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# Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for operator s-preinvex functions

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# Abstract

In this paper, we introduce the concept of operator s-preinvex function, establish some new Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for operator s-preinvex functions, and provide the estimates of both sides of Hermite-Hadamard type inequality in which some operator s-preinvex functions of positive selfadjoint operators in Hilbert spaces are involved. ©2015 All rights reserved.

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# 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, let  $\mathbb{R} = (-\infty, \infty)$  and  $\mathbb{R}_0 = [0, \infty)$ . The following inequality holds for any convex function f defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  with a < b

$$f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \le \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) \mathrm{d}x \le \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{2}.$$
(1.1)

Both inequalities hold in the reversed direction if f is concave on [a, b]. The inequality (1.1) is well known in the literature as Hermite-Hadamard's inequality. We note that the Hermite-Hadamard's inequality may be regarded as a refinement of the concept of convexity and it follows easily from Jensen's inequality. The classical Hermite-Hadamard's inequality provides estimates of the mean value of a continuous convex function  $f : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ .

In [10], Hudzik and Maligranda considered s-convex function in the second sense. This class is defined in the following way.

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**Definition 1.1** ([10]). For some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , a function  $f : \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be s-convex in the second sense if

$$f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \le \lambda^s f(x) + (1 - \lambda)^s f(y)$$
(1.2)

holds for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}_0$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . If the inequality (1.2) reverses, then f is said to be s-concave in the second sense on  $\mathbb{R}_0$ .

In [3], Dragomir and Fitzpatrick proved the following variant of Hadamard's inequality which holds for s-convex functions in the second sense.

**Theorem 1.2** ([3]). Suppose that  $f : \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}_0$  is an s-convex function in the second sense, where  $s \in (0, 1]$ and let  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_0$  with a < b. If  $f \in L([a, b])$ , then the following inequality holds

$$2^{s-1}f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \le \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \mathrm{d}x \le \frac{f(a)+f(b)}{s+1}.$$
(1.3)

The constant  $k = \frac{1}{s+1}$  is the best possible in the second inequality in (1.3).

In [2], the authors obtained the estimate of the left-hand side of Hermite-Hadamard's inequality for s-convex functions.

**Theorem 1.3** ([2]). Let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  be a differentiable mapping on  $I^\circ$ , such that  $f' \in L([a, b])$ , where  $a, b \in I$  with a < b. If |f'| is s-convex on [a, b] for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , then the following inequality holds

$$\left| f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \mathrm{d}x \right| \le \frac{b-a}{2(s+1)} \left[ \frac{|f'(a)| + 2(s+1) \left| f'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \right| + |f'(b)|}{2(s+2)} \right].$$
(1.4)

In [12], Kirmaci et al. gave the estimate of the rift-hand side of Hermite-Hadamard's inequality for s-convex functions.

**Theorem 1.4** ([12]). Let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  be differentiable on  $I^\circ$  and  $a, b \in I$  with a < b. If  $f' \in L([a, b])$  and |f'| is s-convex on [a, b] for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , then

$$\left|\frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \mathrm{d}x\right| \le \frac{(b-a)(2^{s+1}+1)}{2^{s}(s+1)(s+2)} \left[\frac{|f'(a)| + |f'(b)|}{2}\right].$$
(1.5)

Hermite-Hadamard's inequality has several applications in nonlinear analysis and the geometry of Banach spaces, see [11]. In recent years, several extensions and generalizations have been considered for classical convexity. A significant generalization of convex functions is that of invex functions introduced by Hanson in [9].

Let X be a vector space,  $x, y \in X, x \neq y$ . Define the segment

$$[x, y] := (1 - t)x + ty, \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

We consider the function  $f: [x, y] \to \mathbb{R}$  and the associated function

$$g(x,y):[0,1] \to \mathbb{R}, g(x,y)(t) := f((1-t)x + ty), \quad t \in [0,1].$$

Note that f is convex on [x, y] if and only if g(x, y) is convex on [0, 1]. For any convex function defined on a segment  $[x, y] \in X$ , we have the Hermite-Hadamard integral inequality (see [4], p.2 and [5], p.2)

$$f\left(\frac{x+y}{2}\right) \le \int_0^1 f((1-t)x + ty) dt \le \frac{f(x) + f(y)}{2},$$
(1.6)

which can be derived from the classical Hermite-Hadamard inequality (1.1) for the convex function  $g(x, y) : [0; 1] \to \mathbb{R}$ .

Now we review the operator order in B(H) which is the set of all bounded linear operators on a Hilbert space  $(H; \langle ., . \rangle)$ , and the continuous functional calculus for a bounded self-adjoint operator. For self-adjoint operators  $A, B \in B(H)$ , we write  $A \leq B$  if  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \leq \langle Bx, x \rangle$  for every vector  $x \in H$ , we call it the operator order.

