \sigma(A))$  denotes the distance between  $z$  and  $\sigma(A)$ . It is known that normal (more generally, hyponormal) operators are  $G_1$  operators (see e.g., [15]). Let  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  and  $f$  be a function which is analytic on an open neighborhood  $\Omega$  of  $\sigma(A)$  in the complex plane. Then  $f(A)$  denotes the operator defined on  $\mathbf{H}$  by the Riesz-Dunford integral as

$$f(A) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C f(z)(z - A)^{-1} dz,$$

where  $C$  is a positively oriented simple closed rectifiable contour surrounding  $\sigma(A)$  in  $\Omega$  (see e.g., [8, p. 568]). The spectral mapping theorem asserts that  $\sigma(f(A)) = f(\sigma(A))$ . Throughout this note,  $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  denotes the unit disk,  $\partial\mathbb{D}$  stands for the boundary of  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $d_A = \text{dist}(\partial\mathbb{D}, \sigma(A))$ . In addition, we denote

$$\mathfrak{A} = \{f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ is analytic, } \text{Re}(f) > 0 \text{ and } f(0) = 1\}.$$

The Sylvester type equations  $AXB \pm X = C$  have been investigated in matrix theory; see [5]. Several perturbation bounds for the norm of sum or difference of operators have been presented in the literature by employing some integral representations of certain functions; see [3, 11, 12, 16] and references therein.

In the recent paper [12], Kittaneh showed that the following inequality involving  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$

$$|||f(A)X - Xf(B)||| \leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} |||AX - XB|||,$$

where  $A, B, X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $A$  and  $B$  are  $G_1$  operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$ . In [13], the authors extended this inequality for two functions  $f, g \in \mathfrak{A}$  as follows

$$(2) \quad |||f(A)X - Xg(B)||| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} ||| |AX| + |XB| |||$$

and

$$(3) \quad |||f(A)X + Xg(B)||| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} ||| |AXB| + |X| |||,$$

in which  $A, B, X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $A$  and  $B$  are  $G_1$  operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$ . They also showed that

$$(4) \quad |||f(A)Xg(B) - X||| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} ||| |AX| + |XB| |||$$

and

$$(5) \quad |||f(A)Xg(B) + X||| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} ||| |AXB| + |X| |||,$$

where  $A, B, X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $A$  and  $B$  are  $G_1$  operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$ .

In this paper, by using some ideas from [12, 13] we present some upper bounds for unitarily invariant norms of the forms  $|||f(A)X + X\bar{f}(A)|||$  and  $|||f(A)X - X\bar{f}(A)|||$  involving  $G_1$  operator and  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$ . We also present the Hilbert-Schmidt norm inequality of the form

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f(A)Xg(B) \pm g(B)Xf(A)\|_2 \\ & \leq \left\| \frac{(I + |A|)X(I + |B|) + (I + |B|)X(I + |A|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2, \end{aligned}$$

where  $A, B, X \in \mathbb{M}_n$  such that  $A$  and  $B$  are Hermitian matrices with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $f, g \in \mathfrak{A}$ .

## 2. Main results

Our first result is some upper bounds for the Hilbert-Schmidt norm inequalities.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{M}_n$  be Hermitian matrices with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $f, g \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f(A)X + Xg(B) \pm f(A)Xg(B)\|_2 \\ & \leq \left\| \frac{X + |A|X}{d_A} + \frac{X + X|B|}{d_B} + \frac{(I + |A|)X(I + |B|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|f(A)Xg(B) \pm g(B)Xf(A)\|_2 \leq \left\| \frac{(I + |A|)X(I + |B|) + (I + |B|)X(I + |A|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2,$$

where  $X \in \mathbb{M}_n$ .

