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**SOME REVERSES OF HÖLDER VECTOR OPERATOR INEQUALITY**

ABSTRACT. In this paper we obtain some new reverses of Hölder vector inequality for positive operators on Hilbert spaces.

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**1. Introduction**

Throughout this paper  $A, B$  are positive invertible operators on a complex Hilbert space  $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ . We use the following notation

$$A\sharp_{\nu}B := A^{1/2} \left( A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} \right)^{\nu} A^{1/2},$$

the *weighted geometric mean*. When  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$  we write  $A\sharp B$  for brevity.

In [6] the authors obtained the following result:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle &\leq \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q} \\ &\leq \lambda^{1/p} \left( p; \frac{m_1}{M_2^{q-1}}, \frac{M_1}{m_2^{q-1}} \right) \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for any  $x \in H$ , where  $0 < m_1 I \leq A \leq M_1 I$ ,  $0 < m_2 I \leq B \leq M_2 I$ ,  $p, q > 1$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ,  $I$  is the identity operator and

$$\lambda(p; m, M) := \left[ \frac{1}{p^{1/p} q^{1/q}} \frac{M^p - m^p}{(M - m)^{1/p} (mM^p - Mm^p)^{1/q}} \right]^p$$

for  $0 < m < M$ .

In particular, one can obtain from (1) the following noncommutative version of *Greub-Rheinboldt inequality*

$$(2) \quad \langle A^2 \sharp B^2 x, x \rangle \leq \langle A^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \frac{m_1 m_2 + M_1 M_2}{2\sqrt{m_1 m_2 M_1 M_2}} \langle A^2 \sharp B^2 x, x \rangle$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

Moreover, if  $A$  and  $B$  are replaced by  $C^{1/2}$  and  $C^{-1/2}$  in (2), then we get the *Kantorovich inequality* [20]

$$\langle Cx, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle C^{-1}x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \frac{m+M}{2\sqrt{mM}}, \quad x \in H \text{ with } \|x\| = 1,$$

provided  $mI \leq C \leq MI$  for some  $0 < m < M$ .

For various related inequalities, see [5]-[12] and [16]- [17].

In this paper, by making use of some recent Young's type inequalities outlined below, we establish some reverses and a refinement of Hölder's inequality for the positive operators  $A, B$

$$\langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle \leq \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q}, \quad x \in H$$

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

The famous *Young inequality* for scalars says that if  $a, b > 0$  and  $\nu \in [0, 1]$ , then

$$(3) \quad a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \leq (1-\nu)a + \nu b$$

with equality if and only if  $a = b$ . The inequality (3) is also called  $\nu$ -*weighted arithmetic-geometric mean inequality*.

We recall that *Specht's ratio* is defined by [21]

$$(4) \quad S(h) := \begin{cases} \frac{h^{\frac{1}{h-1}}}{e \ln \left( h^{\frac{1}{h-1}} \right)} & \text{if } h \in (0, 1) \cup (1, \infty) \\ 1 & \text{if } h = 1. \end{cases}$$

It is well known that  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 1} S(h) = 1$ ,  $S(h) = S\left(\frac{1}{h}\right) > 1$  for  $h > 0$ ,  $h \neq 1$ . The function is decreasing on  $(0, 1)$  and increasing on  $(1, \infty)$ .

The following inequality provides a refinement and a multiplicative reverse for Young's inequality

$$(5) \quad S\left(\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^r\right) a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \leq (1-\nu)a + \nu b \leq S\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) a^{1-\nu} b^\nu,$$

where  $a, b > 0$ ,  $\nu \in [0, 1]$ ,  $r = \min\{1-\nu, \nu\}$ .

The second inequality in (5) is due to Tominaga [22] while the first one is due to Furuichi [7].

We consider the *Kantorovich's constant* defined by

$$(6) \quad K(h) := \frac{(h+1)^2}{4h}, \quad h > 0.$$

The function  $K$  is decreasing on  $(0, 1)$  and increasing on  $[1, \infty)$ ,  $K(h) \geq 1$  for any  $h > 0$  and  $K(h) = K\left(\frac{1}{h}\right)$  for any  $h > 0$ .

The following multiplicative refinement and reverse of Young inequality in terms of Kantorovich's constant holds

$$(7) \quad K^r \left(\frac{a}{b}\right) a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \leq (1-\nu)a + \nu b \leq K^R \left(\frac{a}{b}\right) a^{1-\nu} b^\nu$$

where  $a, b > 0$ ,  $\nu \in [0, 1]$ ,  $r = \min\{1-\nu, \nu\}$  and  $R = \max\{1-\nu, \nu\}$ .