Let A be a bounded self-adjoint linear operator on a complex Hilbert space  $(H; \langle ., . \rangle)$ . The Gelfand map establishes a \*-isometrically isomorphism  $\Phi$  between the set C(Sp(A)) of all continuous complex-valued functions defined on the spectrum of A, denoted Sp(A), the C\*-algebra C\*(A) generated by A and the identity operator  $1_H$  on H as follows (see for instance [6], p.3). For any  $f, g \in C(Sp(A))$  and any  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ , we have

(i) 
$$\Phi(\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \Phi(f) + \beta \Phi(g);$$

- (ii)  $\Phi(fg) = \Phi(f)\Phi(g)$  and  $\Phi(f^*) = \Phi(f)^*$ ;
- (iii)  $\|\Phi(f)\| = \|f\| := \sup_{t \in Sp(A)} |f(t)|;$

(iv) 
$$\Phi(f_0) = 1_H$$
 and  $\Phi(f_1) = A$ , where  $f_0(t) = 1$  and  $f_1(t) = t$  for  $t \in Sp(A)$ 

With this notation, we define

$$f(A) := \Phi(f) \quad \text{for all} \quad f \in C(Sp(A)) \tag{1.7}$$

and we call it the continuous functional calculus for a bounded self-adjoint operator A.

If A is a bounded self-adjoint operator and f is a real-valued continuous function on Sp(A), then  $f(t) \ge 0$ for any  $t \in Sp(A)$  implies that  $f(A) \ge 0$ , i.e. f(A) is a positive operator on H. Moreover, if both f and g are real-valued functions on Sp(A) such that  $f(t) \le g(t)$  for any  $t \in Sp(A)$ , then  $f(A) \le g(A)$  in the operator order in B(H).

A real valued continuous function f on an interval  $I \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  is said to be operator convex (operator concave) if

$$f((1-\lambda)A + \lambda B) \le (\ge)(1-\lambda)f(A) + \lambda f(B)$$

in the operator order in B(H), for all  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and for every bounded self-adjoint operators A and B in B(H) whose spectra are contained in I.

For some fundamental results on operator convex (operator concave) and operator monotone functions, see [6] and the references therein.

In [7], Ghazanfari et al. gave the concept of operator preinvex function and obtained Hermite-Hadamard type inequality for operator preinvex function.

**Definition 1.5** ([7]). Let X be a real vector space, a set  $S \subseteq X$  is said to be invex with respect to the map  $\eta: S \times S \to X$ , if for every  $x, y \in S$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$x + t\eta(x, y) \in S. \tag{1.8}$$

It is obvious that every convex set is invex with respect to the map  $\eta(x, y) = x - y$ , but there exist invex sets which are not convex (see [1]).

Let  $S \subseteq X$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to X$ . For every  $x, y \in S$ , the  $\eta$ -path  $P_{xv}$  joining the points x and  $v := x + \eta(y, x)$  is defined as follows

$$P_{xv} := \{ z : z = x + t\eta(y, x), t \in [0, 1] \}$$

The mapping  $\eta$  is said to satisfy the condition (C) if for every  $x, y \in S$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$\eta(y, y + t\eta(x, y)) = -t\eta(x, y), \quad \eta(x, y + t\eta(x, y)) = (1 - t)\eta(x, y). \tag{C}$$

Note that for every  $x, y \in S$  and every  $t_1, t_2 \in [0, 1]$  from condition (C) we have

$$\eta(y + t_2\eta(x, y), y + t_1\eta(x, y)) = (t_2 - t_1)\eta(x, y), \tag{1.9}$$

see [13], [16] for details.

Let A be a  $C^*$ -algebra, denote by  $A_{sa}$  the set of all self-adjoint elements in A.

**Definition 1.6** ([7]). Let  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}$ . Then, the continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be operator preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on S, if for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$f(A + t\eta(B, A)) \le (1 - t)f(A) + tf(B)$$
(1.10)

in the operator order in B(H).

Every operator convex function is operator preinvex with respect to the map  $\eta(A, B) = A - B$ , but the converse does not hold (see [7]).

**Theorem 1.7** ([7]). Let  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}$  and  $\eta$  satisfies condition (C). If for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $V = A + \eta(B, A)$  the function  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  is operator preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  with spectra of A and spectra of V in the interval I. Then we have the inequality

$$f\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right) \le \int_0^1 f((A+t\eta(B,A))dt \le \frac{f(A)+f(B)}{2}.$$
 (1.11)

In [8], Ghazanfari defined the operator s-convex function and proved Hermite-Hadamard type inequality for operator s-convex function as follows.

