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Reverses of Ando's and Hölder–McCarty's inequalities

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Abstract

In this paper, we give some reverse-types of Ando's and Hölder–McCarty's inequalities for positive linear maps, and positive invertible operators. For this purpose, we use a recently improved Young inequality and its reverse.

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1 Introduction and preliminaries

Let $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be the C^* -algebra of all bounded linear operators on a complex Hilbert space \mathcal{H} with the operator norm $\|\cdot\|$ and the identity I ; also $\mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{C})$ denotes the space of all $n \times n$ complex matrices. For an operator $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we write $A \geq 0$ if A is positive, and $A > 0$ if A is positive invertible. For $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we say $A \geq B$ if $A - B \geq 0$. The Gelfand map $f(t) \mapsto f(A)$ is an isometrical $*$ -isomorphism between the C^* -algebra $C(\text{sp}(A))$ of continuous functions on the spectrum $\text{sp}(A)$ of a selfadjoint operator A and the C^* -algebra generated by A and I . A linear map Φ on $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is positive if $\Phi(A) \geq 0$ whenever $A \geq 0$. It is said to be unital if $\Phi(I) = I$. A continuous function $f : J \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ is operator concave if

$$f(\alpha A + (1 - \alpha)B) \geq \alpha f(A) + (1 - \alpha)f(B)$$

for all selfadjoint operators $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ with spectra in J and all $\alpha \in [0, 1]$.

The well-known Young inequality says that, for positive real numbers a, b and $0 \leq t \leq 1$, we have $a^t b^{1-t} \leq ta + (1 - t)b$. Refinements and reverses of this inequality are proven in [2, 9, 14–16] and the references therein. Also Kittaneh et al. in [10] obtained the following improvement of the Young inequality for any positive definite matrices $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{C})$:

$$A^{1-t}B^t + r(A + B - 2A \sharp B) \leq (1 - t)A + tB \leq A^{1-t}B^t + R(A + B - 2A \sharp B), \quad (1)$$

where $t \in [0, 1]$, $r = \min\{t, 1 - t\}$ and $R = \max\{t, 1 - t\}$.

Zhao et al. [19] obtained a refinement of Young's inequality and its reverse as follows:

(i) for $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$,

$$r_0(\sqrt[4]{ab} - \sqrt{a})^2 + r(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 + a^{1-t}b^t$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq (1-t)a + tb \\ &\leq R(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 - r_0(\sqrt[4]{ab} - \sqrt{b})^2 + a^{1-t}b^t; \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

(ii) for $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} &r_0(\sqrt[4]{ab} - \sqrt{b})^2 + R(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 + a^{1-t}b^t \\ &\leq (1-t)a + tb \\ &\leq r(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 - r_0(\sqrt[4]{ab} - \sqrt{a})^2 + a^{1-t}b^t, \end{aligned}$$

where $r = \min\{t, 1-t\}$, $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$ and $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Sababheh et al. [15, 16] established some refinements and reverses of Young's inequality as follows:

(i) for $0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2}$,

$$S_N(t; a, b) \leq ta + (1-t)b - a^t b^{1-t} \leq (1-t)(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 - S_N(2t; \sqrt{ab}, a); \quad (3)$$

(ii) for $\frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1$,

$$S_N(t; a, b) \leq ta + (1-t)b - a^t b^{1-t} \leq t(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 - S_N(2-2t; \sqrt{ab}, b),$$

where

$$S_N(t; a, b) = \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) \left(\sqrt[2^j]{b^{2^{j-1}-k_j} a^{k_j}} - \sqrt[2^j]{a^{k_j+1} b^{2^{j-1}-k_j-1}} \right)^2,$$

$s_j(t) = ((-1)^{r_j} 2^{j-1} t + (-1)^{r_j+1} [\frac{r_j+1}{2}])$, $r_j = [2^j t]$ and $k_j = [2^{j-1} t]$. Here $[x]$ is the greatest integer less than or equal to x .

Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive. The operator t -weighted arithmetic, geometric, and harmonic means of operators A, B are defined by $A \nabla_t B = (1-t)A + tB$, $A \sharp_t B = A^{\frac{1}{2}}(A^{-\frac{1}{2}}B \times A^{-\frac{1}{2}})^t A^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $A !_t B = ((1-t)A^{-1} + tB^{-1})^{-1}$, respectively. In particular, for $t = \frac{1}{2}$ we get the usual operator arithmetic mean ∇ , the geometric mean \sharp and the harmonic mean $!$.

