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# PARAMETRIC OPERATOR FUNCTION VIA FURUTA INEQUALITY

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ABSTRACT. We give a result related to parametric operator function on two parameters via Furuta inequality, which is an extension of recent Kamei's result [11].

**1.** Introduction. In what follows, a capital letter means a bounded linear operator on a Hilbert space H. An operator T is said to be positive (denoted by  $T \ge 0$ ) if  $(Tx, x) \ge 0$  for all  $x \in H$ . Also an operator T is strictly positive (denoted by T > 0) if T is positive and invertible.  $\alpha$ -mean is defined by

$$A\sharp_{\alpha}B = A^{\frac{1}{2}} (A^{\frac{-1}{2}} B A^{\frac{-1}{2}})^{\alpha} A^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

for any  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  for positive operators A and B by [12]. Very recently, Professor E.Kamei [11] has obtained the following excellent results.

**Theorem A** [11]. If 
$$A \ge B \ge 0$$
 with  $A > 0$ , then for each  $t \le 0$  and  $p \ge \delta_2 \ge \delta_1 \ge 1$ ,  
 $(A^t \sharp_{\frac{\delta_2 - t}{2}} B^p)^{\frac{1}{\delta_2}} \ge (A^t \sharp_{\frac{\delta_1 - t}{2}} B^p)^{\frac{1}{\delta_1}}$ ,

that is, for each  $t \leq 0$ ,  $f(\delta) = (A^t \sharp_{\frac{\delta}{p-t}} B^p)^{\frac{1}{\delta}}$  is increasing for  $\delta$  such that  $p \geq \delta \geq 1$ .

**Theorem B** [11]. If  $A \ge B \ge 0$  with A > 0, then for each  $t \le 0$  and  $p \ge \delta \ge 1$ ,

$$A \ge B \ge (A^t \sharp_{\frac{\delta-t}{p-t}} B^p)^{\frac{1}{\delta}} \ge A^t \sharp_{\frac{1-t}{p-t}} B^p$$

2. Parametric operator function. Theorem A is related to an operator function on one parameter  $\delta$ , here we show Theorem 1 related to parametric operator function on two parameters r and s as an extension of Theorem A.

**Theorem 1.** If  $A \ge B \ge 0$  with A > 0, then for each  $t \le 0$  and  $p \ge 1$ ,

$$F_{p,t}(A,B,r,s) = A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{ A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}} \}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}}$$

is increasing for s such that  $1 \ge s \ge \frac{1-t}{p-t}$  and decreasing for r such that  $0 \ge r \ge t$ .

Corollary 2 can be considered as a precise estimation of Theorem B.

**Corollary 2.** If  $A \ge B \ge 0$  with A > 0, then for each  $t \le 0$  and  $p \ge 1$ ,

$$A \ge B \ge (A^t \sharp_s B^p)^{\frac{1}{(p-t)s+t}}$$
$$\ge A^{r-t} \sharp_{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} (A^t \sharp_s B^p) \ge A^t \sharp_{\frac{1-t}{p-t}} B^p$$

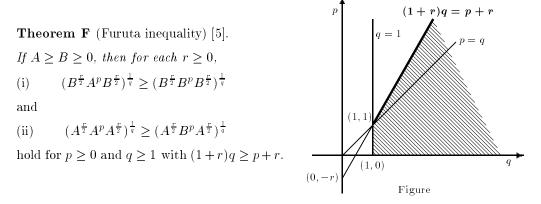
holds for  $0 \ge r \ge t$  and  $1 \ge s \ge \frac{1-t}{p-t}$ .

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**3.** Proofs of the results. We cite the following results to give a proof of Theorem 1.



Theorem F ensures the famous Löwner-Heinz inequality when we put r = 0 in (i) or (ii) of Theorem F;  $A \ge B \ge 0$  ensures  $A^{\alpha} \ge B^{\alpha}$  for any  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ . Alternative proofs of Theorem F are given [2][10] and one page proof is in [6]. It is shown in [13] that the domain drawn for  $p \ q$  and r in Fugure is the best possible one for (i) and (ii) of Theorem F.

**Lemma 1.**[9] Let A be invertible operator and let B be positive invertible operator. For any real number  $\lambda$ ,

$$(ABA^*)^{\lambda} = AB^{\frac{1}{2}}(B^{\frac{1}{2}}A^*AB^{\frac{1}{2}})^{\lambda-1}B^{\frac{1}{2}}A^*.$$

**Lemma 2.** [3][7][8] If  $A \ge B \ge 0$ , then for a fixed  $q \ge 0$  and  $t \le 0$ ,

$$F_q(p) = (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}}$$

is decreasing for  $p \ge q$ .