We denote by  $B(H)^+$  the set of all positive operators in B(H) and

$$C(H) := \{ A \in B(H)^+ : AB + BA \ge 0 \text{ for all } B \in B(H)^+ \}.$$
(1.12)

It is obvious that C(H) is a closed convex cone in B(H).

**Definition 1.8** ([8]). Let *I* be an interval in  $\mathbb{R}_0$  and *S* be a convex subset of  $B(H)^+$ . A continuous function  $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be operator *s*-convex on *I* for operators in *S* if

$$f(\lambda A + (1 - \lambda)B) \le \lambda^s f(A) + (1 - \lambda)^s f(B)$$
(1.13)

in the operator order in B(H), for all  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and for every positive operators A and B in S whose spectra are contained in I and for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ .

**Theorem 1.9** ([8]). Let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  be an operator s-convex function on the interval I for operators in  $S \subseteq B(H)^+$  and for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ . Then for all positive operators A and B in S with spectra in I we have the inequality

$$2^{s-1}f\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right) \le \int_0^1 f((1-t)A+tB)dt \le \frac{f(A)+f(B)}{s+1}.$$
(1.14)

Motivated by the above results we investigate in this paper the operator version of the Hermite-Hadamard inequality for operator s-preinvex functions.

### 2. Main results

In order to verify our main results, the following preliminary definition and lemmas are necessary.

**Definition 2.1.** Let I be an interval in  $\mathbb{R}_0$  and  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}^+$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$ . Then, the continuous function  $f : I \to \mathbb{R}$  is said to be operator *s*-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on I for operators in S, if

$$f(A + t\eta(B, A)) \le (1 - t)^s f(A) + t^s f(B)$$
(2.1)

in the operator order in B(H), for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and every positive operators A and B in S whose spectra are contained in I and for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ .

It is obvious that every operator 1-preinvex function is operator preinvex, and every operator s-convex function is operator s-preinvex with respect to the map  $\eta(A, B) = A - B$ .

**Lemma 2.2** ([14]). Let  $A, B \in B(H)^+$ . Then AB + BA is positive if and only if  $f(A + B) \leq f(A) + f(B)$  for all non-negative operator monotone functions f on  $\mathbb{R}_0$ .

Now, we give an example of operator s-preinvex function.

**Example 2.3.** Suppose that  $1_H$  is the identity operator on a Hilbert space H, and

$$S := (1_H, 5 \cdot 1_H) = \{ A \in B(H)_{sa}^+ : 1_H < A < 5 \cdot 1_H \}.$$

The map  $\eta: S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$  is defined by  $\eta(A, B) = A - B$  for all  $A > B \ge 0$  in the operator order in B(H). Clearly  $\eta$  satisfies condition (C) and S is an invex set with respect to  $\eta$ . From Lemma 2.2 and (1.12), the continuous function  $f(t) = t^s (0 < s \le 1)$  is operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on S for operators in C(H).

The following lemma is a generalization of Proposition 1 in [7].

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}^+$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$  and  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function on the interval I. Suppose that  $\eta$  satisfies condition (C) on S. Then for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $V = A + \eta(B, A)$  and for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , the function f is operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  with spectra of A and with spectra of V in the interval I if and only if the function  $\varphi_{x,A,B} : [0, 1] \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$\varphi_{x,A,B}(t) := \langle f(A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle \tag{2.2}$$

is s-convex on [0,1] for every  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1.

Proof. Suppose that  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1 and  $\varphi_{x,A,B} : [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$  is s-convex on [0,1] for some fixed  $s \in (0,1]$ . For every  $C_1 := A + t_1 \eta(B, A) \in P_{AV}, C_2 := A + t_2 \eta(B, A) \in P_{AV}$ , fix  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ , by (2.2) we have

$$\langle f(C_1 + \lambda \eta(C_2, C_1))x, x \rangle = \langle f(A + ((1 - \lambda)t_1 + \lambda t_2)\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle$$
  

$$= \varphi_{x,A,B}((1 - \lambda)t_1 + \lambda t_2)$$
  

$$\leq (1 - \lambda)^s \varphi_{x,A,B}(t_1) + \lambda^s \varphi_{x,A,B}(t_2)$$
  

$$= (1 - \lambda)^s \langle f(C_1)x, x \rangle + \lambda^s \langle f(C_2)x, x \rangle.$$
(2.3)

Hence, f is operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$ .