*Proof.* Let  $A = U\Lambda U^*$  and  $B = V\Gamma V^*$  be the spectral decomposition of  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$ ,  $\Gamma = \text{diag}(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$  and let  $U^*XV := [y_{j,k}]$ . It follows from  $|e^{i\alpha} - \lambda_j| \geq d_A$  and  $|e^{i\beta} - \gamma_k| \geq d_B$  that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|f(A)X + Xg(B) \pm f(A)Xg(B)\|_2^2 \\
&= \sum_{j,k} |f(\lambda_j)y_{j,k} + y_{j,k}g(\gamma_k) \pm f(\lambda_j)y_{j,k}g(\gamma_k)|^2 \\
&= \sum_{j,k} |f(\lambda_j) \pm f(\lambda_j)g(\gamma_k) + g(\gamma_k)|^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&= \sum_{j,k} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\alpha+\lambda_j}}{e^{i\alpha-\lambda_j}} + \frac{e^{i\beta+\gamma_k}}{e^{i\beta-\gamma_k}} \pm \frac{(e^{i\alpha+\lambda_j})(e^{i\beta+\gamma_k})}{(e^{i\alpha-\lambda_j})(e^{i\beta-\gamma_k})} d\mu(\alpha)d\mu(\beta) \right|^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j,k} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{|e^{i\alpha+\lambda_j}|}{|e^{i\alpha-\lambda_j}|} + \frac{|e^{i\beta+\gamma_k}|}{|e^{i\beta-\gamma_k}|} + \frac{|e^{i\alpha+\lambda_j}||e^{i\beta+\gamma_k}|}{|e^{i\alpha-\lambda_j}||e^{i\beta-\gamma_k}|} d\mu(\alpha)d\mu(\beta) \right)^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j,k} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1+|\lambda_j|}{d_A} + \frac{(1+|\lambda_j|)(1+|\gamma_k|)}{d_A d_B} + \frac{1+|\gamma_k|}{d_B} d\mu(\alpha)d\mu(\beta) \right)^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j,k} \left( \frac{1+|\lambda_j|}{d_A} + \frac{1+|\gamma_k|}{d_B} + \frac{(1+|\lambda_j|)(1+|\gamma_k|)}{d_A d_B} \right)^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&= \left\| \frac{X+|A|X}{d_A} + \frac{X+X|B|}{d_B} + \frac{(I+|A|)X(I+|B|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Then we get the first inequality. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|f(A)Xg(B) \pm g(B)Xf(A)\|_2^2 \\
&= \sum_{j,k} |f(\lambda_j)y_{j,k}g(\gamma_k) \pm g(\gamma_j)y_{j,k}f(\lambda_k)|^2 \\
&= \sum_{j,k} |f(\lambda_j)g(\gamma_k) \pm g(\gamma_j)f(\lambda_k)|^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&= \sum_{j,k} \left| \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(e^{i\alpha+\lambda_j})(e^{i\beta+\gamma_k})}{(e^{i\alpha-\lambda_j})(e^{i\beta-\gamma_k})} \pm \frac{(e^{i\beta+\gamma_j})(e^{i\alpha+\lambda_k})}{(e^{i\beta-\gamma_j})(e^{i\alpha-\lambda_k})} d\mu(\alpha)d\mu(\beta) \right|^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j,k} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{|e^{i\alpha+\lambda_j}||e^{i\beta+\gamma_k}|}{|e^{i\alpha-\lambda_j}||e^{i\beta-\gamma_k}|} + \frac{|e^{i\beta+\gamma_j}||e^{i\alpha+\lambda_k}|}{|e^{i\beta-\gamma_j}||e^{i\alpha-\lambda_k}|} d\mu(\alpha)d\mu(\beta) \right)^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j,k} \left( \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(1+|\lambda_j|)(1+|\gamma_k|)}{d_A d_B} + \frac{(1+|\gamma_j|)(1+|\lambda_k|)}{d_A d_B} d\mu(\alpha)d\mu(\beta) \right)^2 |y_{j,k}|^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j,k} \left( \frac{(1+|\lambda_j|)(1+|\gamma_k|)}{d_A d_B} + \frac{(1+|\gamma_j|)(1+|\lambda_k|)}{d_A d_B} \right)^2 |y_{j,k}|^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \sum_{j,k} \left( \frac{(1+|\lambda_j|)y_{j,k}(1+|\gamma_k|)}{d_A d_B} + \frac{(1+|\gamma_j|)y_{j,k}(1+|\lambda_k|)}{d_A d_B} \right)^2 \\ &= \left\| \frac{(I+|A|)X(I+|B|)+(I+|B|)X(I+|A|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Now, if we put  $X = I$  in Theorem 2.1, then we get the next result.