# Proof of Theorem 1.

- (a) Proof of the result that  $F_{p,t}(A, B, r, s)$  is increasing for s.
- $A \ge B \ge 0$  ensures the following (1) for  $p \ge q \ge 1$  and  $t \le 0$

(1) 
$$A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^{q}A^{\frac{-t}{2}} \ge \left(A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^{p}A^{\frac{-t}{2}}\right)^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}} \text{ by Lemma 2}$$

Multiplying  $A^{\frac{r}{2}}$  on both sides of (1), we have

(2) 
$$A^{\frac{r-t}{2}}B^{q}A^{\frac{r-t}{2}} \ge A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^{p}A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}}A^{\frac{r}{2}} \text{ for } 0 \ge r \ge t.$$

Then we have

(3) 
$$A^{1-t+r} \ge \left(A^{\frac{r-t}{2}}B^{q}A^{\frac{r-t}{2}}\right)^{\frac{1-t+r}{q-t+r}} \\ \ge \left\{A^{\frac{r}{2}}\left(A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^{p}A^{\frac{-t}{2}}\right)^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}}A^{\frac{r}{2}}\right\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{q-t+r}} \quad \text{for } 0 \ge r \ge t,$$

and the first inequality follows by Furuta inequality and the second one follows by applying Löwner-Heinz inequality to (2). In (3) put  $A_1 = A^{1-t+r}$  and

 $B_1 = \{A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}} A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{q-t+r}}.$  Then  $A_1 \ge B_1 \ge 0$  with  $A_1 > 0$ , so that repeating (3) again for  $p_1 \ge q_1 \ge 1$ , we have

(4)  $A_1^{1-t_1+r_1} \ge (A_1^{\frac{r_1-t_1}{2}} B_1^{q_1} A_1^{\frac{r_1-t_1}{2}})^{\frac{1-t_1+r_1}{q_1-t_1+r_1}}$ 

$$\geq \{A_1^{\frac{r_1}{2}}(A_1^{\frac{-t_1}{2}}B_1^{p_1}A_1^{\frac{-t_1}{2}})^{\frac{q_1-t_1}{p_1-t_1}}A_1^{\frac{r_1}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t_1+r_1}{q_1-t_1+r_1}}$$

holds for any  $0 \ge r_1 \ge t_1$ . In (4), put

$$p_1 = \frac{q-t+r}{1-t+r},$$
  $q_1 = \frac{q'-t+r}{1-t+r}$ 

for  $p \ge q \ge q' \ge 1$ . Then  $p_1 \ge q_1 \ge 1$ . Also put  $r_1 = t_1 = \frac{r}{1 - t + r} \le 0$ . Then  $A_{\frac{r_1}{2}} = A_{\frac{r_1}{2}}^{\frac{r_1}{2}} = A_{\frac{r_2}{2}}^{\frac{r_1}{2}} = \frac{q_1 - t_1}{q_1 - t_1} = \frac{q' - t}{q_1 - t_1}$ 

$$A_{1}^{\frac{r_{1}}{2}} = A_{1}^{\frac{t_{1}}{2}} = A^{\frac{r}{2}}, \qquad \begin{array}{c} 1 & 1 & 1 & -t+r \\ \frac{q_{1}-t_{1}}{p_{1}-t_{1}} = \frac{q'-t}{q-t} \\ B_{1}^{p_{1}} = A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^{p} A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}} A^{\frac{r}{2}}. \end{array}$$

Therefore (4) implies

$$A_{1} \geq B_{1}$$

$$\geq \left\{ A^{\frac{r}{2}} \left[ A^{\frac{-r}{2}} A^{\frac{r}{2}} \left( A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^{p} A^{\frac{-t}{2}} \right)^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}} A^{\frac{r}{2}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \right]^{\frac{q'-t}{q-t}} A^{\frac{r}{2}} \right\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{q'-t+r}}$$

that is,

and

(5) 
$$A^{1-t+r} \\ \geq \{A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^{p} A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{q-t}{p-t}} A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{q-t+r}}, \\ \geq \{A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^{p} A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{q'-t}{p-t}} A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{q'-t+r}}$$

for  $p \ge q \ge q' \ge 1$  and  $0 \ge r \ge t$ . Replacing  $s = \frac{q-t}{p-t}$  and  $s' = \frac{q'-t}{p-t}$  in (5), then  $1 \ge s \ge s' \ge \frac{1-t}{p-t}$  since  $p \ge q \ge q' \ge 1$ , so the proof of (a) is complete by (5).