Conversely, let  $A, B \in S$  and f be operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ . Suppose that  $t_1, t_2 \in [0, 1]$ . Then for every  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1, we have

$$\varphi_{x,A,B}((1-\lambda)t_1+\lambda t_2) = \langle f(A+t_1\eta(B,A)+\lambda\eta(A+t_2\eta(B,A),A+t_1\eta(B,A)))x,x \rangle$$
  

$$\leq (1-\lambda)^s \langle f(A+t_1\eta(B,A))x,x \rangle + \lambda^s \langle f(A+t_2\eta(B,A))x,x \rangle$$
  

$$= (1-\lambda)^s \varphi_{x,A,B}(t_1) + \lambda^s \varphi_{x,A,B}(t_2).$$
(2.4)

Therefore,  $\varphi_{x,A,B}$  is s-convex on [0, 1]. The proof of Lemma 2.4 is complete.

The following theorem is the generalization of Hermite-Hadamard's inequality for operator s-preinvex functions.

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}^+$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$  and  $\eta$  satisfy condition (C) on S. If for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $V = A + \eta(B, A)$  and for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , the continuous function  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  is operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  with spectra of A and with spectra of V in the interval I. Then we have the inequality

$$2^{s-1}f\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right) \le \int_0^1 f(A+t\eta(B,A))dt \le \frac{f(A)+f(B)}{s+1}.$$
(2.5)

*Proof.* For  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1 and  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$\langle (A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle = \langle Ax, x \rangle + t \langle \eta(B, A)x, x \rangle \in I,$$
(2.6)

since  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \in Sp(A) \subseteq I$  and  $\langle Vx, x \rangle \in Sp(V) \subseteq I$ .

Continuity of f and (2.6) imply that the operator valued integral  $\int_0^1 f(A + t\eta(B, A)) dt$  exists. Since  $\eta$  satisfies condition (C) and f is s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$ , for every  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have

fince  $\eta$  satisfies condition (C) and f is s-premivex with respect to  $\eta$ , for every  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$f\left(A + \frac{1}{2}\eta(B,A)\right) \le \frac{1}{2^s}f(A + t\eta(B,A)) + \frac{1}{2^s}f(A + (1-t)\eta(B,A))$$
$$\le \frac{1}{2^s}[(1-t)^s + t^s][f(A) + f(B)].$$
(2.7)

Integrating the inequality (2.7) over  $t \in [0, 1]$  and taking into account that

$$\int_0^1 f(A + t\eta(B, A)) dt = \int_0^1 f(A + (1 - t)\eta(B, A)) dt,$$
(2.8)

we obtain the inequality (2.5), which completes the proof of Theorem 2.5.

Remark 2.6. Choosing s = 1 and  $\eta(B, A) = B - A$  respectively, we obtain Theorem 1.7 and Theorem 1.9.

Now we establish the estimates of both sides of Hermite-Hadamard type inequality in which some operator *s*-preinvex functions of selfadjoint operators in Hilbert spaces are involved.

**Theorem 2.7.** Let the function  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}_0$  be continuous,  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}^+$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$ , and  $\eta$  satisfy condition (C) on S. If for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $V = A + \eta(B, A)$  and for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , the function f is operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  with spectra of A and with spectra of V in the interval I. Then for every  $a, b \in (0, 1)$  with a < b and every  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1, the following inequality holds,

$$\left| \left\langle \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) \mathrm{d}u \quad x,x \right\rangle - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \left\langle \int_{0}^{t} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) \mathrm{d}u \quad x,x \right\rangle \mathrm{d}t \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{b-a}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \left[ \left\langle f(A+a\eta(B,A))x,x \right\rangle + 2(s+1) \left\langle f\left(A+\frac{a+b}{2}\eta(B,A)\right)x,x \right\rangle + \left\langle f(A+b\eta(B,A))x,x \right\rangle \right]. \tag{2.9}$$

Moreover, we have

$$\left\| \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) du - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{0}^{t} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) du dt \right\|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{b-a}{2(s+1)} \left[ \frac{\|f(A+a\eta(B,A))\| + 2(s+1)\|f(A+\frac{a+b}{2}\eta(B,A))\| + \|f(A+b\eta(B,A))\|}{2(s+2)} \right]. \quad (2.10)$$

*Proof.* Let  $A, B \in S$  and  $a, b \in (0, 1)$  with a < b. For  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1, we define the function  $\varphi : [a, b] \subseteq [0, 1] \to \mathbb{R}_0$  by

$$\varphi(t) := \left\langle \int_0^t f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du \ x, x \right\rangle.$$

Utilizing the continuity of f, the continuity property of the inner product, and the properties of the integral of operator-valued functions, we have

$$\left\langle \int_0^t f(A + u\eta(B, A)) \mathrm{d}u \ x, x \right\rangle = \int_0^t \langle f(A + u\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle \mathrm{d}u.$$

Since  $f(A + u\eta(B, A)) \ge 0$ ,  $\varphi(t) \ge 0$  for all  $t \in [a, b]$ . Obviously for every  $t \in [a, b]$ , we have

$$\varphi'(t) = \langle f(A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle \ge 0,$$

hence,  $|\varphi'(t)| = \varphi'(t)$ .