The first inequality in (7) was obtained by Zou et al. in [23] while the second by Liao et al. [19].

Kittaneh and Manasrah [14], [15] provided a refinement and an additive reverse for Young inequality as follows:

$$(8) \quad r \left(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}\right)^2 \leq (1-\nu)a + \nu b - a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \leq R \left(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}\right)^2$$

where  $a, b > 0$ ,  $\nu \in [0, 1]$ ,  $r = \min\{1-\nu, \nu\}$  and  $R = \max\{1-\nu, \nu\}$ . The case  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$  reduces (8) to an identity.

In the recent paper [1] we obtained the following reverses of Young's inequality as well:

$$(9) \quad 0 \leq (1-\nu)a + \nu b - a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \leq \nu(1-\nu)(a-b)(\ln a - \ln b)$$

and

$$(10) \quad 1 \leq \frac{(1-\nu)a + \nu b}{a^{1-\nu} b^\nu} \leq \exp \left[ 4\nu(1-\nu) \left( K\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) - 1 \right) \right],$$

where  $a, b > 0$ ,  $\nu \in [0, 1]$ .

In [2] we obtained the following inequalities that improve the corresponding results of Furuichi and Minculete from [9]

$$(11) \quad \frac{1}{2}\nu(1-\nu)(\ln a - \ln b)^2 \min\{a, b\} \leq (1-\nu)a + \nu b - a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \\ \leq \frac{1}{2}\nu(1-\nu)(\ln a - \ln b)^2 \max\{a, b\}$$

and

$$(12) \quad \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2}\nu(1-\nu) \left( 1 - \frac{\min\{a, b\}}{\max\{a, b\}} \right)^2 \right] \leq \frac{(1-\nu)a + \nu b}{a^{1-\nu} b^\nu} \\ \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2}\nu(1-\nu) \left( \frac{\max\{a, b\}}{\min\{a, b\}} - 1 \right)^2 \right]$$

for any  $a, b > 0$  and  $\nu \in [0, 1]$ .

## 2. Some reverse inequalities

We have the following reverse of Hölder's inequality:

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two positive invertible operators,  $p, q > 1$  with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $m, M > 0$  such that*

$$(13) \quad m^p B^q \leq A^p \leq M^p B^q.$$

*Then for any  $x \in H$  we have the inequality*

$$(14) \quad \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q} \leq S \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^p \right) \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle.$$

**Proof.** Assume that  $\nu \in (0, 1)$ . Let  $a, b \in [t, T] \subset (0, \infty)$ , then  $\frac{t}{T} \leq \frac{a}{b} \leq \frac{T}{t}$  with  $\frac{t}{T} < 1 < \frac{T}{t}$ . If  $\frac{a}{b} \in [\frac{t}{T}, 1)$  then  $S(\frac{a}{b}) \leq S(\frac{t}{T}) = S(\frac{T}{t})$ . If  $\frac{a}{b} \in (1, \frac{T}{t}]$  then also  $S(\frac{a}{b}) \leq S(\frac{T}{t})$ . Therefore for any  $a, b \in [t, T]$  we have by Tominaga's inequality (5) that

$$(15) \quad (1 - \nu)a + \nu b \leq S \left( \frac{T}{t} \right) a^{1-\nu} b^\nu.$$

Now, if  $C$  is an operator with  $tI \leq C \leq TI$  then for  $p > 1$  we have  $t^p I \leq C^p \leq T^p I$ . Using the functional calculus we get from (15) for  $\nu = \frac{1}{p}$  that

$$\left( 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) d + \frac{1}{p} C^p \leq S \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} C,$$

namely, the vector inequality,

$$(16) \quad \left( 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) d + \frac{1}{p} \langle C^p y, y \rangle \leq S \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \langle C y, y \rangle,$$

for any  $y \in H$ ,  $\|y\| = 1$  and  $d \in [t^p, T^p]$ .