2 Results and discussion

For positive real numbers a_i and b_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) the Hölder inequality states that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^{1/p} b_i^{1/q} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^{1/p} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right)^{1/q} \quad (4)$$

for $p, q > 1$ such that $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. If $p = q = 2$ in (4), then we get the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality. The Hölder inequality for positive operators A_i and B_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$) is

$$\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp_t B_i \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \sharp_t \left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i \right),$$

where $0 \leq t \leq 1$. In the case $t = \frac{1}{2}$, we get the operator Cauchy–Schwarz inequality. For further information as regards the Hölder and Cauchy–Schwarz inequalities we refer the reader to [3–5, 11, 12, 20] and the references therein. Ando [1] proved that if Φ is a positive linear map, then for positive operators $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $t \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$\Phi(A \sharp_t B) \leq \Phi(A) \sharp_t \Phi(B).$$

Recently, some authors presented several reverse-types of Ando’s inequality (see [13, 17]).

The Hölder–McCarthy’s inequality says that for any positive operator A and any unit vector $x \in \mathcal{H}$, we have

$$\langle A^t x, x \rangle \leq \langle Ax, x \rangle^t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1. \quad (5)$$

Furuta [8] showed that this inequality is equivalent to Young’s inequality.

3 Conclusions

In this paper, we establish a reverse of Ando’s inequality for positive (non-unital) linear maps and positive definite matrices by using an inequality due to Sababheh. We obtain some reverses of the matrix Hölder and Cauchy–Schwarz inequalities and a reverse of inequality (5) for $t \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle Tx, x \rangle^t - \langle T^t x, x \rangle \\ & \leq 2R(\langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - \langle T^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \rangle) - r_0(\langle T^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \rangle + \langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2\langle T^{\frac{1}{4}}x, x \rangle \langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{4}}). \end{aligned}$$

4 Methods

We use the properties of inner product and the inequalities obtained in [16] and [19].

5 Main results

To prove our first result, we need the following lemmas.

Lemma 1 ([16]) *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathcal{C})$ be positive definite matrices and $t \in [0, 1]$. Then*

$$\sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t)(A \sharp_{\alpha_j(t)} B + A \sharp_{2^{1-j} + \alpha_j(t)} B - 2A \sharp_{2^{-j} + \alpha_j(t)} B) + A \sharp_t B \leq A \nabla_t B, \quad (6)$$

where $\alpha_j(t) = \frac{k_j(t)}{2^{j-1}}$.

For $N = 2$, we have the following lemma, which is shown in [19] for positive invertible operators.

Lemma 2 *Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive invertible operators and $t \in [0, 1]$.*

(i) *If $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then*

$$r_0(A \sharp B - 2A \sharp_{\frac{1}{4}} B + A) + 2t(A \nabla B - A \sharp B) + A \sharp_t B \leq A \nabla_t B. \quad (7)$$

(ii) If $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$, then

$$r_0(A \sharp B - 2A \sharp_{\frac{3}{4}} B + B) + 2(1-t)(A \nabla B - A \sharp B) + A \sharp_t B \leq A \nabla_t B, \quad (8)$$

where $r = \min\{\nu, 1-\nu\}$ and $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Lemma 3 ([16]) Let $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_n(\mathbb{C})$ be positive definite matrices and $t \in [0, 1]$.

(i) If $0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} A \nabla_t B &\leq A \sharp_t B + 2(1-t)(A \nabla B - A \sharp B) \\ &\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t)(A \sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} B + A \sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} B - 2A \sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} B). \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

(ii) If $\frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} A \nabla_t B &\leq A \sharp_t B + 2t(A \nabla B - A \sharp B) \\ &\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2-2t)(A \sharp_{\gamma_j(t)} B + A \sharp_{\gamma_j(t)+2^{1-j}} B - 2A \sharp_{\gamma_j(t)+2^{-j}} B), \end{aligned}$$

where $\beta_j(t) = 2^{-j}k_j(2t)$ and $\gamma_j(t) = 2^{1-j}k_j(2-2t)$.

Remark 4 By using functional calculus and numerical inequalities in [10, 16], we can extend inequality (1), Lemmas 1 and 3 for positive invertible operators.

