

## SOME INEQUALITIES RELATED TO $p$ -SCHATTEN NORM

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*Abstract.* In this paper, we investigate the known operator inequalities for the  $p$ -Schatten norm and obtain some refinements of these inequalities when parameters taking values in different regions. Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B_1, \dots, B_n \in B_p(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j = 0$ . Then for  $0 < p \leq 2$ ,  $p \geq \lambda > 0$  and  $\mu \geq 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} n^{2(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{\lambda})} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{\lambda}} &\leq n^{\frac{2}{p} - \frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^p + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|_p^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\leq 2^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{2}{p\mu} - \frac{3}{p} - \frac{2}{p\mu} - \frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}} \right)^{\frac{2}{p\mu}}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $p \geq 2$ ,  $p \leq \lambda$  and  $0 < \mu \leq 2$ , the inequalities are reversed. Moreover, we get some applications of our results.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $B(H)$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra of all bounded linear operators acting on a complex separable Hilbert space  $H$ .  $|A| = (X^*X)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  denotes the absolute value of an operator  $A \in B(H)$ . If  $A \in B(H)$  is compact, let  $\{s_j(A)\}_{j=1}^\infty$  be the sequence of decreasingly ordered singular values of  $A$ . For  $0 < p < \infty$ , let  $\|A\|_p = (tr|A|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} = (\sum_{j=1}^\infty s_j^p(A))^{\frac{1}{p}}$ , where  $tr$  is the usual trace function. This defines the Schatten  $p$ -norm (quasi-norm, resp.) for  $1 \leq p < \infty$  ( $0 < p < 1$ , resp.) on the set

$$B_p(H) = \{X \in B(H) : \|X\|_p < \infty\},$$

which is called the  $p$ -Schatten class of  $B(H)$  (see [5]). The Schatten  $p$ -norms are unitarily invariant and when  $p = 1$ ,  $\|A\|_1 = tr|A|$  is called the trace norm of  $A$ .

There are some classical Clarkson's inequalities for the Schatten  $p$ -norms of operators in  $B_p(H)$  (See [3]). If  $A, B \in B_p(H)$ , then

$$2^{p-1} (\|A\|_p^p + \|B\|_p^p) \leq \|A - B\|_p^p + \|A + B\|_p^p \leq 2(\|A\|_p^p + \|B\|_p^p) \quad (1.1)$$

for  $0 < p \leq 2$  and

$$2(\|A\|_p^p + \|B\|_p^p) \leq \|A - B\|_p^p + \|A + B\|_p^p \leq 2^{p-1} (\|A\|_p^p + \|B\|_p^p) \quad (1.2)$$

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for  $2 \leq p < \infty$ . For  $p = 2$ , by (1.1) and (1.2), we have

$$\|A - B\|_2^2 + \|A + B\|_2^2 = 2(\|A\|_2^2 + \|B\|_2^2),$$

which is called parallelogram law. When  $p \neq 2$ , the equality  $2(\|A\|_p^p + \|B\|_p^p) = \|A - B\|_p^p + \|A + B\|_p^p$  holds if and only if  $A^*B = AB^* = 0$ , or equivalently  $R(A)$  and  $R(B)$  are orthogonal. (See [3]).

Hirzallah, Kittaneh and Moslehian etc. have obtained some generalizations of (1.1) to  $n$ -tuples of operators and many different conclusions by using various methods such as complex interpolation method, concavity and convexity of certain functions, etc. (See [1, 6, 7, 8]).

Recently, some refinements of some  $p$ -Schatten inequalities have been given by Conde and Moslehian in [4].

**THEOREM 1.1.** ([4]) *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B_1, \dots, B_n \in B_p(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j = 0$ , then for  $0 < p \leq 2$ ,  $p \leq \lambda$  and  $0 < \mu \leq 2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{\mu}} n^{1-\frac{1}{\mu}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^\mu + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|_p^\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} &\leq n^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|_p^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq n^{2(\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{\lambda})} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{\lambda}}. \end{aligned} \tag{1.3}$$

For  $2 \leq p$ ,  $0 < \lambda \leq p$  and  $2 \leq \mu$ , the inequalities are reversed.

**THEOREM 1.2.** ([4]) *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B_1, \dots, B_n \in B_p(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j = 0$ , then for  $0 < p \leq 2$ ,  $p \leq \lambda$  and  $0 < \mu \leq 2$ ,*

$$n \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \leq n^{\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{\lambda}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (|A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\lambda}}. \tag{1.4}$$

For  $2 \leq p$ ,  $0 < \lambda \leq p$  and  $2 \leq \mu$ , the inequality is reversed.