Since  $d := \langle C^p y, y \rangle \in [t^p, T^p]$  for any  $y \in H$ ,  $\|y\| = 1$ , hence by (16) we have

$$\left( 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) \langle C^p y, y \rangle + \frac{1}{p} \langle C^p y, y \rangle \leq S \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) \langle C^p y, y \rangle^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \langle C y, y \rangle,$$

that is equivalent to

$$\langle C^p y, y \rangle \leq S \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) \langle C^p y, y \rangle^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \langle C y, y \rangle$$

and to

$$(17) \quad \langle C^p y, y \rangle \leq S^p \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) \langle C y, y \rangle^p$$

for any  $y \in H$ ,  $\|y\| = 1$ .

If  $z \in H$  with  $z \neq 0$ , then by taking  $y = \frac{z}{\|z\|}$  in (17) we get

$$\langle C^p z, z \rangle \|z\|^{2p-2} \leq S^p \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) \langle Cz, z \rangle^p$$

for any  $z \in H$ , and by taking the power  $\frac{1}{p}$  we get

$$(18) \quad \langle C^p z, z \rangle^{1/p} \langle z, z \rangle^{1/q} \leq S \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) \langle Cz, z \rangle$$

for any  $z \in H$ .

Now, from (13) by multiplying both sides with  $B^{-\frac{q}{2}}$  we have  $m^p I \leq B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \leq M^p I$  and by taking the power  $\frac{1}{p}$  we get  $mI \leq \left( B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq MI$ .

By writing the inequality (18) for  $C = \left( B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$ ,  $t = m$ ,  $T = M$  and  $z = B^{\frac{q}{2}} x$ , with  $x \in H$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\langle B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} B^{\frac{q}{2}} x, B^{\frac{q}{2}} x \right\rangle^{1/p} \left\langle B^{\frac{q}{2}} x, B^{\frac{q}{2}} x \right\rangle^{1/q} \\ & \leq S \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^p \right) \left\langle \left( B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} B^{\frac{q}{2}} x, B^{\frac{q}{2}} x \right\rangle, \end{aligned}$$

namely

$$\langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q} \leq S \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^p \right) \left\langle B^{\frac{q}{2}} \left( B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} B^{\frac{q}{2}} x, x \right\rangle$$

for any  $x \in H$ , and the inequality (14) is proved.  $\blacksquare$

**Remark 1.** We observe, for  $A$  and  $B$  two positive invertible operators, that the condition (13) is equivalent to following condition

$$(19) \quad mI \leq \left( B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq MI.$$

If we assume that

$$(20) \quad rB^q \leq A^p \leq RB^q,$$

for  $r, R > 0$ , then by (14) we have the inequality

$$(21) \quad \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q} \leq S \left( \frac{R}{r} \right) \langle B^q \#_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two positive invertible operators and  $m, M > 0$  such that*

$$(22) \quad mI \leq (B^{-1}A^2B^{-1})^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq MI.$$

*Then for any  $x \in H$  we have the inequality*

$$(23) \quad \langle A^2x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq S \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 \right) \langle A^2 \sharp B^2 x, x \rangle,$$

*where*

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

Now, by taking  $A = C^{1/2}$  and  $B = C^{-1/2}$ , then the condition (22) becomes

$$(24) \quad mI \leq C \leq MI$$

and by (23) we get

$$\langle Cx, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle C^{-1}x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq S \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 \right),$$

for any  $x \in H$  with  $\|x\| = 1$ .

**Corollary 2.** *Assume that  $A$  and  $B$  satisfy the conditions*

$$(25) \quad m_1I \leq A \leq M_1I, \quad m_2I \leq B \leq M_2I$$

*for some  $0 < m_1 < M_1$  and  $0 < m_2 < M_2$ . Then we have*

$$(26) \quad \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, B^q x \rangle^{1/q} \leq S \left( \left( \frac{M_1}{m_1} \right)^p \left( \frac{M_2}{m_2} \right)^q \right) \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle,$$

*for any  $x \in H$ .*

*In particular, we have*

$$(27) \quad \langle A^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq S \left( \left( \frac{M_1 M_2}{m_1 m_2} \right)^2 \right) \langle A^2 \sharp B^2 x, x \rangle,$$

*for any  $x \in H$ .*

**Proof.** We have from (25) that

$$m_1^p I \leq A^p \leq M_1^p I.$$

Then

$$m_1^p M_2^{-q} I \leq m_1^p B^{-q} \leq B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \leq M_1^p B^{-q} \leq M_1^p m_2^{-q} I,$$

which implies that

$$m_1 M_2^{-\frac{q}{p}} I \leq \left( B^{-\frac{q}{2}} A^p B^{-\frac{q}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq M_1 m_2^{-\frac{q}{p}} I.$$