Since f is operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , by Lemma 2.4  $\varphi'$  is s-convex. Applying Theorem 1.3 to the function  $\varphi$  implies that

$$\varphi\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \varphi(t) \mathrm{d}t \bigg| \le \frac{b-a}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \bigg[\varphi'(a) + 2(s+1)\varphi'\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + \varphi'(b)\bigg],\tag{2.11}$$

and we know that the inequality (2.9) holds. Taking supremum over both sides of inequality (2.9) for all x with ||x|| = 1, we deduce that the inequality (2.10) holds. Theorem 2.7 is thus proved.

Corollary 2.8. Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.7, it turns out that

$$\left| \left\langle \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) \mathrm{d}u \quad x, x \right\rangle - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \left\langle \int_{0}^{t} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) \mathrm{d}u \quad x, x \right\rangle \mathrm{d}t \right|$$
$$\leq \frac{(2^{2-s}+1)(b-a)}{2(s+1)(s+2)} \left[ \frac{\langle f(A+a\eta(B,A))x, x \rangle + \langle f(A+b\eta(B,A))x, x \rangle}{2} \right]. \tag{2.12}$$

Furthermore, we have

$$\left\| \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{0}^{t} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du dt \right\|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{(2^{2-s} + 1)(b-a)}{2(s+1)(s+2)} \left[ \frac{\|f(A + a\eta(B, A))\| + \|f(A + b\eta(B, A))\|}{2} \right].$$
(2.13)

*Proof.* As the proof of Theorem 2.7, employing s-convexity of  $\varphi$  and (2.11) yield the results of Corollary 2.8.

**Corollary 2.9.** With the conditions of Theorem 2.7, if s = 1, then

$$\left\langle \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) \mathrm{d}u \quad x,x \right\rangle - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \left\langle \int_{0}^{t} f(A+u\eta(B,A)) \mathrm{d}u \quad x,x \right\rangle \mathrm{d}t \bigg|$$

$$\leq \frac{b-a}{4} \bigg[ \frac{\langle f(A+a\eta(B,A))x,x \rangle + 4 \langle f\left(A+\frac{a+b}{2}\eta(B,A)\right)x,x \rangle + \langle f(A+b\eta(B,A))x,x \rangle}{6} \bigg].$$
(2.14)

In addition, we have

$$\left\| \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{0}^{t} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du dt \right\|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{b-a}{4} \left[ \frac{\|f(A + a\eta(B, A))\| + 4\|f(A + \frac{a+b}{2}\eta(B, A))\| + \|f(A + b\eta(B, A))\|}{6} \right].$$
(2.15)

**Corollary 2.10.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.7, if  $\eta(B, A) = B - A$ , then

$$\left| \left\langle \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f((1-u)A + uB) \mathrm{d}u \quad x, x \right\rangle - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \left\langle \int_{0}^{t} f((1-u)A + uB) \mathrm{d}u \quad x, x \right\rangle \mathrm{d}t \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{b-a}{4(s+1)(s+2)} \left[ \left\langle f((1-a)A + aB)x, x \right\rangle + 2(s+1) \left\langle f\left(\frac{2-a-b}{2}A + \frac{a+b}{2}B\right)x, x \right\rangle + \left\langle f((1-b)A + bB)x, x \right\rangle \right]. \tag{2.16}$$

Moreover, we have

$$\left\| \int_{0}^{(a+b)/2} f((1-u)A + uB) du - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{0}^{t} f((1-u)A + uB) du dt \right\|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{b-a}{2(s+1)} \left[ \frac{\|f((1-a)A + aB)\| + 2(s+1)\|f(\frac{2-a-b}{2}A + \frac{a+b}{2}B)\| + \|f((1-b)A + bB)\|}{2(s+2)} \right].$$
(2.17)

*Remark* 2.11. Corollaries 2.8, 2.9 and 2.10 are generalizations of Theorem 5 in [2] and Theorem 2.2 in [15], respectively.

