

## ORDER PRESERVING INEQUALITIES INDUCED BY SOME OPERATOR FUNCTIONS AND ITS APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. This paper is a resume based on our talk at KOTAC 2003, and also this is an early announcement of [8].

As an application of [10, Theorem 1], we show a simple proof of the following result:

If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $p \geq t$ , the following (i) and (ii) hold for a fixed real number  $q$ , and they are mutually equivalent:

(i) If  $q \geq 0$ , then

$$G_{p,q,t}(A, B, C, r, s) = A^{-\frac{r}{2}} \left\{ A^{\frac{r}{2}} \left( B^{-\frac{t}{2}} C^p B^{-\frac{t}{2}} \right)^s A^{\frac{r}{2}} \right\}^{\frac{q-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{-\frac{r}{2}}$$

is a decreasing function for  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$  such that  $(p-t)s \geq q-t$ .

(ii) If  $p \geq q$ , then

$$G_{p,q,t}(A, B, C, r, s) = A^{-\frac{r}{2}} \left\{ A^{\frac{r}{2}} \left( B^{-\frac{t}{2}} C^p B^{-\frac{t}{2}} \right)^s A^{\frac{r}{2}} \right\}^{\frac{q-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{-\frac{r}{2}}$$

is a decreasing function for  $s \geq 1$  and  $r \geq \max\{t, t-q\}$ .

This result is an extension of [10, Theorem 2]. On the other hand, M.Uchiyama [16] shows the following interesting result:

(iii) If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,

$$A^{1-t+r} \geq \left\{ A^{\frac{r}{2}} \left( B^{-\frac{t}{2}} C^p B^{-\frac{t}{2}} \right)^s A^{\frac{r}{2}} \right\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}}$$

holds for  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$ .

We show that (i) is equivalent to (iii), that is, they follow from each other. And also, as an application of [10, Theorem 1], we give a simple proof of M.Uchiyama's result [16, Theorem 3.4].

### 1. INTRODUCTION

A capital letter means a bounded linear operator on a Hilbert space.

**Theorem L-H** (Löwner-Heinz inequality [12][14]).  $A \geq B \geq 0$  ensures  $A^\alpha \geq B^\alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ .

Theorem L-H is very useful, but the condition " $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ " is too restrictive to be applied. The following result has been obtained from this point of view.

**Theorem F** (Furuta inequality [4]).

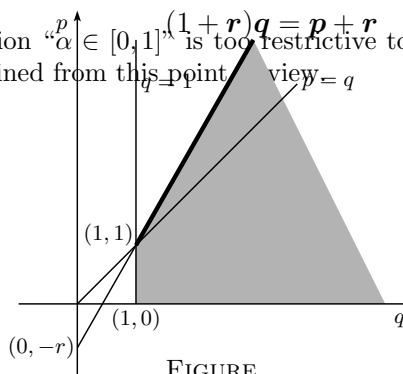
If  $A \geq B \geq 0$ , then for each  $r \geq 0$ ,

$$(i) \quad \left( B^{\frac{r}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{r}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq \left( B^{\frac{r}{2}} B^p B^{\frac{r}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

and

$$(ii) \quad \left( A^{\frac{r}{2}} A^p A^{\frac{r}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq \left( A^{\frac{r}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{r}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

hold for  $p \geq 0$  and  $q \geq 1$  with  $(1+r)q \geq p+r$ .



FIGURE

Alternative proofs are in [13][1] and a one-page proof in [5]. It is proved in [15] that the domain drawn for  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $r$  in Figure is the best possible for Theorem F. The following Theorem G is an extension of Theorem F.

**Theorem G** ([6][2]). *If  $A \geq B \geq 0$  with  $A > 0$ , then for  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$A^{1-t+r} \geq \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^pA^{\frac{-t}{2}})^sA^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}}$$

*holds for  $s \geq 1$  and  $r \geq t$ .*

Very recently, M.Uchiyama shows the following interesting extension of Theorem G.

**Theorem U** ([16]). *If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$A^{1-t+r} \geq \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^sA^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}}$$

*holds for  $s \geq 1$  and  $r \geq t$ .*

We show that Theorem U is equivalent to (i) of Theorem 1 under below, that is, they follow from each other. And also, as an application of [10, Theorem 1], we give a simple proof of M.Uchiyama's result [16, Theorem 3.4].

