

# On an inequality of Hadamard product and the weighted version of arithmetic and harmonic

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## Abstract

In this paper we give inequalities involving the Hadamard product and arithmetic-harmonic means of matrices. Moreover, we prove the trace inequality of the product of the arithmetic and harmonic means.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $M_n$  denote the set of all  $n \times n$  complex matrices. The Hadamard product of two matrices  $A = [a_{ij}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]$  is their element-wise product which is given by

$$A \circ B = [a_{ij}b_{ij}].$$

If  $A \in M_n$  and all eigenvalues for  $A$  are real,  $\lambda_i(A)$  denotes the  $i$  th largest eigenvalues of  $A$ .

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be positive definite and  $t \in (0, 1)$ . Then the weighted version of arithmetic, geometric and harmonic means are defined [8], respectively, by

$$\begin{aligned} A \nabla_t B &= tA + (1-t)B \\ A \#_t B &= A^{\frac{1}{2}} (A^{-\frac{1}{2}} B A^{-\frac{1}{2}})^t A^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ A !_t B &= [tA^{-1} + (1-t)B^{-1}]^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $t = 1/2$ , we simply put  $A\#B$  for  $A\#_{1/2}B$ . The usual arithmetic, geometric and harmonic means correspond to  $t = 1/2$ . The definitions extend to positive semidefinite matrices by continuity. For the rest of this paper, we assume that  $A$  and  $B$  are positive definite. It is well known that the following inequalities are valid:

$$A!_tB \leq A\#_tB \leq A\nabla_tB,$$

$$(A \circ B) \geq (A\#B) \circ (A\#B)$$

$$(A!_tB)\#(A\nabla_{1-t}B) = A\#B$$

Bapat and Sunder [2] proved that

$$\prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A \circ B) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A)\lambda_i(B), \quad k = 1, \dots, n. \tag{1}$$

The Horn theorem [6] says that

$$\prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(AB) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A)\lambda_i(B), \quad k = 1, \dots, n. \tag{2}$$

Bapat and Johnson [5] proved that

$$\prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A \circ B) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(AB), \quad k = 1, \dots, n. \tag{3}$$

In 2017 Hiai and Lin [4] gave a weighted extension of results of Ando [1]

$$\prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A \circ B) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A\#_{1-t}B)(A\#_tB) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(AB), \quad k = 1, \dots, n.$$

In this paper we have to prove the inequalities

$$\prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A \circ B) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A\nabla_{1-t}B)(A!_tB) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(AB), \quad k = 1, \dots, n$$

for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . We also prove some trace inequality of the product of the

arithmetic and harmonic means.

## 2 Main Results

The following lemma are well know, we will apply it to prove the next theorem.

**Lemma 1.** [4] Let  $X$  be a selfadjoint matrix. For any positive semidefinite  $A, B$ , the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} A & X \\ X & B \end{pmatrix}$  is positive semidefinite if and only if  $XA^{-1}X \leq B$ .

**Lemma 2.** [6] Let  $A, B$  be positive semidefinite. Then  $A\#B$  is the maximum of all selfadjoint matrix  $X$  for which  $\begin{pmatrix} A & X \\ X & B \end{pmatrix}$  is positive semidefinite.

We have to prove some lemmas before proving the main theorem.

**Lemma 3.** Let  $A, B$  be positive definite matrices. Then for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} A!_t B & A\#B \\ A\#B & A\nabla_{1-t} B \end{pmatrix}$  is positive semidefinite.

*Proof.* We have to show  $A\#B \begin{pmatrix} A!_t B & A\#B \\ A\#B & A\nabla_{1-t} B \end{pmatrix}^{-1} A\#B \leq A\nabla_{1-t} B$ . Since we know that

$$\begin{aligned} A\#B \begin{pmatrix} A!_t B & A\#B \\ A\#B & A\nabla_{1-t} B \end{pmatrix}^{-1} A\#B &= tA^{1/2} A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} A^{1/2} A^{-1} A^{1/2} A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} A^{1/2} \\ &\quad + (1-t)A^{1/2} A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} A^{1/2} B^{-1} A^{1/2} A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} A^{1/2} \\ &= tA^{1/2} A^{-1/2} B A^{-1/2} A^{1/2} + (1-t)A \\ &= A\nabla_{1-t} B, \end{aligned}$$

by lemma 2 we have  $\begin{pmatrix} A!_t B & A\#B \\ A\#B & A\nabla_{1-t} B \end{pmatrix}$  is positive semidefinite.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.** Let  $A, B$  be positive definite matrices. For all  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ,  $A \circ B \geq (A!_t B) \circ (A\nabla_{1-t} B)$