In this paper, motivated by the above conclusions, we consider some refinements of  $p$ -Schatten norm inequalities when  $p$ ,  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  taking values in different regions.

## 2. Main results

In this section we consider the  $p$ -Schatten norm inequalities of (1.3) and (1.4) when parameters taking values in different regions. We start our works with the following lemmas that we will use along the paper.

**FACT 1.**  $M_s(\bar{x}) \leq M_{s'}(\bar{x})$  for  $0 < s \leq s'$ , where  $M_s(\bar{x}) = \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^s \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}$ ,  $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is an  $n$ -tuples of non-negative numbers.

**FACT 2.**  $\|T\|_p^2 = \||T|^2\|_{\frac{p}{2}}$  for any  $T \in B_p(H)$  with  $p > 0$ .

*Proof.* By the definition of Schatten  $p$ -norm, we have  $\|T\|_p^2 = (tr|T|^p)^{\frac{2}{p}}$  and  $\||T|^2\|_{\frac{p}{2}} = (tr(|T|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}})^{\frac{2}{p}} = (tr|T|^p)^{\frac{2}{p}}$ .  $\square$

LEMMA 2.1. ([4]) *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B_1, \dots, B_n \in B(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j = 0$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |A_i \pm B_j|^2 &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n |A_i|^2 + |B_j|^2 \pm \sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j + B_j^* A_i \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n |A_i|^2 + |B_j|^2. \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

LEMMA 2.2. ([2–3]) *If  $A_1, \dots, A_n \in B_p(H)$  for some  $p > 0$ , and  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  are positive, then for  $0 < p \leq 1$ ,*

$$n^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^p \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p \right)^p \leq \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \right\|_p^p \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^p \tag{2.2}$$

and for  $1 \leq p < \infty$  the inequalities are reversed.

They are a refinement of Lemma 2.1 in [7]. A commutative version of the previous lemma for scalars is the following:

Let  $\bar{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  be an  $n$ -tuples of non-negative numbers, then

$$n^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^p \leq \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \tag{2.3}$$

for  $0 < p \leq 1$  and

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^p \leq n^{p-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^p \tag{2.4}$$

for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

LEMMA 2.3. ([2]) *If  $T_1, \dots, T_n$  are positive operators in  $B_p(H)$  then*

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n T_i \right\|_p \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \|T_i\|_p \tag{2.5}$$

for  $0 < p < 1$ .

THEOREM 2.4. *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B_1, \dots, B_n \in B_p(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j = 0$ . Then for  $0 < p \leq 2$ ,  $p \geq \lambda > 0$  and  $\mu \geq 2$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} n^{2(\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{\lambda})} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{\lambda}} &\leq n^{\frac{2}{p} - \frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^p + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|_p^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\leq 2^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{2}{p\mu}} n^{\frac{3}{p} - \frac{2}{p\mu} - \frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}} \right)^{\frac{2}{p\mu}}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $p \geq 2$ ,  $p \leq \lambda$  and  $0 < \mu \leq 2$ , the inequalities are reversed.

*Proof.* Let  $0 < p \leq 2$ ,  $p \geq \lambda > 0$ ,  $\mu \geq 2$ . It follows from  $M_\lambda(\bar{x}) \leq M_p(\bar{x})$  that

$$\begin{aligned} n^{2(\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{\lambda})} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{\lambda}} &= n^{\frac{2}{p}} \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\lambda \right)^{\frac{1}{\lambda}} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the Fact 2, formula (2.3), Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.3, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} &= \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\ &\leq [(n^2)^{1-\frac{p}{2}} \left( \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right)^{\frac{p}{2}}]^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\ &\leq ((n^2)^{1-\frac{p}{2}} \left\| \sum_{i,j=1}^n |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\ &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-1} \left\| \sum_{i,j=1}^n |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right|^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\ &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-1} \left\| \sum_{i,j=1}^n |A_i|^2 + |B_j|^2 \right\|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\ &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-1} n^{\frac{1}{2}} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n |B_i|^2 \right\|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\ &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n |B_i|^2 \right\|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{\mu}}. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2.2 and the convexity of the function  $f(x) = x^\alpha$  on  $[0, +\infty)$  for  $1 \leq \alpha < \infty$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n |A_i|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n |B_i|^2 \right\|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{\mu}} &\leq n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \|A_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} + \|B_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right) \right)^{\frac{2}{\mu}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\ &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \right]^{\frac{2}{\rho\mu}} \\ &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}} (2n)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p}{2}} \right) \right)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \frac{2}{\rho\mu} \\ &\leq n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}} (2n)^{\frac{\mu}{2}} \frac{1}{2n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p\mu}{2}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|^2 \left\| \frac{p}{2} \right\|^{\frac{p\mu}{2}} \right)^{\frac{2}{\rho\mu}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= n^{\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{2}}(2n)^{\frac{1}{p}-\frac{2}{p\mu}}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n\|A_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}}+\sum_{i=1}^n\|B_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}}\right)^{\frac{2}{p\mu}} \\
 &= 2^{\frac{1}{p}-\frac{2}{p\mu}}n^{\frac{3}{p}-\frac{2}{p\mu}-\frac{1}{2}}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n\|A_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}}+\sum_{i=1}^n\|B_i\|_p^{\frac{p\mu}{2}}\right)^{\frac{2}{p\mu}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

