



Numerical Radius Inequalities Involving Commutators of G_1 Operators

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Abstract We prove numerical radius inequalities involving commutators of G_1 operators and certain analytic functions. Among other inequalities, it is shown that if A and X are bounded linear operators on a complex Hilbert space, then

$$w(f(A)X + X\bar{f}(A)) \leq \frac{2}{d_A^2} w(X - AXA^*),$$

where A is a G_1 operator with $\sigma(A) \subset \mathbb{D}$ and f is analytic on the unit disk \mathbb{D} such that $\operatorname{Re}(f) > 0$ and $f(0) = 1$.

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1 Introduction

Let $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a complex Hilbert space and $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ denote the C^* -algebra of all bounded linear operators on \mathcal{H} with the identity I . In the case when $\dim \mathcal{H} = n$, we identify $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ with the matrix algebra \mathbb{M}_n of all $n \times n$ matrices having entries in the complex field. The numerical radius of $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is defined by

$$w(A) := \sup \{ |\langle Ax, x \rangle| : x \in \mathcal{H}, \|x\| = 1 \}.$$

It is well known that $w(\cdot)$ defines a norm on $\mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$, which is equivalent to the usual operator norm $\|\cdot\|$. In fact, for any $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$, $\frac{1}{2}\|A\| \leq w(A) \leq \|A\|$ (see [9, p. 9]). If $A^2 = 0$, then equality holds in the first inequality, and if A is normal, then equality holds in the second inequality. For further information about numerical radius inequalities, we refer the reader to [1–3, 12, 16, 17] and references therein.

An operator $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ is called a G_1 operator if the growth condition

$$\|(z - A)^{-1}\| = \frac{1}{\text{dist}(z, \sigma(A))}$$

holds for all z not in the spectrum $\sigma(A)$ of A , where $\text{dist}(z, \sigma(A))$ denotes the distance between z and $\sigma(A)$. For simplicity, if z is a complex number, we write z instead of zI . It is known that hyponormal (in particular, normal) operators are G_1 operators (see, e.g., [15]). Let $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and f be a function which is analytic on an open neighborhood Ω of $\sigma(A)$ in the complex plane. Then $f(A)$ denotes the operator defined on \mathcal{H} by the Riesz–Dunford integral as

$$f(A) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C f(z)(z - A)^{-1} dz,$$

where C is a positively oriented simple closed rectifiable contour surrounding $\sigma(A)$ in Ω (see e.g., [8, p. 568]). The spectral mapping theorem asserts that $\sigma(f(A)) = f(\sigma(A))$. Throughout this note, $\mathbb{D} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ denotes the unit disk, $\partial\mathbb{D}$ stands for the boundary of \mathbb{D} and $d_A = \text{dist}(\partial\mathbb{D}, \sigma(A))$. In addition, we denote

$$\mathfrak{A} = \{f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : f \text{ is analytic, } \text{Re}(f) > 0 \text{ and } f(0) = 1\}.$$

The Sylvester type equations $AXB \pm X = C$ have been investigated in matrix theory (see [4]). Several perturbation bounds for the norms of sums or differences of operators have been presented in the literature by employing some integral representations of certain functions. See [5, 13, 14] and references therein.

In this paper, we present some upper bounds for the numerical radii of the commutators and elementary operators of the form $f(A)X \pm X\bar{f}(A)$, $f(A)X\bar{f}(B) - f(B)X\bar{f}(A)$ and $f(A)X\bar{f}(B) + 2X + f(B)X\bar{f}(A)$, where $A, B, X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $f \in \mathfrak{A}$.

2 Main Results

To prove our first result, the following lemma concerning numerical radius inequalities and an equality is required.

Lemma 2.1 [10,11] *Let $A, B, X, Y \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Then*

- (a) $w(A^*XA) \leq \|A\|^2 w(X)$.
- (b) $w(AX \pm XA^*) \leq 2\|A\|w(X)$.
- (c) $w(A^*XB \pm B^*YA) \leq 2\|A\|\|B\| w\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ Y & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$.
- (d) $w\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BYA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \max\{\|A\|^2, \|B\|^2\}w\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ Y & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right)$.
- (e) $w\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ Y & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) \leq \frac{w(X+Y)+w(X-Y)}{2}$.
- (f) $w\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ e^{i\theta}X & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = w(X)$ for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof Since all parts, except part (d), have been shown in [10,11], we prove only part

(d). If we take $C = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & B \end{bmatrix}$ and $S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ Y & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, then $CSC^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BYA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Now, using part (a), we have

$$\begin{aligned} w\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BYA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= w(CSC^*) \\ &\leq \|C\|^2 w(S) \\ &= \max\{\|A\|^2, \|B\|^2\}w\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ Y & 0 \end{bmatrix}\right), \end{aligned}$$

as required. □

Now, we are in position to demonstrate the main results of this section by using some ideas from [13,14].