**Corollary 2.2.** *Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{M}_n$  be Hermitian matrices with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $f, g \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then*

$$\|f(A) + g(B) \pm f(A)g(B)\|_2 \leq \left\| \frac{I + |A|}{d_A} + \frac{I + |B|}{d_B} + \frac{(I + |A|)(I + |B|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2$$

and

$$\|f(A)g(B) \pm g(B)f(A)\|_2 \leq \left\| \frac{(I + |A|)(I + |B|) + (I + |B|)(I + |A|)}{d_A d_B} \right\|_2.$$

To prove the next results, the following lemma is required.

**Lemma 2.3.** *Let  $A, B, X, Y \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $X$  and  $Y$  are compact. Then*

- (a)  $s_j(AX \pm YB) \leq 2\sqrt{\|A\|\|B\|}s_j(X \oplus Y)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ );
- (b)  $\| |(AX \pm YB) \oplus 0| \| \leq 2\sqrt{\|A\|\|B\|} \| |X \oplus Y| \|$ .

*Proof.* Using [11, Theorem 2.2] we have

$$s_j(AX \pm YB) \leq (\|A\| + \|B\|)s_j(X \oplus Y) \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots).$$

If we replace  $A, B, X$  and  $Y$  by  $tA, \frac{B}{t}, \frac{X}{t}$  and  $tY$ , respectively, then we get

$$s_j(AX \pm YB) \leq (t\|A\| + \frac{\|B\|}{t})s_j(X \oplus Y) \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots).$$

It follows from  $\min_{t>0}(t\|A\| + \frac{\|B\|}{t}) = 2\sqrt{\|A\|\|B\|}$  that we reach the first inequality. The second inequality can be proven by the first inequality and the Ky Fan dominance theorem [6, Theorem IV.2.2]; see also [1].  $\square$

Now, by applying Lemma 2.3 we obtain the following result.

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $A, B, X, Y \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  and  $f, g \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then*

$$\| |(f(A) - g(B))X \pm Y(f(B) - g(A)) \oplus 0| \| \leq \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |A| + |B| \| \| |X \oplus Y| \|$$

and

$$\| |(f(A) + g(B))X \pm Y(f(B) + g(A)) \oplus 0| \| \leq \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |I + |AB| \| \| |X \oplus Y| \|,$$

where  $X, Y$  are compact and  $A, B$  are  $G_1$  operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$ .

*Proof.* Using Lemma 2.3 and inequalities (2) and (3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\| |(f(A) - g(B))X \pm Y(f(B) - g(A)) \oplus 0| \| \\ &\leq 2\|f(A) - g(B)\|^{\frac{1}{2}}\|f(B) - g(A)\|^{\frac{1}{2}}\| |X \oplus Y| \| \quad (\text{by Lemma 2.3}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 2\sqrt{\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |A| + |B| \|} \sqrt{\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |B| + |A| \|} \| |X \oplus Y| \| \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{(by inequality (2))} \\
&= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |A| + |B| \| \| |X \oplus Y| \|.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\| |((f(A) + g(B))X \pm Y(f(B) + g(A))) \oplus 0| \| \\
&\leq 2\| |f(A) + g(B)| \|^{\frac{1}{2}} \| |f(B) + g(A)| \|^{\frac{1}{2}} \| |X \oplus Y| \| \text{ (by Lemma 2.3)} \\
&\leq 2\sqrt{\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |I + |AB| \|} \sqrt{\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |I + |AB| \|} \| |X \oplus Y| \| \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{(by inequality (3))} \\
&= \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |I + |AB| \| \| |X \oplus Y| \|. \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  be  $G_1$  operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then for every  $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$*

