

Generalizations of unitarily invariant norm inequalities for matrices

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Abstract. In this article, we begin by deriving a unitarily invariant norm inequality for matrices, which is a generalization of the result due to Cao and Wu. Additionally, we introduce a matrix Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for unitarily invariant norms, further generalizing the inequality proposed by Hu.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, let M_n denote the space of $n \times n$ complex matrices. A matrix norm $\|\cdot\|$ is called unitarily invariant norm if $\|UAV\| = \|A\|$ for all $A \in M_n$ and for all unitary matrices $U, V \in M_n$. Among well-known unitarily invariant norm is the Schatten p -norm, denoted by $\|\cdot\|_p$ and defined as $\|A\|_p = \left(\sum_{j=1}^n s_j^p(A)\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = (\text{tr}|A|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}, 1 \leq p < \infty$, where $s_j(A) (j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ are the singular values of A with $s_1 \geq s_2 \geq \dots \geq s_{n-1} \geq s_n \geq 0$, that is, the eigenvalues of the positive semidefinite matrix $|A| = (A^*A)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, arranged in decreasing order. The Schatten p -norm for the values $p = 1, p = 2$ and $p = \infty$ represent the

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trace norm, the Hilbert-Schmidt norm or Frobenius norm (sometimes written as $\|A\|_F$ for that reason) and the spectral norm, respectively. Another unitarily invariant norm is the Ky Fan k -norm, denoted by $\|\cdot\|_{(k)}$ and defined as $\|A\|_{(k)} = \sum_{j=1}^k s_j(A)$, $k = 1, \dots, n$.

Kaur and Singh [1] proved that for $A, B, X \in M_n$, if A and B are positive definite, then for any unitarily invariant norm

$$(1.1) \quad \frac{1}{2} \|A^\nu X B^{1-\nu} + A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu\| \leq \left\| (1-\alpha) A^{\frac{1}{2}} X B^{\frac{1}{2}} + \alpha \left(\frac{AX + XB}{2} \right) \right\|,$$

where $\frac{1}{4} \leq \nu \leq \frac{3}{4}$ and $\alpha \in [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$.

Substituting A, B with A^2, B^2 and taking $u = 2\nu$ in inequality (1.1), we have

$$(1.2) \quad \frac{1}{2} \|A^u X B^{2-u} + A^{2-u} X B^u\| \leq \left\| (1-\alpha) AXB + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\|,$$

where $\frac{1}{2} \leq u \leq \frac{3}{2}$ and $\alpha \in [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$.

Let $A, B, X \in M_n$ such that A and B are positive semidefinite. Then, for every unitarily invariant norm, the function

$$\varphi(u) = \|A^u X B^{2-u} + A^{2-u} X B^u\|$$

is convex on $[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}]$ and attains its minimum at $u = 1$. Consequently, it is decreasing on $[\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ and increasing on $[1, \frac{3}{2}]$ (See [2]). Using the convexity of the function $\varphi(u)$, Cao and Wu [3] obtained an improved version of inequality (1.2) as follows

$$(1.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|A^u X B^{2-u} + A^{2-u} X B^u\| \\ & \leq 2(4r_0 - 1) \|AXB\| + 2(1 - 2r_0) \|A^{\frac{1}{2}} X B^{\frac{3}{2}} + A^{\frac{3}{2}} X B^{\frac{1}{2}}\| \\ & \leq 2(4r_0 - 1) \|AXB\| \\ & \quad + 4(1 - 2r_0) \left\| (1-\alpha) AXB + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\|, \end{aligned}$$

where $\frac{1}{2} \leq u \leq \frac{3}{2}$, $\alpha \in [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$ and $r_0 = \min\{\frac{u}{2}, 1 - \frac{u}{2}\}$.

Let $A, B \in M_n$ and $r > 0$. Horn and Mathias proved in [4, 5] that

$$(1.4) \quad \| |A^* B|^r \|^2 \leq \| (AA^*)^r \| \cdot \| (BB^*)^r \|,$$

which is a matrix Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for unitarily invariant norms.

Bhatia and Davis [6] (See also [2, p.267, Theorem IX.5.2]) got a stronger version of inequality (1.4) as follows

$$(1.5) \quad \| |A^* X B|^r \|^2 \leq \| |AA^* X|^r \| \cdot \| |X B B^*|^r \|,$$

for $A, B, X \in M_n$ and $r > 0$, (1.5) is equivalent to

$$(1.6) \quad |||A^{\frac{1}{2}}XB^{\frac{1}{2}}|^r||^2 \leq |||AX|^r|| \cdot |||XB|^r||,$$

for positive semidefinite matrices A, B and arbitrary $X \in M_n$.