Theorem 2.2 *Let $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a G_1 operator with $\sigma(A) \subset \mathbb{D}$ and $f \in \mathfrak{A}$. Then for every $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we have*

$$w(f(A)X + X\bar{f}(A)) \leq \frac{2}{d_A^2} w(X - AXA^*)$$

and

$$w(f(A)X - X\bar{f}(A)) \leq \frac{4}{d_A^2} \|A\|w(X).$$

Proof Using the Herglotz representation theorem (see e.g., [7, p.21]), we have

$$f(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\alpha} + z}{e^{i\alpha} - z} d\mu(\alpha) + i\operatorname{Im} f(0) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\alpha} + z}{e^{i\alpha} - z} d\mu(\alpha),$$

where μ is a positive Borel measure on the interval $[0, 2\pi]$ with finite total mass $\int_0^{2\pi} d\mu(\alpha) = f(0) = 1$. Hence,

$$\bar{f}(z) = \overline{\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\alpha} + z}{e^{i\alpha} - z} d\mu(\alpha)} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{-i\alpha} + \bar{z}}{e^{-i\alpha} - \bar{z}} d\mu(\alpha),$$

where \bar{f} is the conjugate function of f . So,

$$\begin{aligned} f(A)X + X\bar{f}(A) &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[(e^{i\alpha} + A)(e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} X \right. \\ &\quad \left. + X(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*)(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\alpha) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} \left[(e^{i\alpha} + A)X(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (e^{i\alpha} - A)X(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*) \right] (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \\ &= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (X - AXA^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha). \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} &w(f(A)X + X\bar{f}(A)) \\ &= w\left(\int_0^{2\pi} \left[(e^{i\alpha} + A)(e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} X \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + X(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*)(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\alpha)\right) \\ &= 2w\left(\int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (X - AXA^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha)\right) \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} w\left((e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (X - AXA^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1}\right) d\mu(\alpha) \\ &\quad \text{(since } w(\cdot) \text{ is a norm)} \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left\| (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} \right\|^2 w(X - AXA^*) d\mu(\alpha) \\ &\quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1(a)).} \end{aligned}$$

Since A is a G_1 operator, it follows that

$$\left\| \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \right\| = \frac{1}{\text{dist}(e^{i\alpha}, \sigma(A))} \leq \frac{1}{\text{dist}(\partial\mathbb{D}, \sigma(A))} = \frac{1}{d_A},$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} w(f(A)X + X\bar{f}(A)) &\leq \left(\frac{2}{d_A^2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\mu(\alpha) \right) w(X - AXA^*) \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{d_A^2} f(0) \right) w(X - AXA^*) \\ &= \frac{2}{d_A^2} w(X - AXA^*). \end{aligned}$$

This proves the first inequality.

Similarly, it follows from the equations

$$\begin{aligned} f(A)X - X\bar{f}(A) &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\left(e^{i\alpha} + A \right) \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} X \right. \\ &\quad \left. - X \left(e^{-i\alpha} + A^* \right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\alpha) \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left[\left(e^{i\alpha} + A \right) X \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right) X \left(e^{-i\alpha} + A^* \right) \right] \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \\ &= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left(e^{-i\alpha} AX - e^{i\alpha} XA^* \right) \\ &\quad \times \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \\ &= 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left(\left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right) X \right. \\ &\quad \left. - X \left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right)^* \right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

that

$$\begin{aligned} &w(f(A)X - X\bar{f}(A)) \\ &= 2w \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left(\left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right) X - X \left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right)^* \right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) \right) \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} w \left(\left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left(\left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right) X - X \left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right)^* \right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} \right) d\mu(\alpha) \\ &\quad \text{(since } w(\cdot) \text{ is a norm)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \left\| \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \right\|^2 w \left(\left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right) X - X \left(e^{-i\alpha} A \right)^* \right) d\mu(\alpha) \\
&\quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1 (a))} \\
&\leq 4 \int_0^{2\pi} \left\| \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \right\|^2 \|e^{-i\alpha} A\| w(X) d\mu(\alpha) \\
&\quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1 (b))} \\
&\leq \frac{4}{d_A^2} \|A\| w(X) \int_0^{2\pi} d\mu(\alpha) \\
&\leq \frac{4}{d_A^2} \|A\| w(X).
\end{aligned}$$

This proves the second inequality and completes the proof of the theorem. \square

If we take $X = I$ in Theorem 2.2, we get the following result. Observe that $\bar{f}(A) = (f(A))^*$.