$$(6) \quad \| |f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B)| \| \leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} \| |X - AXB^*| \|$$

and

$$(7) \quad \| |f(A)X - X\bar{f}(B)| \| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} \| |AX| + |XB^*| \|.$$

*Proof.* Using the Herglotz representation theorem (see e.g., [7, p. 21]) we have

$$f(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\alpha} + z}{e^{i\alpha} - z} d\mu(\alpha) + i\text{Im} f(0) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\alpha} + z}{e^{i\alpha} - z} d\mu(\alpha),$$

where  $\mu$  is a positive Borel measure on the interval  $[0, 2\pi]$  with finite total mass  $\int_0^{2\pi} d\mu(\alpha) = f(0) = 1$ . Hence

$$\bar{f}(z) = \overline{\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\alpha} + z}{e^{i\alpha} - z} d\mu(\alpha)} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{-i\alpha} + \bar{z}}{e^{-i\alpha} - \bar{z}} d\mu(\alpha),$$

where  $\bar{f}$  is the conjugate function of  $f$  (i.e.,  $\bar{f}f = |f|^2$ ). So

$$\begin{aligned}
&f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B) \\
&= \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} + A)(e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} X + X(e^{-i\alpha} + B^*)(e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \\
&= \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} \left[ (e^{i\alpha} + A)X(e^{-i\alpha} - B^*) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (e^{i\alpha} - A)X(e^{-i\alpha} + B^*) \right] (e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha)
\end{aligned}$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (X - AXB^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha).$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \left\| f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B) \right\| \right\| \\ &= \left\| \left\| \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} + A) (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} X + X (e^{-i\alpha} + B^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \right\| \right\| \\ &= 2 \left\| \left\| \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (X - AXB^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \right\| \right\| \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left\| (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (X - AXB^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} \right\| d\mu(\alpha) \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left\| (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} \right\| \left\| (e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} \right\| \left\| X - AXB^* \right\| d\mu(\alpha) \\ &\quad \text{(by inequality (1)).} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $A$  and  $B$  are  $G_1$  operators, it follows from  $\left\| (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} \right\| = \frac{1}{\text{dist}(e^{i\alpha}, \sigma(A))}$   
 $\leq \frac{1}{\text{dist}(\partial\mathbb{D}, \sigma(A))} = \frac{1}{d_A}$  and  $\left\| (e^{-i\alpha} - B^*)^{-1} \right\| \leq \frac{1}{d_B}$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \left\| f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B) \right\| \right\| &\leq \left( \frac{2}{d_A d_B} \int_0^{2\pi} d\mu(\alpha) \right) \left\| \left\| X - AXB^* \right\| \right\| \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{d_A d_B} f(0) \right) \left\| \left\| X - AXB^* \right\| \right\| \\ &= \frac{2}{d_A d_B} \left\| \left\| X - AXB^* \right\| \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have the first inequality. Using the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \left\| e^{-i\alpha} AX + e^{i\alpha} XB^* \right\| \right\| &= \left\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\alpha} AX + e^{i\alpha} XB^* & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right\| \\ &= \left\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\alpha} & e^{i\alpha} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} AX & 0 \\ XB^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\alpha} & e^{i\alpha} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right\| \left\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} AX & 0 \\ XB^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right\| \\ &\quad \text{(by inequality (1))} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \left\| \left\| \begin{bmatrix} AX & 0 \\ XB^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \right\| \\ &= \sqrt{2} \left\| \left\| (|AX|^2 + |XB^*|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 0 \right\| \right\| \\ &\leq \sqrt{2} \left\| \left\| (|AX| + |XB^*|) \oplus 0 \right\| \right\| \\ &\quad \text{(applying [2, p. 775] to the function } h(t) = t^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{)} \end{aligned}$$

the Ky Fan dominance theorem we have

$$(8) \quad |||e^{-i\beta}AX + e^{i\alpha}XB^*||| \leq \sqrt{2} ||| |AX| + |XB^*| |||.$$