For $A, B, X \in M_n$ and A, B are positive semidefinite. Then, for every unitarily invariant norm and $r > 0$, the function

$$\psi(\nu) = |||A^\nu XB^{1-\nu}|^r|| \cdot |||A^{1-\nu}XB^\nu|^r||$$

is convex on $[0, 1]$ and attains its minimum at $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$. Consequently, it is decreasing on $[0, \frac{1}{2}]$ and increasing on $[\frac{1}{2}, 1]$ (See [7]). Using the convexity of the function $\psi(\nu)$, Hiai and Zhan [7] gave a refinement of the inequality (1.6) as follows

$$(1.7) \quad |||A^{\frac{1}{2}}XB^{\frac{1}{2}}|^r||^2 \leq |||A^\nu XB^{1-\nu}|^r|| \cdot |||A^{1-\nu}XB^\nu|^r|| \leq |||AX|^r|| \cdot |||XB|^r||.$$

Hu [8] utilized the convexity of the function $\psi(\nu)$ to obtain an improvement of the second inequality in (1.7)

$$(1.8) \quad \begin{aligned} & |||A^\nu XB^{1-\nu}|^r|| \cdot |||A^{1-\nu}XB^\nu|^r|| \\ & \leq 2t_0 |||A^{\frac{1}{2}}XB^{\frac{1}{2}}|^r||^2 + (1 - 2t_0) |||AX|^r|| \cdot |||XB|^r||, \end{aligned}$$

where $0 \leq \nu \leq 1$, $t_0 = \min\{\nu, 1 - \nu\}$.

The unitarily invariant norm inequalities are widely applied in fields such as quantum mechanics, signal processing, data analysis and optimization theory. For example, in quantum entanglement measures, the unitarily invariant norm inequalities are employed to ensure the consistency of entanglement properties across different reference frames. Therefore, studying the unitarily invariant norm inequalities is of significant theoretical and practical importance. Many authors discussed different proofs, equivalent statements, generalizations, refinements and applications of inequalities for unitarily invariant norms. For more information on this topic, the reader is referred to [9-12] and the references therein.

This note, building on the preceding discussions, focuses on generalizing unitarily invariant norms inequalities. The structure of the note is as follows. In Section 2, we generalize inequalities (1.3) and (1.8) by using the convexity of functions. Finally, Section 3 provides concluding remarks.

2. Main results

We begin this section with the following lemma, which is useful in the proof of our results.

58 **Lemma 2.1**([13]). *Let f be a real valued convex function on an interval $[a, b]$*
 59 *which contains (x_1, x_2) . Then for $x_1 \leq x \leq x_2$, we have*

$$f(x) \leq \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1}x - \frac{x_1 f(x_2) - x_2 f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1}.$$

60 **Theorem 2.1.** *Let $A, X, B \in M_n$ such that A and B are positive semidefinite.*
 61 *Then, for any unitarily invariant norm*

$$\begin{aligned} \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\| &\leq \frac{4(\mu_0 - \nu_0)}{2\mu_0 - 1} \left\| (1 - \alpha) A X B + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\| \\ &\quad + \frac{2\nu_0 - 1}{2\mu_0 - 1} \|A^\mu X B^{2-\mu} + A^{2-\mu} X B^\mu\|, \end{aligned}$$

62 *where $\frac{1}{2} \leq \nu \leq \frac{3}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2} < \mu < \frac{3}{2}$, $\alpha \in [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$, $\nu_0 = \min\{\nu, 2 - \nu\}$ and $\mu_0 =$*
 63 *$\min\{\mu, 2 - \mu\}$.*

64 **Proof.** For $\frac{1}{2} \leq \nu \leq \mu \leq 1$, by the convexity of function $\varphi(\nu) = \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} +$
 65 $A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\|$ and Lemma 2.1, we get

$$\varphi(\nu) \leq \frac{\varphi(\mu) - \varphi(\frac{1}{2})}{\mu - \frac{1}{2}} \nu - \frac{\frac{1}{2}\varphi(\mu) - \mu\varphi(\frac{1}{2})}{\mu - \frac{1}{2}},$$

