

A NORM INEQUALITY FOR SOME SPECIAL FUNCTIONS

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Abstract. Let A, B be invertible positive operators on a complex separable Hilbert space \mathcal{H} and X be an operator on \mathcal{H} associated with a norm ideal corresponding to a unitarily invariant norm $|||\cdot|||$. We shall prove that

$$|||\Gamma(A)X - X\Gamma(B)||| \leq c(m, M) |||AX - XB|||$$

for all unitarily invariant norms $|||\cdot|||$, where $c(m, M)$ is a function of $m = \min\{\|A\|, \|B\|\}$ and $M = \max\{\|A\|, \|B\|\}$, and Γ denotes the Gamma function. Further if f is a Bernstein function, we shall prove that

$$|||f(A)X - Xf(B)||| \leq f'(m) |||AX - XB|||.$$

This inequality supplements and unifies all the results proved by a number of authors for operator monotone functions.

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