When  $p \geq 2$ ,  $p \leq \lambda$  and  $0 < \mu \leq 2$ , a similar argument shows that the equalities are reversed.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.5.** *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B_1, \dots, B_n \in B_p(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j = 0$ . Then*

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_2^2 = n\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_2^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \|B_i\|_2^2\right).$$

*Proof.* Motivated by Theorem 2.4, let  $\lambda = \mu = p = 2$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.6.** *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n \in B_p(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^n A_i = 0$ . Then*

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm A_j\|_2^2 = 2n \sum_{i=1}^n \|A_i\|_2^2.$$

*Proof.*  $\sum_{i=1}^n A_i = 0$  implies that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* A_j = 0$ . The statement is a consequence of Corollary 2.5.  $\square$

**THEOREM 2.7.** *Let  $A_1, \dots, A_n, B_1, \dots, B_n \in B_p(H)$  such that  $\sum_{i,j=1}^n A_i^* B_j = 0$ . Then for  $0 < p \leq 2$ ,  $p \geq \lambda > 0$  and  $\mu \geq 2$ ,*

$$n\left(\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\mu\right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \geq n^{2-\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{\lambda}}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n (\|A_i\|^2 + \|B_i\|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\lambda}}.$$

*For  $p \geq 2$ ,  $p \leq \lambda$  and  $0 < \mu \leq 2$ , the inequality is reversed.*

*Proof.* We suppose that  $0 < p \leq 2$ ,  $p \geq \lambda > 0$  and  $\mu \geq 2$ . Using Fact 2, formula (2.3), (2.5) and Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.2, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 n\left[\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^\mu\right]^{\frac{1}{\mu}} &= n\left[\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (\|A_i \pm B_j\|_p^2)^{\frac{\mu}{2}}\right]^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\
 &= n\left(\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \| |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{\mu}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}} \\
 &\geq n[n^{-\mu} \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n \| |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{\mu}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{\mu}}] \\
 &= \left(\sum_{i,j=1}^n \| |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\geq [(n^2)^{\frac{p}{2}-1} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \| |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{p}}] \\
&= [n^{p-2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \| |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{p}}] \\
&\geq [n^{p-2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n |A_i \pm B_j|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{p}}] \\
&= [n^{\frac{3p}{2}-2} \sum_{i=1}^n (|A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2) \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{p}}] \\
&\geq [n^{\frac{3p}{2}-2} (\sum_{i=1}^n \| |A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{p}})] \\
&= n^{\frac{3}{2}-\frac{2}{p}} [\sum_{i=1}^n \| |A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2 \|_{\frac{p}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}}] \\
&= n^{\frac{3}{2}-\frac{2}{p}} [\sum_{i=1}^n \| (|A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|_p^2]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= n^{\frac{3}{2}-\frac{2}{p}} [\sum_{i=1}^n (\| (|A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|_p^{\lambda})^{\frac{2}{\lambda}}]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&\geq n^{\frac{3}{2}-\frac{2}{p}} [n^{1-\frac{2}{\lambda}} (\sum_{i=1}^n \| (|A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|_p^{\lambda})^{\frac{2}{\lambda}}]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= n^{2-\frac{2}{p}-\frac{1}{\lambda}} (\sum_{i=1}^n \| (|A_i|^2 + |B_i|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \|_p^{\lambda})^{\frac{1}{\lambda}}.
\end{aligned}$$

When  $p \geq 2$ ,  $p \leq \lambda$  and  $0 < \mu \leq 2$ , a similar argument shows that the inequalities are reversed.  $\square$

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