

# Hilbert-Schmidt numerical radius inequalities for $2 \times 2$ operator matrices

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## Abstract

Let  $A$  and  $C$  be operators in the Hilbert-Schmidt class. Then

$$\max(\sqrt{2}w_2(A), \sqrt{2}w_2(C)) \leq w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ -C & -A \end{bmatrix} \right) \leq \sqrt{2}(w_2(A) + w_2(C)).$$

Several Hilbert-Schmidt numerical radius inequalities are given.

## 1 Introduction

Let  $B(H)$  denote the algebra of all bounded linear operators on a complex separable Hilbert space  $H$ . For  $A \in B(H)$ , let  $\|A\|_p$ ,  $\|A\|$ , and  $\|A\|_2$  denote, respectively, the Schatten  $p$ -norms, and in particular the spectral norm and the Hilbert-Schmidt norm of  $A$ . Note that the Schatten  $p$ -norms for  $1 \leq p < \infty$  of the operator  $A \in B(H)$  is defined by  $\|A\|_p = (tr |A|^p)^{1/p} = \left( \sum_{j=1}^n s_j^p(A) \right)^{1/p}$ , where  $s_1(A) \geq s_2(A) \geq \dots$  are the singular values of  $A$ . For recent studies about singular value inequalities, we refer the reader to [3], [4], [5] and [6]. The Schatten  $p$ -classes, for  $0 < p < \infty$ , are denoted by  $C_p$  which

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consist of all operators  $A$  for which  $\|A\|_p$  is finite. In particular, if  $p = \infty$  we denote the norm by  $\|A\|$  and that is called the spectral norm and if  $p = 2$  we denote the norm by  $\|A\|_2$  and it is called Hilbert-Schmidt norm. It is known that for  $A \in B(H)$ , the numerical radius of  $A$  is given by

$$w(A) = \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \| \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta} A) \|.$$

The generalization of the numerical radius is defined by

$$w_N(A) = \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} N(\operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta} A)),$$

for every  $A \in B(H)$ , where  $N(\cdot)$  is a norm in  $B(H)$ . In particular, if  $N = \|\cdot\|_2$ , then  $w_2(A) = \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \|\operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta} A)\|_2$  is called the Hilbert-Schmidt numerical radius. If  $A$  is self-adjoint, then  $w_N(A) = N(A)$ . It is known that the Hilbert Schmidt numerical radius and, in particular, the numerical radius define norms on  $B(H)$ .

For more details and proofs about numerical radius, we refer the reader to [7], [8], [9], and [11].

In [1], Aldalabih and Kittaneh have given a refinement of the triangle inequality for the Hilbert-Schmidt norm:

$$\|B + C\|_2 \leq \sqrt{2} w_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leq \|B\|_2 + \|C\|_2. \quad (1.1)$$

The authors in [2] have provided a refinement of triangle inequality for the Schatten  $p$ -norms:

If  $B, C \in C_p$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , then

$$\|B + C\|_p \leq 2^{1-\frac{1}{p}} w_p \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C^* & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leq \|B\|_p + \|C\|_p. \quad (1.2)$$

In particular, when  $p = 2$  the inequality (1.1) follows.

The authors in [1] have been provided the following properties for the Hilbert-Schmidt numerical radius of  $2 \times 2$  operator matrices:

1. Let  $A, B, C, D \in C_2$ . Then

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \leq \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + w_2^2(D) + \|B\|_2^2 + \|C\|_2^2}. \quad (1.3)$$

2. Let  $A, B, C, D \in C_2$ . Then

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \geq w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}, \tag{1.4}$$

and

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \geq w_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{1.5}$$

3. Let  $A, D \in C_2$ . Then

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} \leq \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + w_2^2(D)}, \tag{1.6}$$

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leq \frac{w_2(B + C) + w_2(B - C)}{\sqrt{2}}, \tag{1.7}$$

and

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + \frac{1}{2} \|B\|_2^2}. \tag{1.8}$$

We provide several new Hilbert-Schmidt numerical radius inequalities for  $2 \times 2$  operator matrices.

## 2 Main Results

We begin our study by the following Hilbert-Schmidt numerical radius inequality for  $2 \times 2$  operator matrices.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $A, B, C \in C_2$ . Then*

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} \leq \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + w_2^2(D) + \sqrt{2}w_2(B)}. \tag{2.9}$$