(b) Proof of the result that  $F_{p,t}(A, B, r, s)$  is decreasing for r. We recall the following (6) by (3) and Löwner-Heinz theorem

(6) 
$$A^{u} \ge \{A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^{p} A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{s} A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{u}{(p-t)s+r}} \quad \text{for } 1-t+r \ge u \ge 0$$

Put  $D = (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{s}{2}}$ . Then

$$\begin{split} F_{p,t}(A,B,r,s) &= A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{ A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}} \}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \\ &= D (DA^r D)^{\frac{1-t-(p-t)s}{(p-t)s+r}} D \quad \text{by Lemma 1} \\ &= D \{ (DA^r D)^{\frac{(p-t)s+r+u}{(p-t)s+r}} \}^{\frac{1-t-(p-t)s}{(p-t)s+r+u}} D \\ &= D \{ DA^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{r}{2}} D^2 A^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{u}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{r}{2}} D \}^{\frac{1-t-(p-t)s}{(p-t)s+r+u}} D \quad \text{by Lemma 1} \\ &\geq D (DA^{\frac{r}{2}} A^u A^{\frac{r}{2}} D)^{\frac{1-t-(p-t)s}{(p-t)s+r+u}} D \\ &= D (DA^{r+u} D)^{\frac{1-t-(p-t)s}{(p-t)s+r+u}} D \\ &= F_{p,t}(A,B,r+u,s), \end{split}$$

and the last inequality follows by (6) and Löwner-Heinz theorem since  $\frac{1-t-(p-t)s}{(p-t)s+r+u} \in [-1,0]$ and finally taking inverses on both sides, so the proof of (b) is complete.

Whence the proof of theorem 1 is complete.

**Proof of Corollary 2.** Theorem 1 asserts that the following interpolation result. If  $A \ge B \ge 0$  with A > 0, then for each  $t \le 0$  and  $p \ge 1$ ,

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$$F_{p,t}(A,B,t,1) \geq F_{p,t}(A,B,t,s) \geq F_{p,t}(A,B,r,s) \geq F_{p,t}(A,B,r,\frac{1-t}{p-t})$$

holds for  $0 \ge r \ge t$  and  $1 \ge \frac{1-t}{p-t}$ , that is,

$$\begin{aligned} A^{\frac{-t}{2}}BA^{\frac{-t}{2}} \\ &\geq A^{\frac{-t}{2}}\{A^{\frac{t}{2}}(A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^{p}A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{s}A^{\frac{t}{2}}\}^{\frac{1}{(p-t)s+t}}A^{\frac{-t}{2}} \\ &\geq A^{\frac{-r}{2}}\{A^{\frac{r}{2}}(A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^{p}A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{s}A^{\frac{r}{2}}\}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}}A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \\ &\geq (A^{\frac{-t}{2}}B^{p}A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^{\frac{1-t}{p-t}} \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying  $A^{\frac{t}{2}}$  on both sides of the inequalities stated above, we have Corollary 2.

**Proof of Theorem A.** In Theorem 1, put  $s = \frac{\delta - t}{p - t}$  for  $p \ge \delta \ge 1$  and r = t. Then we have Theorem A.

**Proof of Theorem B.** We have only to put  $s = \frac{\delta - t}{p - t}$  for  $p \ge \delta \ge 1$  and r = t in Corollary 2.

4. Concluding remark. We established the following Theorem G [9] which interpolates Theorem F and the inequality equivalent to the main result of log majorization by Ando-Hiai [1] and an alternative mean theoretic proof of Theorem G is given in [4].

**Theorem G.** [4][9] If  $A \ge B \ge 0$  with A > 0, then for each  $t \in [0,1]$  and  $p \ge 1$ ,

$$G_{p,t}(A, B, r, s) = A^{\frac{-r}{2}} \{ A^{\frac{r}{2}} (A^{\frac{-t}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{-t}{2}})^s A^{\frac{r}{2}} \}^{\frac{1-t+r}{(p-t)s+r}} A^{\frac{-r}{2}}$$

is decreasing for both r and s such that  $r \ge t$  and  $s \ge 1$ ...

**Remark 1**. It is interesting to point out that our Theorem 1 is parallel result to Theorem G, that is,  $F_{p,t}(A, B, r, s)$  in Theorem 1 is the same form as  $G_{p,t}(A, B, r, s)$  in Theorem G and the differences between these two operator functions are nothing but the differences of the ranges of the parameters t, r and s, that is, the range of the former is

(f) 
$$t \le 0, p \ge 1, 1 \ge s \ge \frac{1-t}{p-t}$$
 and  $0 \ge r \ge t$ 

one of the latter is

(g)  $t \in [0, 1], p \ge 1, s \ge 1 \text{ and } r \ge t.$ 

We would like to emphasize that the two operator functions  $F_{p,t}(A, B, r, s)$  in Theorem 1 and  $G_{p,t}(A, B, r, s)$  in Theorem G are very important forms in order to research several problems associated with operator functions.

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