



HADAMARD PRODUCT VERSIONS OF THE CHEBYSHEV AND KANTOROVICH INEQUALITIES

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ABSTRACT. The purpose of this note is to prove Hadamard product versions of the Chebyshev and the Kantorovich inequalities for positive real numbers. We also prove a generalization of Fiedler's inequality.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In what follows, the capital letters A, B, C, \dots denote $m \times m$ complex matrices, whereas the small letters a, b, c, \dots denote real numbers, unless mentioned otherwise. By $X \geq Y$ we mean that $X - Y$ is positive semidefinite ($X > Y$ mean $X - Y$ is positive definite). For $A = (a_{ij})$ and $B = (b_{ij})$, $A \circ B = (a_{ij}b_{ij})$ denotes the Hadamard product of A and B . According to Schur's theorem [4, Page 23] the Hadamard product is monotone in the sense that $A \geq B$, $C \geq D$ implies $A \circ C \geq B \circ D$. The tensor product $A \otimes B$ is the $m^2 \times m^2$ matrix

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}B & \cdots & a_{1m}B \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1}B & \cdots & a_{mm}B \end{pmatrix}.$$

Marcus and Khan in [10] made the simple but important observation that the Hadamard product is a principal submatrix of the tensor product. The inequality

$$(1.2) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i b_i \right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i b_i$$

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holds for all $a_1 \geq a_2 \geq \dots \geq a_n \geq 0$, $b_1 \geq b_2 \geq \dots \geq b_n \geq 0$ and weights $w_i \geq 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. Hardy, Littlewood and Polya [6, page 43] attribute this inequality to Chebyshev. For $0 < a \leq a_i \leq b$, $w_i \geq 0$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, Kantorovich's inequality states that

$$(1.3) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i a_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{w_i}{a_i} \right) \leq \frac{(a+b)^2}{4ab} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \right)^2.$$

In Section 2, we state and prove matrix versions of inequalities (1.2) and (1.3) involving the Hadamard product. A generalization of Fiedler's inequality is also proved in this section. There are several generalizations of Kantorovich and Fiedler's inequality; see [2, 3, 8, 9].

2. THE CHEBYSHEV AND KANTOROVICH INEQUALITIES: MATRIX VERSIONS

We begin with a Hadamard product version of inequality (1.2).

Theorem 2.1. *Let $A_1 \geq \dots \geq A_n \geq 0$ and $B_1 \geq \dots \geq B_n \geq 0$. Then*

$$(2.1) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i A_i \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i B_i \right) \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i (A_i \circ B_i) \right),$$

where $w_i \geq 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, are weights.

Proof. We have

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i (A_i \circ B_i) \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i A_i \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i B_i \right) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^n (w_i w_j (A_j \circ B_j) - w_i w_j (A_i \circ B_j)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n (w_i w_j (A_j \circ B_j) - w_i w_j (A_i \circ B_j) + w_j w_i (A_i \circ B_i) - w_j w_i (A_j \circ B_i)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n w_i w_j (A_i - A_j) \circ (B_i - B_j). \end{aligned}$$

Since the Hadamard product of two positive semidefinite matrices is positive semidefinite, therefore the summand in 2.2 is positive semidefinite. \square

Our next result is a Hadamard product version of inequality (1.3).

Theorem 2.2. *Let A_1, \dots, A_n be such that $0 < aI_m \leq A_i \leq bI_m$, $i = 1, \dots, n$ (here I_m denotes the $m \times m$ identity matrix). Then*

$$(2.3) \quad \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-1} W_i^{1/2} \right) \leq \frac{a^2 + b^2}{2ab} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i \right)$$

for all $W_i \geq 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Proof. We first prove the inequality

$$(2.4) \quad P^{1/2} A P^{1/2} \circ Q^{1/2} B^{-1} Q^{1/2} + P^{1/2} A^{-1} P^{1/2} \circ Q^{1/2} B Q^{1/2} \leq \frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} (P \circ Q),$$

when $0 < aI_m \leq A, B \leq bI_m$ and $P, Q \geq 0$. Let $A = UDU^*$ and $B = V\Gamma V^*$ with unitary U and V , and diagonal matrices D and Γ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} A \otimes B^{-1} + A^{-1} \otimes B &= (U \otimes V)(D \otimes \Gamma + \Gamma^{-1} \otimes D)(U \otimes V)^* \\ &\leq (U \otimes V) \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} (I_m \otimes I_m) \right) (U \otimes V)^* \\ &= \frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} (I_m \otimes I_m), \end{aligned}$$

where the inequality follows from (1.3). Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2.5) \quad P^{1/2}AP^{1/2} \otimes Q^{1/2}B^{-1}Q^{1/2} + P^{1/2}A^{-1}P^{1/2} \otimes Q^{1/2}BQ^{1/2} \\ &= (P^{1/2} \otimes Q^{1/2})(A \otimes B^{-1} + A^{-1} \otimes B)(P^{1/2} \otimes Q^{1/2}) \\ &\leq \frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} (P \otimes Q). \end{aligned}$$