*Proof.* Throughout the proof of this theorem, let

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta}A) & 0 \\ 0 & \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta}D) \end{bmatrix}, L = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta}B) \\ \operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta}B) & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$X = \left[ \sqrt{\|\operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta}A)\|_2^2 + \|\operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta}D)\|_2^2} + \sqrt{2} \|(\operatorname{Re}(e^{i\theta}B))\|_2 \right],$$

$$Y = \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \left[ \sqrt{\|Re(e^{i\theta} A)\|_2^2 + \|Re(e^{i\theta} D)\|_2^2} \right],$$

and

$$Z = \sqrt{\sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \|Re(e^{i\theta} A)\|_2^2 + \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \|Re(e^{i\theta} D)\|_2^2}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| Re e^{i\theta} \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 &= \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\theta} A & e^{i\theta} B \\ e^{i\theta} B & e^{i\theta} D \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\theta} A^* & e^{-i\theta} B^* \\ e^{-i\theta} B^* & e^{-i\theta} D^* \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} e^{i\theta} A + e^{-i\theta} A^* & e^{i\theta} B + e^{-i\theta} B^* \\ e^{i\theta} B + e^{-i\theta} B^* & e^{i\theta} D + e^{-i\theta} D^* \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \\ &= \left\| \begin{bmatrix} Re(e^{i\theta} A) & Re(e^{i\theta} B) \\ Re(e^{i\theta} B) & Re(e^{i\theta} D) \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \\ &= \|K + L\|_2 \\ &\leq \|K\|_2 + \|L\|_2 \\ &= X. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} &= \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \left\| Re e^{i\theta} \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & D \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \\ &= \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} [X] \\ &\leq Y + \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \left[ \sqrt{2} \|(Re(e^{i\theta} B))\|_2 \right] \\ &\leq Z + \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}} \left[ \sqrt{2} \|(Re(e^{i\theta} B))\|_2 \right] \\ &= \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + w_2^2(D)} + \sqrt{2} w_2(B). \end{aligned}$$

□

The following result is Hilbert-Schmidt numerical radius inequality for  $2 \times 2$  operator matrices of the form  $\begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ -C & -A \end{bmatrix}$ . Numerical radius inequalities for  $2 \times 2$  operator matrices for this form of matrices have been given in [10].

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $A, C \in C_2$ . Then*

$$w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ -C & -A \end{bmatrix} \right) \leq \sqrt{2} (w_2(A) + w_2(C)). \quad (2.10)$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ -C & -A \end{bmatrix} &= w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & -A \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & C \\ -C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
 &\leq w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & -A \end{bmatrix} + w_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & C \\ -C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &\leq \sqrt{2w_2^2(A)} + \sqrt{2}w_2(C) \\
 &= \sqrt{2}w_2(A) + \sqrt{2}w_2(C) = \sqrt{2}(w_2(A) + w_2(C)).
 \end{aligned}$$

□

By making use of inequalities (1.4) and (1.5), we provide the following finding.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $A, C \in C_2$ . Then*

$$w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ -C & -A \end{bmatrix} \right) \geq \max(\sqrt{2}w_2(A), \sqrt{2}w_2(C)). \tag{2.11}$$

*Proof.* Applying inequalities (1.4) and (1.5), we get inequality (2.11). □

**Remark 2.4.** *Combining inequalities (2.10) and (2.11) leads to the following inequality.*

$$\max(\sqrt{2}w_2(A), \sqrt{2}w_2(C)) \leq w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & C \\ -C & -A \end{bmatrix} \right) \leq \sqrt{2}(w_2(A) + w_2(C)). \tag{2.12}$$

**Corollary 2.5.** *Let  $A \in C_2$ . Then*

$$w_2(A) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & A \\ -A & -A \end{bmatrix} \right) \leq 2w_2(A). \tag{2.13}$$

*Proof.* Replacing  $C$  by  $A$  in inequality (2.12) gives inequality (2.13). □

Using inequalities (1.6) and (1.7) we get the following result.

**Theorem 2.6.** *Let  $A, B, C, D \in C_2$ . Then*

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \leq \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + w_2^2(D)} + \frac{w_2(B + C) + w_2(B - C)}{\sqrt{2}}. \tag{2.14}$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} &= w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &\leq w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} + w_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &\leq \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + w_2^2(D)} + \frac{w_2(B+C) + w_2(B-C)}{\sqrt{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

which is inequality (2.14).  $\square$

To reach our next finding, we need the following two lemmas, the first one is well-known, the second one can be given by using the same procedure used to prove Theorem 1(b) in [1].

**Lemma 2.7.** *Let  $A \in C_2$ . Then*

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \|A\|_2 \leq w_2(A) \leq \|A\|_2. \quad (2.15)$$

**Lemma 2.8.** *Let  $A, B \in C_2$ . Then*

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} = \sqrt{w_2^2(D) + \frac{1}{2} \|C\|_2^2}. \quad (2.16)$$

The following theorem is an application of inequalities (1.8), (2.15) and (2.16).

**Theorem 2.9.** *Let  $A, B, C, D \in C_2$ . Then*

$$w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \leq w_2(A) + w_2(B) + w_2(D) + w_2(C). \quad (2.17)$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} &= w_2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &\leq w_2 \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + w_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \sqrt{w_2^2(A) + \frac{1}{2} \|B\|_2^2} + \sqrt{w_2^2(D) + \frac{1}{2} \|C\|_2^2}, \\ &\quad \text{(by applying inequalities (1.8) and (2.16)).} \\ &\leq w_2(A) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \|B\|_2 + w_2(D) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \|C\|_2 \\ &\leq w_2(A) + w_2(B) + w_2(D) + w_2(C). \\ &\quad \text{(by making use of inequality (2.15)).} \end{aligned}$$

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