## 2. OPERATOR FUNCTIONS IMPLYING THEOREM U

**Theorem 1.** *If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $p \geq t$ , the following (i) and (ii) hold for a fixed real number  $q$ , and they are mutually equivalent:*

(i) *If  $q \geq 0$ , then*

$$G_{p,q,t}(A, B, C, r, s) = A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^sA^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{q-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}}$$

*is a decreasing function for  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$  such that  $(p-t)s \geq q-t$ .*

(ii) *If  $p \geq q$ , then*

$$G_{p,q,t}(A, B, C, r, s) = A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^sA^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{q-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}}$$

*is a decreasing function for  $s \geq 1$  and  $r \geq \max\{t, t-q\}$ .*

We need the following results to prove Theorem 1.

**Theorem A** ([10, Theorem 1]). *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be positive invertible operators satisfying*

$$A \geq (A^{\frac{1}{2}}BA^{\frac{1}{2}})^{\frac{\beta_0}{\alpha_0+\beta_0}} \quad \text{for fixed } \alpha_0 \geq 0 \text{ and } \beta_0 \geq 0 \text{ with } \alpha_0 + \beta_0 > 0.$$

*Then the following (i) and (ii) hold and they are mutually equivalent:*

(i) *For any fixed  $\delta \geq -\beta_0$ ,*

$$f(\lambda, \mu) = A^{\frac{-\mu}{2}} (A^{\frac{\mu}{2}}B^\lambda A^{\frac{\mu}{2}})^{\frac{\delta+\beta_0\mu}{\alpha_0\lambda+\beta_0\mu}} A^{\frac{-\mu}{2}}$$

*is a decreasing function for  $\mu \geq 1$  and  $\lambda \geq 1$  such that  $\alpha_0\lambda \geq \delta$ .*

(ii) *For any fixed  $\delta \leq \alpha_0$ ,*

$$f(\lambda, \mu) = A^{\frac{-\mu}{2}} (A^{\frac{\mu}{2}}B^\lambda A^{\frac{\mu}{2}})^{\frac{\delta+\beta_0\mu}{\alpha_0\lambda+\beta_0\mu}} A^{\frac{-\mu}{2}}$$

*is a decreasing function for  $\lambda \geq 1$  and  $\mu \geq 1$  such that  $\beta_0\mu \geq -\delta$ .*

**Lemma B** ([6]). *Let  $X$  be a positive invertible operator and  $Y$  be an invertible operator. For any real number  $\lambda$ ,*

$$(YXY^*)^\lambda = YX^{\frac{1}{2}}(X^{\frac{1}{2}}Y^*YX^{\frac{1}{2}})^{\lambda-1}X^{\frac{1}{2}}Y^*.$$

### 3. EQUIVALENCE RELATION ASSOCIATED WITH THEOREM 1

We show the following equivalence relation between Theorem 1 and related operator inequalities.

**Theorem 2.** *The following (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) hold and follow from each other:*

(i) *If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$A^{1-t+r} \geq \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}}$$

*holds for  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$ .*

(ii) *If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for each  $1 \geq q \geq t \geq 0$  and  $p \geq q$ ,*

$$A^{q-t+r} \geq \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{q-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}}$$

*holds for  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$ .*

(iii) *If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $p \geq 1$ ,*

$$F_{p,t}(A, B, C, r, s) = A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}}$$

*is a decreasing function for  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$ .*

(iv) *If  $A \geq B \geq C \geq 0$  with  $B > 0$ , then for each  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $q \geq 0$  and  $p \geq t$ ,*

$$G_{p,q,t}(A, B, C, r, s) = A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{q-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}}$$

*is a decreasing function for  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$  such that  $(p-t)s \geq q-t$ .*

We remark that Theorem 2 is an extension of [9, Theorem 1], a proof of (i) is in [16, Proposition 4.1], a one-page proof of (i) by using Theorem G itself is in [7], and a mean-theoretic proof of (i) is in [3].

### 4. SATELLITE INEQUALITIES

As simple applications of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2, we show the following inequalities.

**Theorem 3.** *If  $A \geq B \geq C > 0$ , then the following inequalities (i) and (ii) hold for each  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $p \geq 1$ ,  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$ :*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad & B^{\frac{t}{2}}C^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{C^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}A^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s C^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} C^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}} \\ & \geq B^{\frac{t}{2}}C^{\frac{-t}{2}} \{C^{\frac{t}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}A^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s C^{\frac{t}{2}}\}^{\frac{1}{(p-t)s+t}} C^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}} \\ & \geq A \geq B \geq C \\ & \geq B^{\frac{t}{2}}A^{\frac{-t}{2}} \{A^{\frac{t}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{t}{2}}\}^{\frac{1}{(p-t)s+t}} A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}} \\ & \geq B^{\frac{t}{2}}A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(B^{\frac{-t}{2}}C^pB^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(ii)} \quad & B^{\frac{t}{2}} C^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{C^{\frac{r}{2}} (B^{\frac{-t}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s C^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} C^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}} \\
& \geq B^{\frac{t}{2}} C^{\frac{-r}{2}} (C^{\frac{r}{2}} B^{\frac{-t}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{-t}{2}} C^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1+r-t}{p+r-t}} C^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}} \\
& \geq A \geq B \geq C \\
& \geq B^{\frac{t}{2}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}} (A^{\frac{r}{2}} B^{\frac{-t}{2}} C^p B^{\frac{-t}{2}} A^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1+r-t}{p+r-t}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}} \\
& \geq B^{\frac{t}{2}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}} (B^{\frac{-t}{2}} C^p B^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^{\frac{t}{2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 4.** *If  $A \geq B > 0$ , then the following inequalities (i) and (ii) hold for each  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,  $p \geq 1$ ,  $r \geq t$  and  $s \geq 1$ :*

