



# Some new singular value inequalities for compact operators

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## Abstract

In this paper, by applying the concept of operator  $h$ -convex functions we prove several singular value inequalities for operators which provide refinements of previous results.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $B(H)$  stand for the  $C^*$ -algebra of all bounded linear operators on a complex separable Hilbert space  $H$  with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . An operator  $A \in B(H)$  is positive and write  $A \geq 0$  if  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $x \in H$ . Let  $B(H)^+$  stand for all positive operators in  $B(H)$ .

If  $A$  is a self-adjoint operator and  $f$  is a real valued continuous function on  $\text{Sp}(A)$ , then  $f(t) \geq 0$  for any  $t \in \text{Sp}(A)$  implies that  $f(A) \geq 0$ .

The following inequality holds for any convex function  $f$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}$

$$(b-a)f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \leq \int_a^b f(x)dx \leq (b-a)\frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (1)$$

A real valued continuous function  $f$  on an interval  $I$  is said to be *operator convex* if

$$f((1-\lambda)A + \lambda B) \leq (1-\lambda)f(A) + \lambda f(B), \quad (2)$$

in the operator order, for all  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and for every self-adjoint operator  $A$  and  $B$  on a Hilbert space  $H$  whose spectra are contained in  $I$  (see [3]).

As an example of such functions, we note that  $f(t) = t^r$  is operator convex on  $(0, \infty)$  if either  $1 \leq r \leq 2$  or  $-1 \leq r \leq 0$  and is operator concave on  $(0, \infty)$  if  $0 \leq r \leq 1$  (see [1, p.147]).

In [3], Dragomir investigated the operator version of the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for operator convex functions asserts that if  $f : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an operator convex function on the interval  $I$  then, for any self-adjoint operators  $A$  and  $B$  with spectra in  $I$  the following inequalities hold

$$f\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \leq \int_0^1 f((1-t)A + tB) dt \leq \frac{f(A) + f(B)}{2}. \quad (3)$$

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