It follows from (8) and the same argument of the proof of the first inequality that we have the second inequality and this completes the proof.  $\square$

*Remark 2.6.* Let  $f(x + yi) = u(x, y) + v(x, y)i$ , where  $u, v$  are the real and imaginary parts of  $f$ , respectively. If  $f, \bar{f} \in \mathfrak{A}$ , then the Cauchy-Riemann equations for complex analytic functions (i.e.,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$  and  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$ ) implies that  $v(x, y) = k$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{C}$ . The condition  $f(0) = 1$  conclude that  $v(x, y) = 0$ . Hence,  $f$  is a real valued function. So, for arbitrary functions  $f, g \in \mathfrak{A}$ , we can not replace  $g$  by  $\bar{f}$  in inequalities (2) and (3). Thus, in Theorem 2.5 we have been established some upper bounds for  $|||f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B)|||$  and  $|||f(A)X - X\bar{f}(B)|||$  in terms of  $|||X - AXB^*|||$  and  $||| |AX| + |XB^*| |||$ , respectively, that can not be derived from inequality (2) and (3) for an arbitrary function  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$ .

*Remark 2.7.* If  $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  are  $G_1$  operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$ , then with a similar argument in the proof of Theorem 2.5 we get the following inequalities

$$(9) \quad |||\bar{f}(A)X + Xf(B)||| \leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} |||X - A^*XB|||$$

and

$$|||\bar{f}(A)X - Xf(B)||| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{d_A d_B} ||| |A^*X| + |XB| |||,$$

where  $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$ .

*Remark 2.8.* For an arbitrary operator  $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$ , the numerical range is definition by  $W(A) = \{\langle Ax, x \rangle : x \in \mathbf{H}, \|x\| = 1\}$ . It is well-known that  $W(A)$  is a bounded convex subset of the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ . Its closure  $\overline{W(A)}$  contains  $\sigma(A)$  and is contained in  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq \|A\|\}$ . In [10], it is shown

$$\frac{1}{\text{dist}(z, \sigma(A))} \leq \|(z - A)^{-1}\| \quad (z \notin \sigma(A))$$

and

$$\|(z - A)^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{\text{dist}(z, \overline{W(A)})} \quad (z \notin \overline{W(A)}).$$

Now, if we replace the hypophysis  $G_1$  operators by the conditions  $\overline{W(A)} \cup \overline{W(B)} \subseteq \mathbb{D}$  in Theorem 2.5, then in inequalities (2)-(5), the constants  $d_A$  and  $d_B$  interchange to  $D_A$  and  $D_B$ , respectively, where  $D_A = \text{dist}(\partial\mathbb{D}, \overline{W(A)})$ ,  $D_B = \text{dist}(\partial\mathbb{D}, \overline{W(B)})$ . Also inequalities (6) and (7) appear of the forms

$$|||f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B)||| \leq \frac{2}{D_A D_B} |||X - AXB^*|||$$



and

$$|||f(A)X - X\bar{f}(B)||| \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{D_A D_B} (|||AX||| + |||XB^*|||).$$

where  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$ . For example, for every contraction operator  $A$  (i.e.,  $A^*A \leq I$ ) and  $0 < \epsilon < 1$ , the operator  $\epsilon A$  has the property  $\overline{W(\epsilon A)} \subseteq \mathbb{D}$ .