**Theorem 2.12.** Let the function  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}_0$  be continuous,  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}^+$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$ , and  $\eta$  satisfy condition (C) on S. If for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $V = A + \eta(B, A)$  and for some fixed  $s \in (0, 1]$ , the function f is operator s-preinvex with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  with spectra of A and with spectra of V in the interval I. Then for every  $a, b \in (0, 1]$  with a < b and every  $x \in H$  with  $\|x\| = 1$ , the following inequality holds,

$$\left|\frac{1}{2}\left\langle\int_{0}^{a}f(A+u\eta(B,A))\mathrm{d}u \quad x,x\right\rangle + \frac{1}{2}\left\langle\int_{0}^{b}f(A+u\eta(B,A))\mathrm{d}u \quad x,x\right\rangle - \frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}\left\langle\int_{0}^{t}f(A+u\eta(B,A))\mathrm{d}u \quad x,x\right\rangle\mathrm{d}t\right|$$
$$\leq \frac{(b-a)(2^{s+1}+1)}{2^{s}(s+1)(s+2)}\left[\frac{\langle f(A+a\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle + \langle f(A+b\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle}{2}\right].$$
(2.18)

Furthermore, we have

$$\left|\frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{a}f(A+u\eta(B,A))\mathrm{d}u+\frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{b}f(A+u\eta(B,A))\mathrm{d}u-\frac{1}{b-a}\int_{a}^{b}\int_{0}^{t}f(A+u\eta(B,A))\mathrm{d}u\mathrm{d}t\right\|$$
$$\leq\frac{(b-a)(2^{s+1}+1)}{2^{s}(s+1)(s+2)}\left[\frac{\|f(A+a\eta(B,A))\|+\|f(A+b\eta(B,A))\|}{2}\right].$$
(2.19)

*Proof.* With the inequality (1.5) and the similar approach of the proof of Theorem 2.7, it is a simple verification. We omit the routine details.

**Corollary 2.13.** With the conditions of Theorem 2.12, if s = 1, then

$$\frac{1}{2} \left\langle \int_{0}^{a} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du \quad x, x \right\rangle + \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \int_{0}^{b} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du \quad x, x \right\rangle \\
- \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \left\langle \int_{0}^{t} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du \quad x, x \right\rangle dt \left| \\
\leq \frac{5(b-a)}{12} \left[ \frac{\langle f(A + a\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle + \langle f(A + b\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle}{2} \right].$$
(2.20)

Moreover, we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{a} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{b} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du - \frac{1}{b - a} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{0}^{t} f(A + u\eta(B, A)) du dt \right\|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{5(b - a)}{12} \left[ \frac{\|f(A + a\eta(B, A))\| + \|f(A + b\eta(B, A))\|}{2} \right].$$
(2.21)

**Corollary 2.14.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.12, if  $\eta(B, A) = B - A$ , then

$$\left| \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \int_{0}^{a} f((1-u)A + uB) du \quad x, x \right\rangle + \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \int_{0}^{b} f((1-u)A + uB) du \quad x, x \right\rangle \\
- \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \left\langle \int_{0}^{t} f((1-u)A + uB) du \quad x, x \right\rangle dt \\
\leq \frac{(b-a)(2^{s+1}+1)}{2^{s}(s+1)(s+2)} \left[ \frac{\langle f((1-a)A + aB)x, x \rangle + \langle f((1-b)A + bB)x, x \rangle}{2} \right].$$
(2.22)

In addition, we have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{a} f((1-u)A + uB) du + \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{b} f((1-u)A + uB) du - \frac{1}{b-a} \int_{a}^{b} \int_{0}^{t} f((1-u)A + uB) du dt \right\|$$

$$\leq \frac{(b-a)(2^{s+1}+1)}{2^{s}(s+1)(s+2)} \left[ \frac{\|f((1-a)A + aB)\| + \|f((1-b)A + bB)\|}{2} \right].$$

$$(2.23)$$

*Remark* 2.15. Corollaries 2.13 and 2.14 are generalizations of Theorem 1.4 and Theorem 4 in [12], respectively.

In what follows, Hermite-Hadamard type inequalities for the product of two operator *s*-preinvex functions are established.

For some fixed  $s_1, s_2 \in (0, 1]$ , let  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  be an operator  $s_1$ -preinvex function and  $g : I \to \mathbb{R}$  be an operator  $s_2$ -preinvex function on the interval I. Then for all positive operators A and B on a Hilbert space H with spectra in I, we define real functions M(A, B) and N(A, B) on H by

$$M(A,B)(x) = \langle f(A)x, x \rangle \langle g(A)x, x \rangle + \langle f(B)x, x \rangle \langle g(B)x, x \rangle, \quad x \in H,$$
  

$$N(A,B)(x) = \langle f(A)x, x \rangle \langle g(B)x, x \rangle + \langle f(B)x, x \rangle \langle g(A)x, x \rangle, \quad x \in H.$$
(2.24)

We note that, the Beta function is defined as follows:

$$\beta(x,y) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} \mathrm{d}t, \quad x > 0, y > 0.$$
(2.25)

The following two theorems are the generalization of Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.2 in [8] respectively for operator s-preinvex functions.