66 which is equivalent to

$$(2.1) \quad \varphi(\nu) \leq \frac{2\nu - 1}{2\mu - 1} \varphi(\mu) + \frac{2(\mu - \nu)}{2\mu - 1} \varphi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right),$$

67 combining (1.2) with (2.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\| &\leq \frac{4(\mu - \nu)}{2\mu - 1} \left\| (1 - \alpha) A X B + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\| \\ &\quad + \frac{2\nu - 1}{2\mu - 1} \|A^\mu X B^{2-\mu} + A^{2-\mu} X B^\mu\| \end{aligned}$$

68 which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} (2.2) \quad &\|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\| \\ &\leq \frac{4(\mu_0 - \nu_0)}{2\mu_0 - 1} \left\| (1 - \alpha) A X B + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\| \\ &\quad + \frac{2\nu_0 - 1}{2\mu_0 - 1} \|A^\mu X B^{2-\mu} + A^{2-\mu} X B^\mu\|. \end{aligned}$$

69 For $1 < \mu \leq \nu \leq \frac{3}{2}$, by Lemma 2.1, it follows that

$$\varphi(\nu) \leq \frac{\varphi(\frac{3}{2}) - \varphi(\mu)}{\frac{3}{2} - \mu} \nu - \frac{\mu\varphi(\frac{3}{2}) - \frac{3}{2}\varphi(\mu)}{\frac{3}{2} - \mu},$$

70 which implies

$$(2.3) \quad \varphi(\nu) \leq \frac{2\nu - 2\mu}{3 - 2\mu} \varphi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{3 - 2\nu}{3 - 2\mu} \varphi(\mu),$$

71 combining (1.2) with (2.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\| &\leq \frac{4(\nu - \mu)}{3 - 2\mu} \left\| (1 - \alpha) A X B + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\| \\ &\quad + \frac{3 - 2\nu}{3 - 2\mu} \|A^\mu X B^{2-\mu} + A^{2-\mu} X B^\mu\|, \end{aligned}$$

72 which is equivalent to

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} &\|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\| \\ &\leq \frac{4(\mu_0 - \nu_0)}{2\mu_0 - 1} \left\| (1 - \alpha) A X B + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\| \\ &\quad + \frac{2\nu_0 - 1}{2\mu_0 - 1} \|A^\mu X B^{2-\mu} + A^{2-\mu} X B^\mu\|. \end{aligned}$$

73 It follows from (2.2), (2.4) and $\frac{1}{2} \leq \nu \leq \frac{3}{2}$, $\frac{1}{2} < \mu < \frac{3}{2}$, $\alpha \in [\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$, $\nu_0 =$
74 $\min\{\nu, 2 - \nu\}$, $\mu_0 = \min\{\mu, 2 - \mu\}$ that

$$\begin{aligned} \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\| &\leq \frac{4(\mu_0 - \nu_0)}{2\mu_0 - 1} \left\| (1 - \alpha) A X B + \alpha \left(\frac{A^2 X + X B^2}{2} \right) \right\| \\ &\quad + \frac{2\nu_0 - 1}{2\mu_0 - 1} \|A^\mu X B^{2-\mu} + A^{2-\mu} X B^\mu\|. \end{aligned}$$

75 This completes the proof. $\square$

76 **Remark 2.1.** Let $\mu = 1$ in Theorem 2.1, we obtain the inequality (1.3).

77 **Remark 2.2.** When $\frac{1}{2} \leq \nu \leq \mu \leq 1$ or $1 < \mu \leq \nu \leq \frac{3}{2}$, the inequality in
78 Theorem 2.1 is better than inequality (1.3).

79 By the convexity of function $\varphi(\nu) = \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\|$ and Lemma 2.1,
80 we know that inequality (1.3) is equivalent to

$$\varphi(\nu) \leq 2(1 - \nu) \varphi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + (2\nu - 1) \varphi(1), \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq \nu \leq 1$$

81 and

$$\varphi(\nu) \leq (3 - 2\nu) \varphi(1) + 2(\nu - 1) \varphi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right), \quad 1 < \nu \leq \frac{3}{2}.$$

82 For $\frac{1}{2} \leq \nu \leq \mu \leq 1$, since $\varphi(\nu) = \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\|$ is convex on $[\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, it
83 follows by a slope argument that

$$\frac{\varphi(\mu) - \varphi(\frac{1}{2})}{\mu - \frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{\varphi(1) - \varphi(\frac{1}{2})}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}.$$