Since the Hadamard product is a principal submatrix of the tensor product, the inequality (2.4) follows from (2.5). On taking $B = A$ and $Q = P$ in (2.4) we see that (2.3) holds for $n = 1$. Further, by (2.4) we have

$$W_i^{1/2}A_iW_i^{1/2} \circ W_j^{1/2}A_j^{-1}W_j^{1/2} + W_i^{1/2}A_i^{-1}W_i^{1/2} \circ W_j^{1/2}A_jW_j^{1/2} \leq \frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} (W_i \circ W_j)$$

for $i, j = 1, \dots, n$. Summing over i, j , we have

$$(2.6) \quad 2 \sum_{i,j=1}^n \left[(W_i^{1/2}A_iW_i^{1/2}) \circ (W_j^{1/2}A_j^{-1}W_j^{1/2}) \right] \leq \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2}{ab} \right) \sum_{i,j=1}^n (W_i \circ W_j),$$

which implies that

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2}A_iW_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2}A_i^{-1}W_i^{1/2} \right) \leq \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2ab} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i \right).$$

□

The next corollary follows on taking $W_i = w_iI_m, i = 1, \dots, n$.

Corollary 2.3. *Let A_1, \dots, A_n be such that $0 < aI_m \leq A_i \leq bI_m$, and $w_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n$ be weights. Then*

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i A_i \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i A_i^{-1} \right) \leq \left(\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2ab} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \right)^2 I_m.$$

Remark 1. The case $n = 1$ of Corollary 2.3 is proved in [7]. The example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad a = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}, \quad b = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

shows that the inequality

$$A \circ A^{-1} \leq \frac{(a + b)^2}{4ab} I_2$$

need not be true.

For our next result we need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.4. *Let $0 \leq r \leq 1$. Then $A^r + A^{-r} \leq A + A^{-1}$ for all $A > 0$.*

Proof. Suppose that $A = U\Gamma U^*$ with unitary U and diagonal matrix Γ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} A^r + A^{-r} &= U(\Gamma^r + \Gamma^{-r})U^* \\ &\leq U(\Gamma + \Gamma^{-1})U^* = A + A^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

since $x^r + x^{-r} \leq x + x^{-1}$ for any positive real number x and $0 \leq r \leq 1$. \square

Theorem 2.5. Let $0 \leq \alpha < \beta$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^\alpha W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\alpha} W_i^{1/2} \right) \\ \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^\beta W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\beta} W_i^{1/2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for all $A_i > 0$ and $W_i \geq 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Proof. We first prove the inequality

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} &\left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^\alpha W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^{-\alpha} W_j^{1/2} \right) + \left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\alpha} W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^\alpha W_j^{1/2} \right) \\ &\leq \left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^\beta W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^{-\beta} W_j^{1/2} \right) + \left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\beta} W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^\beta W_j^{1/2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for $0 \leq \alpha < \beta$. Let $0 \leq r \leq 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^r W_i^{1/2} \right) \otimes \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^{-r} W_j^{1/2} \right) + \left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-r} W_i^{1/2} \right) \otimes \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^r W_j^{1/2} \right) \\ &= \left(W_i^{1/2} \otimes W_j^{1/2} \right) \left(A_i^r \otimes A_j^{-r} + A_i^{-r} \otimes A_j^r \right) \left(W_i^{1/2} \otimes W_j^{1/2} \right) \\ &= \left(W_i^{1/2} \otimes W_j^{1/2} \right) \left((A_i \otimes A_j^{-1})^r + (A_i \otimes A_j^{-1})^{-r} \right) \left(W_i^{1/2} \otimes W_j^{1/2} \right) \\ &\leq \left(W_i^{1/2} \otimes W_j^{1/2} \right) \left((A_i \otimes A_j^{-1}) + (A_i \otimes A_j^{-1})^{-1} \right) \left(W_i^{1/2} \otimes W_j^{1/2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where the inequality follows from Lemma 2.4. Taking $r = \alpha/\beta$ and replacing A_i by A_i^β and A_j by A_j^β , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^\alpha W_i^{1/2} \right) \otimes \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^{-\alpha} W_j^{1/2} \right) + \left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\alpha} W_i^{1/2} \right) \otimes \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^\alpha W_j^{1/2} \right) \\ &\leq \left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^\beta W_i^{1/2} \right) \otimes \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^{-\beta} W_j^{1/2} \right) + \left(W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\beta} W_i^{1/2} \right) \otimes \left(W_j^{1/2} A_j^\beta W_j^{1/2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Again using the fact that the Hadamard product is a principal submatrix of the tensor product, the preceding inequality implies (2.7). Summing over i, j in (2.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^\alpha W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\alpha} W_i^{1/2} \right) \\ \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^\beta W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\beta} W_i^{1/2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

\square

Corollary 2.6. Let $0 \leq \alpha < \beta$. Then

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i^\alpha \right) \circ \left(\sum_{j=1}^n A_j^{-\alpha} \right) \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n A_i^\beta \right) \circ \left(\sum_{j=1}^n A_j^{-\beta} \right)$$

for all $A_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, n$.