For $N = 2$, we have the following lemma, which is shown in [19] for positive invertible operators.

Lemma 5 Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive invertible operators and $t \in [0, 1]$.

(i) If $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$A \nabla_t B \leq A \sharp_t B + 2(1-t)(A \nabla B - A \sharp B) - r_0(A \sharp B - 2A \sharp_{\frac{3}{4}} B + B). \quad (10)$$

(ii) If $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$, then

$$A \nabla_t B \leq A \sharp_t B + 2t(A \nabla B - A \sharp B) - r_0(A \sharp B - 2A \sharp_{\frac{1}{4}} B + A), \quad (11)$$

where $r = \min\{\nu, 1-\nu\}$ and $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Now, we obtain a reverse of Ando's inequality for positive invertible operators as follows.

Theorem 6 Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive invertible operators, Φ be a positive linear map and $t \in [0, 1]$.

(i) If $0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$\Phi(A) \sharp_t \Phi(B) - \Phi(A \sharp_t B)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 2R \left(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B) + \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(A) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B)) \right) \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t) (\Phi(A\sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} B) + \Phi(A\sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} B) - 2\Phi(A\sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} B)) \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (\Phi(A)\sharp_{\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B) + \Phi(A)\sharp_{2^{1-j}+\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B) \\
&\quad - 2\Phi(A)\sharp_{2^{-j}+\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B)). \tag{12}
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) If $\frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Phi(A)\sharp_t\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp_t B) \\
&\leq 2R \left(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B) + \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(A) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B)) \right) \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2-2t) (\Phi(A\sharp_{\gamma_j(t)} B) + \Phi(A\sharp_{\gamma_j(t)+2^{1-j}} B) - 2\Phi(A\sharp_{\gamma_j(t)+2^{-j}} B)) \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (\Phi(A)\sharp_{\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B) + \Phi(A)\sharp_{2^{1-j}+\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B) \\
&\quad - 2\Phi(A)\sharp_{2^{-j}+\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B)), \tag{13}
\end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha_j(t) = \frac{k_j(t)}{2^{j-1}}$, $\beta_j(t) = 2^{-j}k_j(2t)$, $\gamma_j(t) = 2^{1-j}k_j(2-2t)$ and $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$.

Proof The proof of inequality (13) is similar to the proof of inequality (12). Thus, we only prove inequality (12).

Let $0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Applying inequalities (10) and (9), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (A\sharp_{\alpha_j(t)} B + A\sharp_{2^{1-j}+\alpha_j(t)} B - 2A\sharp_{2^{-j}+\alpha_j(t)} B) \\
&\leq A\nabla_t B - A\sharp_t B \\
&\leq 2R(A\nabla B - A\sharp B) - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t) (A\sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} B + A\sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} B - 2A\sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} B). \tag{14}
\end{aligned}$$

Now, using the positive linear map Φ on (14), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (\Phi(A\sharp_{\alpha_j(t)} B) + \Phi(A\sharp_{2^{1-j}+\alpha_j(t)} B) - 2\Phi(A\sharp_{2^{-j}+\alpha_j(t)} B)) + \Phi(A\sharp_t B) \\
&\leq \Phi(A)\nabla_t\Phi(B) \\
&\leq 2R(\Phi(A)\nabla\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B)) + \Phi(A\sharp_t B) \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t) (\Phi(A\sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} B) + \Phi(A\sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} B) - 2\Phi(A\sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} B)). \tag{15}
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, if we replace A and B by $\Phi(A)$ and $\Phi(B)$ in inequality (14), respectively, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (\Phi(A) \sharp_{\alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) + \Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{1-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B)) \\
& \quad + \Phi(A) \sharp_t \Phi(B) \\
& \leq \Phi(A) \nabla_t \Phi(B) \\
& \leq 2R(\Phi(A) \nabla \Phi(B) - \Phi(A \sharp B)) + \Phi(A) \sharp_t \Phi(B) \\
& \quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t) (\Phi(A) \sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} \Phi(B) + \Phi(A) \sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} \Phi(B) \\
& \quad - 2\Phi(A) \sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} \Phi(B)). \tag{16}
\end{aligned}$$