If we take  $X = I$  in Theorem 2.5, then we get the following result.

**Corollary 2.9.** *Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  be normal operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then for every  $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$*

$$|||f(A) + \bar{f}(B)||| \leq \frac{2}{d_{Ad_B}} |||I - AB^*|||.$$

In particular, for  $B = A$  we have

$$|||\operatorname{Re}(f(A))||| \leq \frac{1}{d_A^2} |||I - AA^*|||.$$

For the next result we need the following lemma (see also [14]).

**Lemma 2.10.** *If  $A, B, X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $A$  and  $B$  are self-adjoint and  $0 < mI \leq X$  for some positive real number  $m$ , then*

$$m |||A - B||| \leq |||AX + XB|||.$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} m |||A - B||| &\leq \frac{1}{2} |||(A - B)X + X(A - B)||| \quad (\text{by [17, Lemma 3.1]}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |||AX - XB + (XA - BX)||| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (|||AX - XB||| + |||XA - BX|||) \\ &= |||AX - XB||| \quad (\text{since } \|A\| = \|A^*\|). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Proposition 2.11.** *Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  be  $G_1$  operators with  $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$ , let  $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $0 < mI \leq X$  for some positive real number  $m$  and  $f \in \mathfrak{A}$ . Then*

(10)

$$m |||\operatorname{Re}(f(A)) - \operatorname{Re}(f(B))||| \leq \frac{1}{d_{Ad_B}} (|||X - AXB^*||| + |||X - A^*XB|||).$$

*In particular, if  $A$  and  $B$  are unitary operators, then*

$$m |||\operatorname{Re}(f(A)) - \operatorname{Re}(f(B))||| \leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} |||X - AXB^*|||.$$

*Proof.*

$$m |||\operatorname{Re}(f(A)) - \operatorname{Re}(f(B))||| \leq |||\operatorname{Re}(f(A))X + X\operatorname{Re}(f(B))||| \quad (\text{by Lemma 2.10})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2} \left\| \|f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B) + \bar{f}(A)X + Xf(B)\| \right\| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \| \|f(A)X + X\bar{f}(B)\| \| + \| \bar{f}(A)X + Xf(B)\| \| \right) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{d_{AdB}} \left( \| \|X - AXB^*\| \| + \| \|X - A^*XB\| \| \right) \\
&\quad \text{(by inequalities (6) and (9)).}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we get the first inequality. Especially, it follows from inequality (10) and equation

$$\| \|X - AXB^*\| \| = \| \|A(A^*XB - X)B^*\| \| = \| \|A^*XB - X\| \| = \| \|X - A^*XB\| \|.$$

□

*Remark 2.12.* Using Lemma 2.3 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\| \|((f(A) + \bar{f}(B))X - Y(f(B) + \bar{f}(A))) \oplus 0\| \| \\
&\quad \leq 2\| \|f(A) + \bar{f}(B)\| \|^{1/2} \| \|f(B) + \bar{f}(A)\| \|^{1/2} \| \|X \oplus Y\| \| \\
&\quad = 2\| \|f(A) + \bar{f}(B)\| \| \| \|X \oplus Y\| \|.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, if we apply inequality (6), then we reach

$$\| \|f(A) + \bar{f}(B)\| \| \| \|X \oplus Y\| \| \leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} \| \|I - AB^*\| \| \| \|X \oplus Y\| \|,$$

whence

$$\| \|((f(A) + \bar{f}(B))X - Y(f(B) + \bar{f}(A))) \oplus 0\| \| \leq \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \| \|I - AB^*\| \| \| \|X \oplus Y\| \|.$$

Hence, if we put  $B = A$ , then we get

$$\| \|\operatorname{Re}(f(A))X - Y\operatorname{Re}(f(A)) \oplus 0\| \| \leq \frac{2}{d_A^2} \| \|I - AA^*\| \| \| \|X \oplus Y\| \|.$$

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