**Theorem 2.16.** Let  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}^+$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$  and  $\eta$  satisfy condition (C) on S. If for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $V = A + \eta(B, A)$  and for some fixed  $s_1, s_2 \in (0, 1]$ , the continuous function  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  is an operator  $s_1$ -preinvex function and  $g : I \to \mathbb{R}$  is an operator  $s_2$ -preinvex function on the interval I with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  with spectra of A and with spectra of V in the interval I. Then we have the inequality

$$\int_{0}^{1} \langle f(A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle \langle g(A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle dt$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{s_1 + s_2 + 1} \left[ M(A, B)(x) + s_1 \beta(s_1, s_2 + 1) N(A, B)(x) \right]$$
(2.26)

holds for any  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1, where M(A, B) and N(A, B) are defined in (2.24), and the Beta function is defined in (2.25).

*Proof.* For  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1 and  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$\langle (A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle = \langle Ax, x \rangle + t \langle \eta(B, A)x, x \rangle \in I,$$

since  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \in Sp(A) \subseteq I$  and  $\langle Vx, x \rangle \in Sp(V) \subseteq I$ .

From the continuity of f, g, it shows that the operator valued integral  $\int_0^1 f(A + t\eta(B, A))dt$ ,  $\int_0^1 g(A + t\eta(B, A))dt$ , and  $\int_0^1 (fg)(A + t\eta(B, A))dt$  exist. Since  $f: I \to \mathbb{R}$  is operator  $s_1$ -preinvex and  $g: I \to \mathbb{R}$  is operator  $s_2$ -preinvex for some fixed  $s_1, s_2 \in (0, 1]$ ,

Since  $f : I \to \mathbb{R}$  is operator  $s_1$ -preinvex and  $g : I \to \mathbb{R}$  is operator  $s_2$ -preinvex for some fixed  $s_1, s_2 \in (0, 1]$ , therefore for every  $t \in [0, 1]$  we derive

$$\langle f(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle\langle g(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle$$

$$\leq (1-t)^{s_1+s_2}\langle f(A)x,x\rangle\langle g(A)x,x\rangle + (1-t)^{s_1}t^{s_2}\langle f(A)x,x\rangle\langle g(B))x,x\rangle$$

$$+ t^{s_1}(1-t)^{s_2}\langle f(B)x,x\rangle\langle g(A)x,x\rangle + t^{s_1+s_2}\langle f(B)x,x\rangle\langle g(B))x,x\rangle.$$

$$(2.27)$$

Integrating both sides of (2.27) over  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we get the required inequality (2.26). The proof of Theorem 2.16 is complete.

**Corollary 2.17.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.16, if  $s_1 = s_2 = s$ , then

$$\int_{0}^{1} \langle f(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle \langle g(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle \mathrm{d}t$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{2s+1} \big[ M(A,B)(x) + s\beta(s,s+1)N(A,B)(x) \big]. \tag{2.28}$$

Specially, if  $s_1 = s_2 = 1$ , then

$$\int_{0}^{1} \langle f(A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle \langle g(A + t\eta(B, A))x, x \rangle dt \le \frac{2M(A, B)(x) + N(A, B)(x)}{6}.$$
 (2.29)

**Corollary 2.18.** With the conditions of Theorem 2.16, if  $\eta(B, A) = B - A$ , then

$$\int_{0}^{1} \langle f((1-t)A + tB)x, x \rangle \langle g((1-t)A + tB)x, x \rangle dt$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{s_1 + s_2 + 1} \Big[ M(A, B)(x) + s_1 \beta(s_1, s_2 + 1) N(A, B)(x) \Big].$$
(2.30)

**Theorem 2.19.** Let  $S \subseteq B(H)_{sa}^+$  be an invex set with respect to  $\eta : S \times S \to B(H)_{sa}^+$  and  $\eta$  satisfy condition (C) on S. If for every  $A, B \in S$  and  $V = A + \eta(B, A)$  and for some fixed  $s_1, s_2 \in (0, 1]$ , the continuous function  $f : I \subseteq \mathbb{R}_0 \to \mathbb{R}$  is an operator  $s_1$ -preinvex function and  $g : I \to \mathbb{R}$  is an operator  $s_2$ -preinvex function on the interval I with respect to  $\eta$  on  $\eta$ -path  $P_{AV}$  with spectra of A and with spectra of V in the interval I. Then we have that the inequality

$$2^{s_1+s_2-1} \left\langle f\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle$$

$$\leq \int_0^1 \langle f(A+t\eta(B,A))x, x \rangle \langle g(A+t\eta(B,A))x, x \rangle dt$$

$$+ \frac{1}{s_1+s_2+1} \left[ N(A,B)(x) + s_1\beta(s_1,s_2+1)M(A,B)(x) \right]$$
(2.32)

holds for any  $x \in H$  with ||x|| = 1, where M(A, B) and N(A, B) are defined on H in (2.24) and the Beta function is defined in (2.25).