From the first inequality of (16) and the second inequality of (15), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (\Phi(A) \sharp_{\alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) + \Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{1-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B)) \\
& \quad + \Phi(A) \sharp_t \Phi(B) \\
& \leq \Phi(A) \nabla_t \Phi(B) \\
& \leq 2R(\Phi(A) \nabla \Phi(B) - \Phi(A \sharp B)) + \Phi(A \sharp_t B) \\
& \quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t) (\Phi(A \sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} B) + \Phi(A \sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} B) - 2\Phi(A \sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} B)),
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (\Phi(A) \sharp_{\alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) + \Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{1-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B)) \\
& \quad + \Phi(A) \sharp_t \Phi(B) \\
& \leq 2R(\Phi(A) \nabla \Phi(B) - \Phi(A \sharp B)) + \Phi(A \sharp_t B) \\
& \quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t) (\Phi(A \sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} B) + \Phi(A \sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} B) - 2\Phi(A \sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} B)).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, applying inequality (1), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Phi(A) \sharp_t \Phi(B) - \Phi(A \sharp_t B) \\
& \leq 2R(\Phi(A) \nabla \Phi(B) - \Phi(A \sharp B)) \\
& \quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t) (\Phi(A \sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)} B) + \Phi(A \sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)} B) - 2\Phi(A \sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)} B)) \\
& \quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t) (\Phi(A) \sharp_{\alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) + \Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{1-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A) \sharp_{2^{-j} + \alpha_j(t)} \Phi(B))
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 2R \left(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B) + \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(A) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B)) \right) \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(2t)(\Phi(A\sharp_{1-\beta_j(t)}B) + \Phi(A\sharp_{1+2^{-j}-\beta_j(t)}B) - 2\Phi(A\sharp_{1-2^{-j-1}-\beta_j(t)}B)) \\
&\quad - \sum_{j=1}^N s_j(t)(\Phi(A)\sharp_{\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B) + \Phi(A)\sharp_{2^{1-j}+\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp_{2^{-j}+\alpha_j(t)}\Phi(B)). \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly for $N = 2$ by applying Lemma 2 and Lemma 5, we can obtain a reverse of Ando's inequality for positive invertible operators.

Corollary 7 Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive invertible operators, Φ be a positive linear map and $t \in [0, 1]$.

(i) If $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Phi(A)\sharp_t\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp_t B) \\
&\leq 2R \left(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B) + \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(A) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B)) \right) \\
&\quad - r_0(\Phi(A\sharp B) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A\sharp_{\frac{3}{4}}B)) \\
&\quad - r_0(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) + \Phi(A) - 2(\Phi(A)\sharp_{\frac{1}{4}}\Phi(B))) \\
&\leq 2R \left(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B) + \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(A) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B)) \right); \quad (17)
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) if $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Phi(A)\sharp_t\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp_t B) \\
&\leq 2R \left(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B) + \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(A) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B)) \right) \\
&\quad - r_0(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) + \Phi(B) - 2(\Phi(A)\sharp_{\frac{3}{4}}\Phi(B))) \\
&\quad - r_0(\Phi(A\sharp B) + \Phi(A) - 2\Phi(A\sharp_{\frac{1}{4}}B)) \\
&\leq 2R \left(\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B) - \Phi(A\sharp B) + \frac{1}{2}(\Phi(A) + \Phi(B) - 2\Phi(A)\sharp\Phi(B)) \right), \quad (18)
\end{aligned}$$

where $r = \min\{t, 1-t\}$, $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$ and $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

We want to establish some inequalities for positive invertible operators.

Theorem 8 Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive invertible. If $t \in [0, 1]$ and Φ, Ψ are two unital positive linear maps, then for any unit vector $x \in \mathcal{H}$

(i) for $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
&2r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle \nabla \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{1/2})x, x \rangle) \\
&+ r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + t\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Psi(B^t)x, x \rangle \langle \Phi(A^{1-t})x, x \rangle \\
&\leq 2R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle \nabla \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle) \\
&\quad - r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle); \quad (19)
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) for $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
&R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{1/2})x, x \rangle) \\
&\quad + r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle) \\
&\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + t\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Psi(B^t)x, x \rangle \langle \Phi(A^{1-t})x, x \rangle \\
&\leq r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle) \\
&\quad - r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle),
\end{aligned}$$

where $r = \min\{t, 1-t\}$, $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$, $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Proof The proof of part (ii) is similar to the proof of part (i). Thus we only prove (i).

