

A NEW PROOF OF AN INEQUALITY OF HEINZ

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In a recent paper, [1], Dixmier has proved Heinz' inequality by deducing it from a lemma due to Thorin. In this note it is proved directly from a convexity theorem.

Let  $(M^{(k)}, \mathcal{M}^{(k)}, \mu^{(k)})$ ,  $k = 0, \dots, n$ , be measure spaces and  $L^{q^{(k)}}(M^{(k)}, \mathcal{M}^{(k)}, \mu^{(k)})$  be all the functions on  $M^{(k)}$

such that  $\|f\|_{q^{(k)}, \mu^{(k)}} = \left( \int_{M^{(k)}} |f|^{q^{(k)}} d\mu^{(k)} \right)^{\frac{1}{q^{(k)}}} < \infty$ .

Let  $\underline{M} = M^{(1)} \times \dots \times M^{(n)}$  with elements  $\underline{f} = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$ ; also write  $\underline{q} = (q^{(1)}, \dots, q^{(n)})$ ,  $\underline{\mu} = (\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(n)})$  and  $L^{\underline{q}}(\underline{M}, \underline{\mathcal{M}}, \underline{\mu})$  for  $L^{q^{(1)}}(M^{(1)}, \mathcal{M}^{(1)}, \mu^{(1)}) \times \dots \times L^{q^{(n)}}(M^{(n)}, \mathcal{M}^{(n)}, \mu^{(n)})$ .

An operator  $T$  on  $\underline{M}$  to  $M^{(0)}$  is called sublinear if

(i)  $T\underline{f}_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , being defined implies that  $T(\underline{f}_1 + \underline{f}_2)$  is defined,

$$(ii) \quad |T(\underline{f}_1 + \underline{f}_2)| \leq |T\underline{f}_1| + |T\underline{f}_2|,$$

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$$(iii) T(\lambda \underline{f}) = |\lambda| T\underline{f}.$$

Such an operator is said to be of type  $[(q^{(o)}, \mu^{(o)}), (q, \underline{\mu})]$  with constant  $K$  if it satisfies  $\|T\underline{f}\|_{q^{(o)}, \mu^{(o)}} < K \prod_{k=1}^n \left\{ \|f^{(k)}\|_{q^{(k)}, \mu^{(k)}} \right\}$  for all  $\underline{f} \in L^q(M, \mathcal{M}, \underline{\mu})$ .

Given  $q_1, \dots, q_m$  and  $\underline{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_m)$ ,  $i_j \geq 0$ ,  $i_1 + \dots + i_m = 1$  we define  $q$  (or more precisely  $q(i)$ ) by

$$\frac{1}{q^{(k)}} = \frac{i_1}{q_1^{(k)}} + \dots + \frac{i_m}{q_m^{(k)}}, \quad k = 1, \dots, n.$$

Again, if we are given  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_m$  and if  $\mu_\sigma = \mu_1 + \dots + \mu_m$  we define  $\underline{\alpha}_j = (\alpha_j^1, \dots, \alpha_j^n)$  by  $\mu_j^{(k)} = \int_E \alpha_j^{(k)} d\mu_\sigma^{(k)}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m$ . Now define  $\underline{\mu}$  (or more precisely  $\underline{\mu}(i)$ ) by

$$\mu^{(k)} = \int_E \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^m (\alpha_j^{(k)})^{i_j/q_j^{(k)}} \right\} q^{(k)} d\mu_\sigma^{(k)}, \quad k = 1, \dots, n.$$

In a similar way given  $q_j^{(o)}, \mu_j^{(o)}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m$  we can define  $q^{(o)}$  and  $\mu^{(o)}$ .

**THEOREM 1.** If  $T$  is simultaneously of types  $[(q_j^{(o)}, \mu_j^{(o)}, q_j, \mu_j)]$  with constants  $K_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , then  $T$  is of type  $[(q^{(o)}, \mu^{(o)}), (q, \underline{\mu})]$  with constant  $\prod_{j=1}^m (K_j)^{i_j}$ .

The notation on this theorem is that of Stein and Weiss, [2], and the theorem is a multilinear analogue of their theorem 2.11. The proof in the case  $m = 2$  follows theirs and the general result is obtained by induction on  $m$ .

**THEOREM 2.** Let  $H^{(1)}, \dots, H^{(n)}$  be complex Hilbert spaces,  $A_p$  a positive semi-definite self-adjoint operator in  $H^{(p)}$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq n$ . Let  $F(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)})$  be a multilinear form in  $H^{(1)} \times \dots \times H^{(n)}$  such that

$$|F(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)})| \leq \|A_1 x^{(1)}\| \|x^{(2)}\| \dots \|x^{(n)}\|,$$

$$|F(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)})| \leq \|x^{(1)}\| \|A_2 x^{(2)}\| \dots \|x^{(n)}\|,$$

$$|F(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)})| \leq \|x^{(1)}\| \|x^{(2)}\| \dots \|A_n x^{(n)}\|.$$

Then if  $\gamma_p \geq 0$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq n$ , and  $\gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_n = 1$ , we have

$$|F(x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(n)})| \leq \|A_1^{\gamma_1} x^{(1)}\| \|A_2^{\gamma_2} x^{(2)}\| \dots \|A_n^{\gamma_n} x^{(n)}\|.$$

This result is due to Dixmier, [1]. It is sufficient to prove it in the finite dimensional case, (see [1]). Heinz' inequality is an immediate corollary. We prove it by recognizing it as a special case of Theorem 1. In fact the following specializations are seen to effect the reduction.

(a)  $m = n$

(b)  $M^{(0)} = \{1\}$ ,  $q_j^{(0)} = 1$ ,  $\mu_j^{(0)} = 1$  on each point of  $M^{(0)}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

(c) Choose an orthonormal basis  $\{e_\nu^{(p)}\}$  in each  $H^{(p)}$  such that

$$A_p e_\nu^{(p)} = \lambda_\nu^{(p)} e_\nu^{(p)}$$

Then if  $x^{(p)} = \sum_\nu \xi_\nu^{(p)} e_\nu^{(p)}$

we have

$$\|A_p^\tau x^{(p)}\| = \left\{ \sum_\nu |(\lambda_\nu^{(p)})^\tau \xi_\nu^{(p)}|^2 \right\}^{1/2}, \quad 0 \leq \tau \leq 1.$$

So take  $M^{(k)}$  to be the set of positive integers,  
 $k = 1, \dots, n$ . Let  $q_j^{(k)} = 2$ ,  $k, j = 1, \dots, n$  and if  $k \neq j$   
take a measure of one on each integer. If however  $k = j$  take  
a measure of  $(\lambda_\nu^{(k)})^2$  on the  $\nu$ th integer.

COROLLARY. Let  $H$  be a complex Hilbert space,  
 $A$  and  $B$  two self adjoint semi-definite operators in  $H$ ,  
 $Q$  a linear operator in  $H$  such that  $\|Qx\| < \|Bx\|$  and  
 $\|Q^*y\| \leq \|Ay\|$  for all  $x$  and  $y$  in  $H$ . Then, for all  
 $x$  and  $y$  in  $H$  and all  $\tau$ ,  $0 \leq \tau \leq 1$ ,

$$|\langle Qx, y \rangle| \leq \|B^P x\| \|A^{1-P} y\|.$$

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