Corollary 2.3 *Let $A \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be a G_1 operator with $\sigma(A) \subset \mathbb{D}$ and $f \in \mathfrak{A}$. Then*

$$\|Re(f(A))\| \leq \frac{1}{d_A^2} \|I - AA^*\|$$

and

$$\|Im(f(A))\| \leq \frac{2}{d_A^2} \|A\|.$$

Theorem 2.4 *Let $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be G_1 operators with $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$ and $f \in \mathfrak{A}$. Then for every $X \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
&w(f(A)X\bar{f}(B) - f(B)X\bar{f}(A)) \\
&\leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} [2w(X) + w(AXB^* + BXA^*) + w(AXB^* - BXA^*)]
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
&w(f(A)X\bar{f}(B) + 2X + f(B)X\bar{f}(A)) \\
&\leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} [2w(X) + w(AXB^* + BXA^*) + w(AXB^* - BXA^*)].
\end{aligned}$$

Proof We have

$$\begin{aligned}
&f(A)X\bar{f}(B) - f(B)X\bar{f}(A) \\
&= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\alpha} + A \right) X \left(e^{-i\beta} + B^* \right) \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^* \right)^{-1} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \left(e^{i\beta} - B \right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\beta} + B \right) X \left(e^{-i\alpha} + A^* \right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta).
\end{aligned}$$

Using the equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(e^{i\alpha} - A\right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\alpha} + A\right) X \left(e^{-i\beta} + B^*\right) \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^*\right)^{-1} \\
 & \quad - \left(e^{i\beta} - B\right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\beta} + B\right) X \left(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*\right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*\right)^{-1} \\
 & = \left(e^{i\alpha} - A\right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\alpha} + A\right) X \left(e^{-i\beta} + B^*\right) \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^*\right)^{-1} + X \\
 & \quad - X - \left(e^{i\beta} - B\right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\beta} + B\right) X \left(e^{-i\beta} + A^*\right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*\right)^{-1} \\
 & = \left(e^{i\alpha} - A\right)^{-1} \left[\left(e^{i\alpha} + A\right) X \left(e^{-i\beta} + B^*\right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left(e^{i\alpha} - A\right) X \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^*\right) \right] \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^*\right)^{-1} \\
 & \quad - \left(e^{i\beta} - B\right)^{-1} \left[\left(e^{i\beta} - B\right) X \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*\right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \left(e^{i\beta} + B\right) X \left(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*\right) \right] \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*\right)^{-1} \\
 & = 2\left(e^{i\alpha} - A\right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^*\right) \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^*\right)^{-1} \\
 & \quad - 2\left(e^{i\beta} - B\right)^{-1} \left(e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^*\right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*\right)^{-1},
 \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & w(f(A)X\bar{f}(B) - f(B)X\bar{f}(A)) \\
 & = 2w \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^* \right) \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^* \right)^{-1} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \left(e^{i\beta} - B \right)^{-1} \left(e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^* \right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \right) \\
 & \leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} w \left(\left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \left(e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^* \right) \left(e^{-i\beta} - B^* \right)^{-1} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - \left(e^{i\beta} - B \right)^{-1} \left(e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^* \right) \left(e^{-i\alpha} - A^* \right)^{-1} \right) d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \\
 & \quad \text{(since } w(\cdot) \text{ is a norm)} \\
 & \leq 4 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left\| \left(e^{i\alpha} - A \right)^{-1} \right\| \left\| \left(e^{i\beta} - B \right)^{-1} \right\| \\
 & \quad \times w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^* \\ e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \\
 & \quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1 (c))} \\
 & \leq \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X \\ e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right] d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right] d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \\
&\leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} [2w(X) + w(AXB^* + BXA^*) + w(AXB^* - BXA^*)] \\
&\quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1 (e) and (f)).}
\end{aligned}$$

This proves the first inequality.