Applying inequality (2) for any positive real numbers k, s , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&r(k+s-2\sqrt{ks}) + r_0(k^{\frac{1}{2}}s^{\frac{1}{2}} + k - 2k^{\frac{3}{4}}s^{\frac{1}{4}}) \\
&\leq (1-t)k + ts - k^{1-t}s^t \\
&\leq R(k+s-2\sqrt{ks}) - r_0(k^{\frac{1}{2}}s^{\frac{1}{2}} + s - 2k^{\frac{1}{4}}s^{\frac{3}{4}}). \quad (20)
\end{aligned}$$

Fix s in (20). Then applying functional calculus to the operator A , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&r(A+sI-2\sqrt{s}A^{\frac{1}{2}}) + r_0(A^{\frac{1}{2}}s^{\frac{1}{2}} + A - 2A^{\frac{3}{4}}s^{\frac{1}{4}}) \\
&\leq (1-t)A + tsI - s^tA^{1-t} \\
&\leq R(A+sI-2\sqrt{s}A^{\frac{1}{2}}) - r_0(A^{\frac{1}{2}}s^{\frac{1}{2}} + sI - 2A^{\frac{1}{4}}s^{\frac{3}{4}}). \quad (21)
\end{aligned}$$

If we apply the positive linear map Φ and inner product for $x \in \mathcal{H}$ with $\|x\| = 1$ in inequality (21), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + s - 2\sqrt{s}\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle) \\
&\quad + r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle s^{\frac{1}{2}} + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle s^{\frac{1}{4}}) \\
&\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + ts - s^t\langle \Phi(A^{1-t})x, x \rangle \\
&\leq R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + s - 2\sqrt{s}\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle) - r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle s^{\frac{1}{2}} + s - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle s^{\frac{3}{4}}).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, using the functional calculus to the operator B , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + B - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle B^{1/2}) \\
&\quad + r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle B^{\frac{1}{2}} + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle B^{\frac{1}{4}})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + tB - B^t\langle \Phi(A^{1-t})x, x \rangle \\ &\leq R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + B - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle B^{\frac{1}{2}}) - r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle B^{\frac{1}{2}} + B - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle B^{\frac{3}{4}}). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the positive linear map Ψ and the inner product for $y \in \mathcal{H}$ with $\|y\| = 1$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)y, y \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle) \\ &\quad + r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle) \\ &\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + t\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Psi(B^t)x, x \rangle \langle \Phi(A^{1-t})x, x \rangle \\ &\leq R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle) \\ &\quad - r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{4}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B^{\frac{3}{4}})x, x \rangle). \end{aligned}$$

Now, if we put $x = y$, then we get the desired result. \square

Theorem 9 Let $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive invertible. If $t \in [0, 1]$ and Φ, Ψ are two unital positive linear maps, then for any unit vector $x \in \mathcal{H}$

(i) for $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} &2r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle \nabla \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &\quad + r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{3/4})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/4}) \\ &\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + t\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^t \langle \Phi(A^{1-t})x, x \rangle \\ &\leq 2R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle \nabla \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &\quad - r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{1/4})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{3/4}); \end{aligned}$$

(ii) for $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} &R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &\quad + r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{1/4})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{3/4}) \\ &\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + t\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^t \langle \Phi(A^{1-t})x, x \rangle \\ &\leq r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &\quad - r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{3/4})x, x \rangle \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/4}), \end{aligned}$$

where $r = \min\{t, 1-t\}$, $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$, $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Proof The proof of part (ii) is similar to the proof of part (i). Thus we just prove (i). For any positive real number k and any unit vector $x \in \mathcal{H}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &r(k + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\sqrt{k}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle) + r_0(k^{1/2}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + k - 2k^{3/4}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/4}) \\ &\leq (1-t)k + t\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - k^{1-t}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^t \\ &\leq R(k + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2\sqrt{k}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &\quad - r_0(k^{1/2}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle - 2k^{1/4}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{3/4}). \end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Applying inequality (22) and the functional calculus for the operator A , we have

$$r(A + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - 2\sqrt{A}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle) \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+ r_0(A^{1/2}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + A - 2A^{3/4}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/4}) \\ &\leq (1-t)A + t(\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - A^{1-t}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^t) \\ &\leq R(A + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - 2\sqrt{A}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &- r_0(A^{1/2}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - 2A^{1/4}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{3/4}). \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