84 By a small calculation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2(1-\nu)\varphi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + (2\nu-1)\varphi(1) - \left[\frac{2(\nu-\mu)}{2\mu-1}\varphi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + \frac{2\nu-1}{2\mu-1}\varphi(\mu) \right] \\ = \frac{2\nu-1}{2} \left[\frac{\varphi(1) - \varphi(\frac{1}{2})}{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{\varphi(\mu) - \varphi(\frac{1}{2})}{\mu - \frac{1}{2}} \right] \\ \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

85 For $1 < \mu \leq \nu \leq \frac{3}{2}$, since $\varphi(\nu) = \|A^\nu X B^{2-\nu} + A^{2-\nu} X B^\nu\|$ is convex on $[1, \frac{3}{2}]$
86 and $\varphi(\nu)$ is increasing on $[1, \frac{3}{2}]$, we have

$$0 \leq \frac{\varphi(\frac{3}{2}) - \varphi(1)}{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{\varphi(\mu) - \varphi(\frac{3}{2})}{\mu - \frac{3}{2}}.$$

87 By a small calculation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3-2\nu)\varphi(1) + 2(\nu-1)\varphi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - \left[\left(\frac{2\nu-2\mu}{3-2\mu} \right) \varphi\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \frac{3-2\nu}{3-2\mu}\varphi(\mu) \right] \\ = (\nu-1) \frac{\varphi(\frac{3}{2}) - \varphi(1)}{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{3-2\nu}{2} \frac{\varphi(\mu) - \varphi(\frac{3}{2})}{\mu - \frac{3}{2}} \\ \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

88 Obviously, Theorem 2.1 is a generalization of inequality (1.3).

89 In the following, we utilize the convexity of the function $\psi(\nu) = \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \|$.
90 $\| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \|$ to obtain a matrix Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for unitarily in-
91 variant norms that leads to a generalization of inequality (1.8).

92 **Theorem 2.2.** *Let $A, X, B \in M_n$ such that A and B are positive semidefinite.*
93 *Then, for every unitarily invariant norm*

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \| \\ & \leq (1-r_0) \| |AX|^r \| \cdot \| |XB|^r \| + r_0 \| |A^\mu X B^{1-\mu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\mu} X B^\mu|^r \|, \end{aligned}$$

94 where $r > 0$, $0 \leq \nu \leq 1$, $0 < \mu < 1$ and $r_0 = \begin{cases} \frac{\nu}{\mu}, & 0 \leq \nu \leq \mu, \\ \frac{1-\nu}{1-\mu}, & \mu < \nu \leq 1. \end{cases}$

95 **Proof.** Inequality (2.5) is obvious for $\nu = 0, \mu, 1$. For $0 < \nu < \mu$, since
96 $\psi(\nu) = \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \|$ is convex on $[0, 1]$, it follows by a slope
97 argument that

$$\frac{\psi(\nu) - \psi(0)}{\nu - 0} \leq \frac{\psi(\mu) - \psi(0)}{\mu - 0},$$

98 then

$$\psi(\nu) \leq \left(1 - \frac{\nu}{\mu}\right) \psi(0) + \frac{\nu}{\mu} \psi(\mu).$$

99 Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \| \\ & \leq \left(1 - \frac{\nu}{\mu}\right) \| |AX|^r \| \cdot \| |XB|^r \| + \frac{\nu}{\mu} \| |A^\mu X B^{1-\mu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\mu} X B^\mu|^r \|, \end{aligned}$$

100 which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \| \\ (2.6) \quad & \leq (1 - r_0) \| |AX|^r \| \cdot \| |XB|^r \| + r_0 \| |A^\mu X B^{1-\mu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\mu} X B^\mu|^r \|. \end{aligned}$$

101 For $\mu < \nu < 1$, since $\psi(\nu)$ is convex on $[0, 1]$, it follows by a slope argument that

$$\frac{\psi(\nu) - \psi(\mu)}{\nu - \mu} \leq \frac{\psi(1) - \psi(\mu)}{1 - \mu},$$

102 then

$$\psi(\nu) \leq \left(1 - \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu}\right) \psi(1) + \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu} \psi(\mu).$$

103 Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \| \\ & \leq \left(1 - \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu}\right) \| |AX|^r \| \cdot \| |XB|^r \| + \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu} \| |A^\mu X B^{1-\mu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\mu} X B^\mu|^r \|, \end{aligned}$$