Proof. Taking $W_i = I_m$ in Theorem 2.5 we get the desired result. □

Corollary 2.7. Let $0 \leq \beta$. Then

$$I_m \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^\beta W_i^{1/2} \right) \circ \left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_i^{1/2} A_i^{-\beta} W_i^{1/2} \right)$$

for all $A_i > 0$ and $W_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n$, where $\sum_{i=1}^n W_i = I_m$.

Proof. Taking $\alpha = 0$ in Theorem 2.5 gives the desired inequality. □

Remark 2. Corollary 2.7 is another generalization of Fiedler’s inequality [5]

$$A \circ A^{-1} \geq I_m.$$

Next we prove a convexity theorem involving the Hadamard product.

Theorem 2.8. The function

$$f(t) = A^{1+t} \circ B^{1-t} + A^{1-t} \circ B^{1+t}$$

is convex on the interval $[-1, 1]$ and attains its minimum at $t = 0$ for all $A, B > 0$.

Proof. Since f is continuous we need to prove only that f is mid-point convex. Note that for $A, B > 0$ and s, t in $[-1, 1]$ the matrices

$$\begin{pmatrix} A^{1+s+t} & A^{1+s} \\ A^{1+s} & A^{1+(s-t)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} A^{1-(s+t)} & A^{1-s} \\ A^{1-s} & A^{1-(s-t)} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} B^{1+s+t} & B^{1+s} \\ B^{1+s} & B^{1+(s-t)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} B^{1-(s+t)} & B^{1-s} \\ B^{1-s} & B^{1-(s-t)} \end{pmatrix}$$

are positive semidefinite. Hence the matrix

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} A^{1+s+t} \circ B^{1-(s+t)} + A^{1-(s+t)} \circ B^{1+s+t} & A^{1+s} \circ B^{1-s} + A^{1-s} \circ B^{1+s} \\ A^{1+s} \circ B^{1-s} + A^{1-s} \circ B^{1+s} & A^{1+(s-t)} \circ B^{1-(s-t)} + A^{1-(s-t)} \circ B^{1+(s-t)} \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive semidefinite. Similarly, the matrix

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} A^{1+(s-t)} \circ B^{1-(s-t)} + A^{1-(s-t)} \circ B^{1+(s-t)} & A^{1+s} \circ B^{1-s} + A^{1-s} \circ B^{1+s} \\ A^{1+s} \circ B^{1-s} + A^{1-s} \circ B^{1+s} & A^{1+(s+t)} \circ B^{1-(s+t)} + A^{1-(s+t)} \circ B^{1+(s+t)} \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive semidefinite. Hence

$$(2.8) \quad X + Y = \begin{pmatrix} f(s+t) + f(s-t) & 2f(s) \\ 2f(s) & f(s+t) + f(s-t) \end{pmatrix}$$

is positive semidefinite, which implies that

$$f(s) \leq \frac{1}{2}[f(s+t) + f(s-t)].$$

This proves the convexity of f . Further, note that $f(t) = f(-t)$. This together with the convexity of f implies that f attains its minimum at 0. □

Corollary 2.9. The function

$$g(t) = A^t \circ B^{1-t} + A^{1-t} \circ B^t$$

is decreasing on $[0, 1/2]$, increasing on $[1/2, 1]$, and attains its minimum at $t = \frac{1}{2}$ for all $A, B > 0$.

Proof. The proof follows on replacing A, B by $A^{1/2}, B^{1/2}$ and t by $\frac{1+t}{2}$ in Theorem 2.8. □

A norm $\|\cdot\|$ on $m \times m$ complex matrices is called unitarily invariant if $\|UXV\| = \|X\|$ for all unitary matrices U, V . If A is positive semidefinite and X is any matrix, then

$$\|A \circ X\| \leq \max a_{ii} \|X\|$$

for all unitarily invariant norms $\|\cdot\|$ [1]. Thus the proof of the following corollary follows from Corollary 2.9 using the fact that $g(1/2) \leq g(t) \leq g(1) = g(0)$.

Corollary 2.10. *Let $0 \leq t \leq 1$. Then,*

$$2\|A^{1/2} \circ B^{1/2}\| \leq \|A^t \circ B^{1-t} + A^{1-t} \circ B^t\| \leq \|A + B\|$$

for all unitarily invariant norms $\|\cdot\|$ and all $A, B > 0$.

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