*Proof.* To prove this lemma, we will use the equation obtained from the definition of the geometric mean  $(AB^{-1}A)\#B = A$  and the inequality  $A \circ B \geq$

$(A\#B) \circ (A\#B)$ . Then we have that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A!_tB) \circ (A\nabla_{1-t}B) &= ((tA^{-1} + (1-t)B^{-1})^{-1} \circ ((1-t)A + tB) \\
 &= t^{-1}[A - (1-t)A \ (1-t)A + tB^{-1}A] \circ (1-t)A + tB \\
 &= [t^{-1}(1-t)A \circ A + A \circ B] \\
 &\quad - t^{-1}(1-t)A \ (1-t)A + tB^{-1}A \circ (1-t)A + tB \\
 &\leq [t^{-1}(1-t)A \circ A + A \circ B] - t^{-1}(1-t)A \circ A \\
 &= A \circ B.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 5.** Let  $A, B$  be positive definite matrices. Then for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$

$$\prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A \circ B) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A\nabla_{1-t}B)(A!_tB) \geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(AB), \quad k = 1, \dots, n.$$

*Proof.* By Lemma 4 and the inequality (2), we get

$$\lambda_i(A \circ B) \geq \lambda_i(A\#_{1-t}B) \circ (A!_tB), \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

and by the inequality (2) and (3) for any  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A \circ B) &\geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A\nabla_{1-t}B) \circ (A!_tB) \\
 &\geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A\nabla_{1-t}B)(A!_tB) \\
 &\geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A\nabla_{1-t}B)\lambda_i(A!_tB).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

We proceed to prove the second inequality of this theorem by using lemma 3 and theorem 2.5 of [4]. As for any  $k = 1, \dots, n$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A\nabla_{1-t}B) &= \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A!_tB)^{-1} \lambda_i(A\#B)(A\#B) \\
 &\geq \prod_{i=k}^n \lambda_i(A!_tB)^{-1}\lambda_i(AB).
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

□

That is,  $\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(A \nabla_{1-t} B) \lambda_i(A \sharp_t B) \geq \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(AB)$ .

Next we will prove some trace inequality of the product of the arithmetic and harmonic means.

**Lemma 6.** *Let  $A, B$  be positive definite matrices. Then*

$$\det((A!_tB)(A \nabla_{1-t}B)) = \det(AB).$$

*Proof.* For any the positive definite matrices  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $\det(A\#B)$  can be directly calculated as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A\#B) &= \det A^{1/2}(A^{-1/2}BA^{-1/2})^{1/2}A^{1/2} \\ &= \det(A^{1/2}) \det(B^{1/2}). \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Applying this result, it follows that

$$\det((A!_tB)\#(A \nabla_{1-t}B)) = \det((A!_tB)^{1/2}) \det((A \nabla_{1-t}B)^{1/2}).$$

But we know that  $(A!_tB)\#(A \nabla_{1-t}B) = A\#B$ . Thus

$$\det((A!_tB)(A \nabla_{1-t}B)) = \det(AB).$$

□

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $A, B$  be positive definite matrices. Then*

$$\text{tr}((A \nabla_{1-t}B)(A!_tB)) \leq \text{tr}(AB).$$

*Proof.* Apply lemma 6 by using the relation of the determinant and eigenvalue, we get

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i((A!_tB)(A \nabla_{1-t}B)) = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(AB).$$

Thus the second inequality of theorem 5 is equivalent to

$$\prod_{i=1}^k \lambda_i((A!_tB)(A \nabla_{1-t}B)) \leq \prod_{i=1}^k \lambda_i(AB), \quad k = 1 \dots n.$$

Next, we use the example II.3.5(vii) of [3] implies

$$\text{tr}((A \nabla_{1-t}B)(A!_tB)) \leq \text{tr}(AB).$$

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