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(i)} \quad & B^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \{B^{\frac{r}{2}} (B^{\frac{-t}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s B^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} B^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \\
& \geq \{B^{\frac{t}{2}} (B^{\frac{-t}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s B^{\frac{t}{2}}\}^{\frac{1}{(p-t)s+t}} \\
& \geq A \geq B \\
& \geq \{A^{\frac{t}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{t}{2}}\}^{\frac{1}{(p-t)s+t}} \\
& \geq A^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}}. \\
\text{(ii)} \quad & B^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \{B^{\frac{r}{2}} (B^{\frac{-t}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s B^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} B^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \\
& \geq B^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} (B^{\frac{r-t}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{r-t}{2}})^{\frac{1+r-t}{p+r-t}} B^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \\
& \geq A \geq B \\
& \geq A^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} (A^{\frac{r-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{r-t}{2}})^{\frac{1+r-t}{p+r-t}} A^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \\
& \geq A^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}} \{A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1+r-t}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-(r-t)}{2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem C** ([13]). *If  $A \geq B > 0$ , then the following inequality holds for  $p \geq 1$  and  $r \geq 0$ :*

$$B^{\frac{-r}{2}} (B^{\frac{r}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1+r}{p+r}} B^{\frac{-r}{2}} \geq A \geq B \geq A^{\frac{-r}{2}} (A^{\frac{r}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1+r}{p+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}}.$$

## 5. M.UCHIYAMA'S RESULT VIA THEOREM A

The following result is contained in [16, Theorem 3.4].

**Theorem V** ([16]). *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be both positive invertible operators. Also let  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  be positive real numbers and  $d$  a real number. Define  $F(r, s)$  and  $G(r, s)$  by*

$$F(r, s) = A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^s A^{\frac{-r}{2}})^{\frac{r}{r+sc}} A^{\frac{r}{2}} \quad \text{for } r > 0 \text{ and } s > 0$$

and

$$G(r, s) = A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-r}{2}} B^s A^{\frac{-r}{2}})^{\frac{r+d}{r+sc}} A^{\frac{r}{2}} \quad \text{for } r > 0 \text{ and } s > 0 \text{ with } 0 \leq \frac{r+d}{r+sc} \leq 1.$$

*Let  $a > 0$ ,  $b > 0$  and  $-a \leq d \leq bc$ . Then for  $r_2 \geq r_1 \geq a$  and  $s_2 \geq s_1 \geq b$ , the following hold:*

- (a) *If  $F(a, b) \leq 1$ , then  $G(r_2, s_2) \leq G(r_1, s_1)$ .*
- (b) *If  $F(a, b) \geq 1$ , then  $G(r_2, s_2) \geq G(r_1, s_1)$ .*

On the other hand, replacing  $A$  with  $A^{\beta_0}$  and  $B$  with  $B^{\alpha_0}$  in Theorem A, then we have the following result in [11].

**Corollary D** ([11]). *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be positive invertible operators satisfying*

$$A^{\beta_0} \geq (A^{\frac{\beta_0}{2}} B^{\alpha_0} A^{\frac{\beta_0}{2}})^{\frac{\beta_0}{\alpha_0 + \beta_0}} \quad \text{for fixed } \alpha_0 > 0 \text{ and } \beta_0 > 0.$$

*Then for any fixed  $\delta \geq -\beta_0$ ,*

$$f(\alpha, \beta) = A^{-\frac{\beta}{2}} (A^{\frac{\beta}{2}} B^{\alpha} A^{\frac{\beta}{2}})^{\frac{\delta + \beta}{\alpha + \beta}} A^{-\frac{\beta}{2}}$$

*is a decreasing function for  $\alpha \geq \max\{\delta, \alpha_0\}$  and  $\beta \geq \beta_0$ .*

We give a proof of Theorem V via Corollary D.

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