Now, using the unital positive operator Φ and the inner product for $y \in \mathcal{H}$ with $\|y\| = 1$ in inequality (23), we get

$$\begin{aligned} &r(\langle \Phi(A)y, y \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - 2\langle \Phi(A)y, y \rangle^{1/2}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle) \\ &+ r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})y, y \rangle\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Phi(A)y, y \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(A^{3/4})y, y \rangle\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/4}) \\ &\leq (1-t)\langle \Phi(A)y, y \rangle + t(\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - \langle \Phi(A^{1-t})y, y \rangle\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^t) \\ &\leq R(\langle \Phi(A)y, y \rangle + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - 2\langle \Phi(A)y, y \rangle^{1/2}\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &- r_0(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})y, y \rangle\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{1/2} + \langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle I_{\mathcal{H}} - 2\langle \Phi(A^{1/4})y, y \rangle\langle \Psi(B)x, x \rangle^{3/4}). \end{aligned}$$

Now, putting $y = x$, we get the desired result. \square

Corollary 10 Let $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive, Φ be a unital positive linear map and $t \in [0, 1]$. Then for any unit vector $x \in \mathcal{H}$

(i) for $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$,

$$\begin{aligned} &2r(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}}(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - \langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle)) \\ &+ r_0(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}}(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &- 2\langle \Phi(A^{3/4})x, x \rangle\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{-1/4}) \\ &\leq \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^t - \langle \Phi(A^t)x, x \rangle \\ &\leq 2R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}}(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - \langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle)) \\ &- r_0(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}}(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &- 2\langle \Phi(A^{1/4})x, x \rangle\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{1/4}); \end{aligned}$$

(ii) for $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} &2R(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}}(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - \langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle)) \\ &+ r_0(\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}}(\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &- 2\langle \Phi(A^{1/4})x, x \rangle\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{1/4}) \\ &\leq \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^t - \langle \Phi(A^t)x, x \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq 2r\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}} (\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - \langle \Phi(A^{\frac{1}{2}})x, x \rangle) \\ &\quad - r_0\langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}} (\langle \Phi(A^{1/2})x, x \rangle + \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{1/2}) \\ &\quad - 2\langle \Phi(A^{3/4})x, x \rangle \langle \Phi(A)x, x \rangle^{-1/4}), \end{aligned}$$

where $r = \min\{t, 1-t\}$, $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$, $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Proof Letting $\Psi = \Phi$ and $B = A$ in Theorem 9, we get the desired inequalities. \square

In the next result, we obtain a refinement of inequality (5) for $t \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$.

Corollary 11 Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be positive operator and $x \in \mathcal{H}$ be a unit vector. Then, for $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\langle Tx, x \rangle^t - \langle T^t x, x \rangle \\ &\leq 2R\langle Tx, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}} (\langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - \langle T^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \rangle) \\ &\quad - r_0\langle Tx, x \rangle^{t-\frac{1}{2}} (\langle T^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \rangle + \langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2\langle T^{\frac{1}{4}}x, x \rangle \langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{4}}) \\ &\leq 2R(\langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - \langle T^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \rangle) - r_0(\langle T^{\frac{1}{2}}x, x \rangle + \langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} - 2\langle T^{\frac{1}{4}}x, x \rangle \langle Tx, x \rangle^{\frac{1}{4}}), \end{aligned}$$

where $r = \min\{t, 1-t\}$, $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$, $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Proof If we replace $\Phi(A) = A$, $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and t with $1-t$ in Corollary 10, then we get the desired result. \square

6 Some new results

In this section, we prove some difference reverse-types of the Hölder and Cauchy–Schwarz inequalities.

Theorem 12 Let $A_i, B_i \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$) be positive invertible and $t \in [0, 1]$.

(i) If $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \sharp_t \left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp_t B_i \right) \\ &\leq R \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i) \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp \frac{3}{4} B_i) \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp \sum_{i=1}^n B_i + \sum_{i=1}^n A_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^n B_i \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$, then

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \sharp_t \left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp_t B_i \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq R \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp B_i \right) \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \sharp \left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \sharp^{\frac{3}{4}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i \right) \right) \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n A_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp^{\frac{1}{4}} B_i) \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $r = \min\{t, 1-t\}$, $R = \max\{t, 1-t\}$ and $r_0 = \min\{2r, 1-2r\}$.