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&f(A)X\bar{f}(B) + 2X + f(B)X\bar{f}(A) \\
&= \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[(e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (e^{i\alpha} + A)X(e^{-i\beta} + B^*) (e^{-i\beta} - B^*)^{-1} + 2X \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1} (e^{i\beta} + B)X(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} \right] d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta).
\end{aligned}$$

Using the equations

$$\begin{aligned}
&(e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (e^{i\alpha} + A)X(e^{-i\beta} + B^*) (e^{-i\beta} - B^*)^{-1} + 2X \\
&\quad + (e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1} (e^{i\beta} + B)X(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} \\
&= (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (e^{i\alpha} + A)X(e^{-i\beta} + B^*) (e^{-i\beta} - B^*)^{-1} + X \\
&\quad + X + (e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1} (e^{i\beta} + B)X(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} \\
&= (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} \left[(e^{i\alpha} + A)X(e^{-i\beta} + B^*) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (e^{i\alpha} - A)X(e^{-i\beta} - B^*) \right] (e^{-i\beta} - B^*)^{-1} \\
&\quad + (e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1} \left[(e^{i\beta} - B)X(e^{-i\alpha} - A^*) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (e^{i\beta} + B)X(e^{-i\alpha} + A^*) \right] (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} \\
&= 2(e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^*) (e^{-i\beta} - B^*)^{-1} \\
&\quad + 2(e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1} (e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1},
\end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&w(f(A)X\bar{f}(B) + 2X + f(B)X\bar{f}(A)) \\
&= 2w \left(\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^*) (e^{-i\beta} - B^*)^{-1} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + (e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1} (e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq 2 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} w \left((e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1} (e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^*) (e^{-i\beta} - B^*)^{-1} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + (e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1} (e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^*) (e^{-i\alpha} - A^*)^{-1} \right) d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \\
 &\quad \text{(since } w(\cdot) \text{ is a norm)} \\
 &\leq 4 \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \|(e^{i\alpha} - A)^{-1}\| \|(e^{i\beta} - B)^{-1}\| \\
 &\quad \times w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^* \\ e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \\
 &\quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1 (c))} \\
 &\leq \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X \\ e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right] d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \\
 &= \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & X \\ X & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) + w \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right] d\mu(\alpha) d\mu(\beta) \\
 &\leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} [2w(X) + w(AXB^* + BXA^*) + w(AXB^* - BXA^*)] \\
 &\quad \text{(by Lemma 2.1 (e) and (f)).}
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves the second inequality and completes the proof of the theorem. □

Remark 2.5 Under the assumptions of Theorem 2.4 and the hypothesis that X is self-adjoint, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|f(A)X\bar{f}(B) - f(B)X\bar{f}(A)\| \\
 &\leq \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \max\{\| |X| \| + \| |AXB^*| \|, \| |X| \| + \| |BXA^*| \| \}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|f(A)X\bar{f}(B) + 2X + f(B)X\bar{f}(A)\| \\
 &\leq \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \max\{\| |X| \| + \| |AXB^*| \|, \| |X| \| + \| |BXA^*| \| \}.
 \end{aligned}$$

To see this, first note that if X is self-adjoint, then the operator matrix

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X + AXB^* \\ e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X + BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

is self-adjoint, hence $w(T) = \|T\|$. Moreover, $T = M + N$, where

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^{i\alpha} e^{-i\beta} X \\ e^{-i\alpha} e^{i\beta} X & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & AXB^* \\ BXA^* & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

are self-adjoint operators. Using the fact that $\|C + D\| \leq \| |C| + |D| \|$ for any normal operators C and D (see [6]), we have

$$\begin{aligned} w(T) &= \|M + N\| \leq \| |M| + |N| \| \\ &= \max\{\| |X| \| + \| |AXB^*| \|, \| |X| \| + \| |BXA^*| \| \}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we get the required inequalities by the same arguments as in the proof of Theorem 2.4.

If we take $X = I$ in Theorem 2.4, we get the following result.

Corollary 2.6 *Let $A, B \in \mathbb{B}(\mathcal{H})$ be G_1 operators with $\sigma(A) \cup \sigma(B) \subset \mathbb{D}$ and $f \in \mathfrak{A}$. Then*

$$\| \operatorname{Im}(f(A)\bar{f}(B)) \| \leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} (1 + \|AB^*\|)$$

and

$$\| \operatorname{Re}(f(A)\bar{f}(B)) + I \| \leq \frac{2}{d_A d_B} (1 + \|AB^*\|).$$

Remark 2.7 If instead of applying Lemma 2.1 (c) we use Lemma 2.1 (d) and (f) in the proof Theorem 2.4, we obtain the related inequalities

$$w(f(A)X\bar{f}(B) - f(B)X\bar{f}(A)) \leq \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \left[1 + \max\{\|A\|^2, \|B\|^2\} \right] w(X)$$

and

$$w(f(A)X\bar{f}(B) + 2X + f(B)X\bar{f}(A)) \leq \frac{4}{d_A d_B} \left[1 + \max\{\|A\|^2, \|B\|^2\} \right] w(X).$$

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