*Proof.* Since  $f : I \to \mathbb{R}$  is operator  $s_1$ -preinvex and  $g : I \to \mathbb{R}$  be operator  $s_2$ -preinvex for some fixed  $s_1, s_2 \in (0, 1]$ , therefore for every  $t \in [0, 1]$  we have

$$\left\langle f\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2^{s_1}} \left\langle \left[f(A+t\eta(B,A)) + f(A+(1-t)\eta(B,A))\right]x, x \right\rangle$$

$$\times \frac{1}{2^{s_2}} \left\langle \left[g(A+t\eta(B,A)) + g(A+(1-t)\eta(B,A))\right]x, x \right\rangle$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2^{s_1+s_2}} \left[ \left\langle f(A+t\eta(B,A))x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g(A+t\eta(B,A))x, x \right\rangle$$

$$+ \left\langle f(A+(1-t)\eta(B,A))x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g(A+(1-t)\eta(B,A))x, x \right\rangle$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2^{s_1+s_2}} \left\{ \left[t^{s_1+s_2} + (1-t)^{s_1+s_2}\right] \left[ \left\langle f(A)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g(B)x, x \right\rangle + \left\langle f(B)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g(B)x, x \right\rangle \right] \right\}$$

$$+ \left[t^{s_1}(1-t)^{s_2} + t^{s_2}(1-t)^{s_1} \right] \left[ \left\langle f(A)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g(A)x, x \right\rangle + \left\langle f(B)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g(B)x, x \right\rangle \right] \right\}.$$

$$(2.33)$$

By integrating over  $t \in [0, 1]$  and taking into account that

$$\begin{split} \int_0^1 \langle f(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle \langle g(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle \mathrm{d}t \\ &= \int_0^1 \langle f(A+(1-t)\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle \langle g(A+(1-t)\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle \mathrm{d}t, \end{split}$$

we obtain the required inequality (2.31). Theorem 2.19 is thus proved.

**Corollary 2.20.** Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.19, if  $s_1 = s_2 = s$ , then

$$2^{2s-1} \left\langle f\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle$$
  
$$\leq \int_{0}^{1} \langle f(A+t\eta(B,A))x, x \rangle \langle g(A+t\eta(B,A))x, x \rangle dt$$
  
$$+ \frac{1}{2s+1} [N(A,B)(x) + s\beta(s,s+1)M(A,B)(x)].$$
(2.34)

In particular, if  $s_1 = s_2 = 1$ , then

$$2\left\langle f\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x,x\right\rangle \left\langle g\left(\frac{A+V}{2}\right)x,x\right\rangle \right\rangle$$
$$\leq \int_{0}^{1} \langle f(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle \langle g(A+t\eta(B,A))x,x\rangle dt$$
$$+\frac{2N(A,B)(x)+M(A,B)(x)}{6}.$$
(2.35)

**Corollary 2.21.** With the conditions of Theorem 2.19, if  $\eta(B, A) = B - A$ , then

$$2^{s_1+s_2-1} \left\langle f\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle$$
  
$$\leq \int_0^1 \langle f((1-t)A+tB)x, x \rangle \langle g((1-t)A+tB)x, x \rangle dt$$
  
$$+ \frac{1}{s_1+s_2+1} \left[ N(A,B)(x) + s_1\beta(s_1, s_2+1)M(A,B)(x) \right].$$
(2.36)

Corollary 2.22. With the assumptions of Theorem 2.16 and Theorem 2.19, we get

$$2^{s_{1}+s_{2}-1} \left\langle f\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g\left(\frac{A+B}{2}\right)x, x \right\rangle - \frac{1}{s_{1}+s_{2}+1} \left[N(A,B)(x) + s_{1}\beta(s_{1},s_{2}+1)M(A,B)(x)\right] \\ \leq \int_{0}^{1} \left\langle f((1-t)A + tB)x, x \right\rangle \left\langle g((1-t)A + tB)x, x \right\rangle dt \\ \leq \frac{1}{s_{1}+s_{2}+1} \left[M(A,B)(x) + s_{1}\beta(s_{1},s_{2}+1)N(A,B)(x)\right].$$
(2.37)

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