Now, on using the inequality (14) for  $m = m_1 M_2^{-\frac{q}{p}}$  and  $M = M_1 m_2^{-\frac{q}{p}}$ , we get the desired result (26).  $\blacksquare$

Using Kantorovich's constant (6) we also have:

**Theorem 2.** *With the assumptions of Theorem 1 we have the inequality*

$$(28) \quad \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q} \leq K^{\max\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\}} \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^p \right) \langle B^q \#_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

**Proof.** Assume that  $\nu \in (0, 1)$  and  $R = \max\{1 - \nu, \nu\}$ . Let  $a, b \in [t, T] \subset (0, \infty)$ , then  $\frac{t}{T} \leq \frac{a}{b} \leq \frac{T}{t}$  with  $\frac{t}{T} < 1 < \frac{T}{t}$ . If  $\frac{a}{b} \in [\frac{t}{T}, 1)$  then  $K^R(\frac{a}{b}) \leq K^R(\frac{t}{T}) = K^R(\frac{T}{t})$ . If  $\frac{a}{b} \in (1, \frac{T}{t}]$  then also  $K^R(\frac{a}{b}) \leq K^R(\frac{T}{t})$ . Therefore for any  $a, b \in [t, T]$  we have by inequality (7) that

$$(29) \quad (1 - \nu)a + \nu b \leq K^R \left( \frac{T}{t} \right) a^{1-\nu} b^\nu.$$

Now, if  $C$  is an operator with  $tI \leq C \leq TI$  then for  $p > 1$  we have  $t^p I \leq C^p \leq T^p I$ . Using the functional calculus we get from (29) for  $\nu = \frac{1}{p}$  that

$$\left( 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) d + \frac{1}{p} C^p \leq K^{\max\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\}} \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} C,$$

namely, the vector inequality,

$$\left( 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) d + \frac{1}{p} \langle C^p y, y \rangle \leq K^{\max\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\}} \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right) d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \langle C y, y \rangle,$$

for any  $y \in H$ ,  $\|y\| = 1$  and  $d \in [t^p, T^p]$ .

Now, by employing a similar argument to the one in the proof of Theorem 1 we deduce the desired result (28). The details are omitted.  $\blacksquare$

**Corollary 3.** *With the assumptions of Corollary 1 we have*

$$(30) \quad \langle A^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \left[ K \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 \right) \right]^{1/2} \langle A^2 \# B^2 x, x \rangle,$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

We also have:

**Corollary 4.** *With the assumptions of Corollary 2 we have*

$$(31) \quad \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, B^q x \rangle^{1/q} \\ \leq K^{\max\{\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1}{q}\}} \left( \left( \frac{M_1}{m_1} \right)^p \left( \frac{M_2}{m_2} \right)^q \right) \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle,$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

In particular, we have

$$(32) \quad \langle A^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \left[ K \left( \left( \frac{M_1 M_2}{m_1 m_2} \right)^2 \right) \right]^{1/2} \langle A^2 \sharp B^2 x, x \rangle,$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

### 3. Exponential reverses

We have:

**Theorem 3.** *With the assumptions of Theorem 1 we have the inequality*

$$(33) \quad \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q} \\ \leq \exp \left[ \frac{4}{pq} \left( K \left[ \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^p \right] - 1 \right) \right] \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

**Proof.** Assume that  $\nu \in (0, 1)$ . Let  $a, b \in [t, T] \subset (0, \infty)$ , then by the inequality (10) we have

$$(34) \quad (1 - \nu)a + \nu b \leq a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \exp \left[ 4\nu(1 - \nu) \left( K \left( \frac{T}{t} \right) - 1 \right) \right].$$

Now, if  $C$  is an operator with  $tI \leq C \leq TI$  then for  $p > 1$  we have  $t^p I \leq C^p \leq T^p I$ . Using the functional calculus we get from (34) for  $\nu = \frac{1}{p}$  that

$$\left( 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) d + \frac{1}{p} C^p \leq \exp \left[ \frac{4}{pq} \left( K \left[ \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right] - 1 \right) \right] d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} C,$$

namely, the vector inequality,

$$\left( 1 - \frac{1}{p} \right) d + \frac{1}{p} \langle C^p y, y \rangle \leq \exp \left[ \frac{4}{pq} \left( K \left[ \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p \right] - 1 \right) \right] d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \langle C y, y \rangle,$$

for any  $y \in H$ ,  $\|y\| = 1$  and  $d \in [t^p, T^p]$ .