104 which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} & \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \| \\ (2.7) \quad & \leq (1 - r_0) \| |AX|^r \| \cdot \| |XB|^r \| + r_0 \| |A^\mu X B^{1-\mu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\mu} X B^\mu|^r \|. \end{aligned}$$

105 It follows from (2.6), (2.7) and $r > 0$, $0 \leq \nu \leq 1$, $0 < \mu < 1$,

$$r_0 = \begin{cases} \frac{\nu}{\mu}, & 0 \leq \nu \leq \mu, \\ \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu}, & \mu < \nu \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

106 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \| \\ & \leq (1 - r_0) \| |AX|^r \| \cdot \| |XB|^r \| + r_0 \| |A^\mu X B^{1-\mu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\mu} X B^\mu|^r \|. \end{aligned}$$

107 The proof is completed. □

108 **Remark 2.3.** Let $\mu = \frac{1}{2}$ in Theorem 2.2, we obtain the inequality (1.8).

109 **Remark 2.4.** When $0 \leq \nu \leq \mu \leq \frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{1}{2} < \mu \leq \nu \leq 1$, the inequality in
110 Theorem 2.2 is better than inequality (1.8).

111 By the convexity of function $\psi(\nu) = \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \|$ and
112 Lemma 2.1, we know that inequality (1.8) is equivalent to

$$(2.8) \quad \psi(\nu) \leq (1 - 2\nu)\psi(0) + 2\nu\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right), \quad 0 \leq \nu \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

113 and

$$(2.9) \quad \psi(\nu) \leq (2\nu - 1)\psi(1) + 2(1 - \nu)\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right), \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq \nu \leq 1.$$

114 For $0 \leq \nu \leq \mu \leq \frac{1}{2}$, compared with inequality (2.8)

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - 2\nu)\psi(0) + 2\nu\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \left[\left(1 - \frac{\nu}{\mu}\right)\psi(0) + \frac{\nu}{\mu}\psi(\mu) \right] \\ &= \nu \left(2\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(0) - \frac{\nu}{\mu}(\psi(\mu) - \psi(0)) \right). \end{aligned}$$

115 Since $\psi(\nu) = \| |A^\nu X B^{1-\nu}|^r \| \cdot \| |A^{1-\nu} X B^\nu|^r \|$ is convex on $[0, 1]$, it follows by a
116 slope argument that

$$\frac{\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(0)}{\frac{1}{2} - 0} \geq \frac{\psi(\mu) - \psi(0)}{\mu - 0},$$

117 that is

$$2\left(\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \psi(0)\right) - \frac{1}{\mu}(\psi(\mu) - \psi(0)) \geq 0,$$

118 thus, we have

$$(1 - 2\nu)\psi(0) + 2\nu\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \geq \left(1 - \frac{\nu}{\mu}\right)\psi(0) + \frac{\nu}{\mu}\psi(\mu).$$

119 For $\frac{1}{2} < \mu \leq \nu \leq 1$, compared with inequality (2.9)

$$\begin{aligned} & (2\nu - 1)\psi(1) + 2(1 - \nu)\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \left[\left(1 - \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu}\right)\psi(1) + \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu}\psi(\mu) \right] \\ &= (1 - \nu) \left(\frac{\psi(1) - \psi(\mu)}{1 - \mu} - \frac{\psi(1) - \psi(\frac{1}{2})}{\frac{1}{2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

120 Since $\psi(\nu)$ is convex on $[0, 1]$, it follows by a slope argument that

$$\frac{\psi(1) - \psi(\mu)}{1 - \mu} \geq \frac{\psi(1) - \psi(\frac{1}{2})}{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

121 Thus, we have

$$(2\nu - 1)\psi(1) + 2(1 - \nu)\psi\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \geq \left(1 - \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu}\right)\psi(1) + \frac{1 - \nu}{1 - \mu}\psi(\mu).$$

122 Obviously, Theorem 2.2 is a generalization of inequality (1.8).

3. Conclusion

In recent years, there has been a growing interest in exploring unitarily invariant norms inequalities. By utilizing the convexity of the functions $\varphi(\nu)$ and $\psi(\nu)$, we introduce two new matrix inequalities for unitarily invariant norms, which generalize several previously known results. The inequalities derived in this work lead to refinements of unitarily invariant norms inequalities under specific conditions. Future research will further explore these topics.

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