Proof Taking $A = \text{diag}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$, $B = \text{diag}(B_1, \dots, B_n)$ and $\Phi([C_{ij}]_{1 \leq i,j \leq n}) = \sum_{i=1}^n C_{ii}$ in equalities (17) and (18), we get the desired inequality. \square

Since the function $f(x) = x^t$ ($t \in [0, 1]$) is an operator concave function, $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^t \leq (\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i)^t$ for positive operators T_i and positive real numbers w_i such that $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$. Now, Theorem 12 yields a reverse of this inequality as follows.

Example 13 If for positive operators T_i ($1 \leq i \leq n$), we take $A_i = w_i I$ and $B_i = w_i T_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$), in Theorem 12, where w_i 's are positive real numbers such that $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$, we obtain the following inequalities:

(i) If $0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i \right)^t - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^t &\leq R \left(I + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^{1/2} \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^{1/2} + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^{3/4} \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i \right)^{1/2} + I - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i \right)^{1/4} \right). \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If $\frac{1}{2} < t \leq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i \right)^t - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^t &\leq R \left(I + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^{1/2} \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i \right)^{1/2} + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i \right)^{3/4} \right) \\ &\quad - r_0 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^{1/2} + I - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n w_i T_i^{1/4} \right). \end{aligned}$$

In [18], the Tsallis relative operator entropy $T_t(A|B)$ for positive invertible operators A , B and $0 < t \leq 1$ is defined as follows:

$$T_t(A, B) = \frac{A \sharp_t B - A}{t}.$$

For further information as regards the Tsallis relative operator entropy see [6] and the references therein. In [7, Proposition 2.3], it is shown that for any unital positive linear map Φ the following inequality holds:

$$\Phi(T_t(A|B)) \leq T_t(\Phi(A)|\Phi(B)). \quad (25)$$

In (25), by similar techniques of Theorem 12, for positive operators A_i, B_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, n$), we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (T_t(A_i|B_i)) \leq T_t\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \middle| \sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right). \quad (26)$$

In the next theorem, we show a reverse of inequality (26).

Theorem 14 Let $A_i, B_i \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$) be positive invertible and $t \in (0, 1)$.

(i) If $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & T_t\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \middle| \sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n (T_t(A_i|B_i)) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{t} \left[R\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i)\right) \right. \\ & \quad - r_0\left(\sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp \frac{3}{4} B_i)\right) \\ & \quad \left. - r_0\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp \sum_{i=1}^n B_i + \sum_{i=1}^n A_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right)\right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) If $\frac{1}{2} < t < 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & T_t\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \middle| \sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n (T_t(A_i|B_i)) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{t} \left[R\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp B_i\right)\right) \right. \\ & \quad - r_0\left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \sharp \left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right) + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp \frac{3}{4} \sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right)\right) \\ & \quad \left. - r_0\left(\sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n A_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp \frac{1}{4} B_i)\right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Proof Applying Theorem 12 for $0 < t \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & T_t\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \middle| \sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n (T_t(A_i|B_i)) \\ & = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \sharp_t \left(\sum_{i=1}^n B_i\right) - \sum_{i=1}^n A_i}{t} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{A_i \sharp_t B_i - A_i}{t} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{1}{t} \left[R \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i) \right) - r_0 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp B_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n B_i - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (A_i \sharp \frac{3}{4} B_i) \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - r_0 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp \sum_{i=1}^n B_i + \sum_{i=1}^n A_i - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i \sharp \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i=1}^n B_i \right) \right) \right], \end{aligned}$$

whence we get the first inequality. The proof of the second inequality is similar. \square

Remark 15 We can present our results for non-invertible operators; see [6]. It is a direct consequence of the definition of the mean in the sense of Kubo–Ando [11] that $A \sharp_t (B + \varepsilon)$ is a monotone increasing net. Let B be a non-invertible operator and $\varepsilon > 0$. It follows from the set $\{A \sharp_t (B + \varepsilon) : \varepsilon > 0\}$ being bounded above for $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ that the limit

$$A \sharp_t B = \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} A \sharp_t (B + \varepsilon) \quad (27)$$

exists in the strong operator topology. So by (27), $A \sharp_t B$ exists.

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