Now, by employing a similar argument to the one in the proof of Theorem 1 we deduce the desired result (33). The details are omitted.  $\blacksquare$



We have:

**Corollary 5.** *With the assumptions of Corollary 1 we have*

$$(35) \quad \langle A^2x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \exp \left( K \left[ \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 \right] - 1 \right) \langle A^2 \sharp B^2x, x \rangle,$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

**Corollary 6.** *With the assumptions of Corollary 2 we have*

$$(36) \quad \langle A^px, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^qx, B^qx \rangle^{1/q} \\ \leq \exp \left[ \frac{4}{pq} \left( K \left[ \left( \frac{M_1}{m_1} \right)^p \left( \frac{M_2}{m_2} \right)^q \right] - 1 \right) \right] \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^px, x \rangle,$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

In particular, we have

$$(37) \quad \langle A^2x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \exp \left( K \left[ \left( \frac{M_1 M_2}{m_1 m_2} \right)^2 \right] - 1 \right) \langle A^2 \sharp B^2x, x \rangle,$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

Finally, we have the following reverse of Hölder's inequality as well:

**Theorem 4.** *With the assumptions of Theorem 1 we have the inequality*

$$(38) \quad \langle A^px, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^qx, x \rangle^{1/q} \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2pq} \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^p - 1 \right)^2 \right] \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^px, x \rangle$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

**Proof.** If  $a, b \in [t, T] \subset (0, \infty)$  and since

$$0 < \frac{\max \{a, b\}}{\min \{a, b\}} - 1 \leq \frac{T}{t} - 1,$$

hence

$$\left( \frac{\max \{a, b\}}{\min \{a, b\}} - 1 \right)^2 \leq \left( \frac{T}{t} - 1 \right)^2.$$

Therefore, by (12) we get

$$(39) \quad (1 - \nu)a + \nu b \leq a^{1-\nu} b^\nu \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2} \nu (1 - \nu) \left( \frac{T}{t} - 1 \right)^2 \right],$$

for any  $a, b \in [t, T]$  and  $\nu \in (0, 1)$ .

Now, if  $C$  is an operator with  $tI \leq C \leq TI$  then for  $p > 1$  we have  $t^p I \leq C^p \leq T^p I$ . Using the functional calculus we get from (34) for  $\nu = \frac{1}{p}$  that

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)d + \frac{1}{p}C^p \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2pq} \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p - 1 \right)^2 \right] d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} C,$$

namely, the vector inequality,

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{p}\right)d + \frac{1}{p} \langle C^p y, y \rangle \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2pq} \left( \left( \frac{T}{t} \right)^p - 1 \right)^2 \right] d^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \langle C y, y \rangle,$$

for any  $y \in H$ ,  $\|y\| = 1$  and  $d \in [t^p, T^p]$ .

Now, by employing a similar argument to the one in the proof of Theorem 1 we deduce the desired result (39). The details are omitted.  $\blacksquare$

We have:

**Corollary 7.** *With the assumptions of Corollary 1 we have*

$$(40) \quad \langle A^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{8} \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 - 1 \right)^2 \right] \langle A^2 \sharp B^2 x, x \rangle$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

If  $mI \leq C \leq MI$  for some  $m, M$  with  $0 < m < M$ , then by (40) we get

$$(41) \quad \langle C x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle C^{-1} x, x \rangle^{1/2} \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{8} \left( \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 - 1 \right)^2 \right] \|x\|^2,$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

**Corollary 8.** *With the assumptions of Corollary 2 we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle A^p x, x \rangle^{1/p} \langle B^q x, x \rangle^{1/q} \\ & \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2pq} \left( \left( \frac{M_1}{m_1} \right)^p \left( \frac{M_2}{m_2} \right)^q - 1 \right)^2 \right] \langle B^q \sharp_{1/p} A^p x, x \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

In particular, we have

$$(42) \quad \begin{aligned} & \langle A^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \langle B^2 x, x \rangle^{1/2} \\ & \leq \exp \left[ \frac{1}{8} \left( \left( \frac{M_1 M_2}{m_1 m_2} \right)^2 - 1 \right)^2 \right] \langle A^2 \sharp B^2 x, x \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

for any  $x \in H$ .

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