

# On some classes of operators by Fujii and Nakamoto related to $p$ -hyponormal and paranormal operators

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## Abstract

Recently, we introduced class A as a new class of operators in [18]. Class A is defined by an operator inequality, and also the definition of class A is similar to that of paranormality defined by a norm inequality. We showed that every log-hyponormal operator belongs to class A and every class A operator is paranormal in [18]. As generalizations of class A and paranormality, class  $A(p, r)$  was introduced in [11] and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality was introduced in [30]. Moreover, Fujii-Nakamoto [12] introduced class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality which are further generalizations of these classes.

In this report, we shall show some inclusion relations among the families of class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality, and we shall show the result on powers of class  $F(p, r, q)$  operators.

## 1 Introduction

In this report, a capital letter means a bounded linear operator on a complex Hilbert space  $H$ . An operator  $T$  is said to be positive (denoted by  $T \geq 0$ ) if  $(Tx, x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in H$ , and also an operator  $T$  is said to be strictly positive (denoted by  $T > 0$ ) if  $T$  is positive and invertible.

As extensions of hyponormal operators, i.e.,  $T^*T \geq TT^*$ ,  $p$ -hyponormal operators for  $p > 0$  defined by  $(T^*T)^p \geq (TT^*)^p$  and log-hyponormal operators defined by  $\log T^*T \geq \log TT^*$  for an invertible operator  $T$  are well known. And also an operator  $T$  is  $p$ -quasihyponormal for  $p > 0$  if  $T$  is  $p$ -hyponormal on  $\overline{R(T)}$ . It is easily obtained that every  $p$ -hyponormal operator is  $q$ -hyponormal for  $p > q > 0$  by Löwner-Heinz theorem “ $A \geq B \geq 0$  ensures  $A^\alpha \geq B^\alpha$  for any  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ ,” and every invertible  $p$ -hyponormal operator for  $p > 0$  is log-hyponormal since  $\log t$  is an operator monotone function. We remark that log-hyponormality is sometimes regarded as 0-hyponormality since  $\frac{X^p - I}{p} \rightarrow \log X$  as  $p \rightarrow +0$  for  $X > 0$ .

An operator  $T$  is paranormal if  $\|T^2x\| \geq \|Tx\|^2$  for every unit vector  $x \in H$ . It has been studied by many authors, so there are too many to cite their references, for instance, [3][13][17] and [21]. Ando [3] showed that *every  $p$ -hyponormal operator for  $p > 0$  and log-hyponormal operator is paranormal*.

Recently, in [18], we introduced class A defined by  $|T^2| \geq |T|^2$  where  $|T| = (T^*T)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ , and we showed that every log-hyponormal operator belongs to class A and every class A operator is paranormal. It turns out that these results contain another proof of Ando's result stated above. We remark that class A is defined by an operator inequality and paranormality is defined by a norm inequality, and their definitions appear to be similar forms.

And also we introduced two families of classes of operators based on class A and paranormality in [18] as follows: An operator  $T$  belongs to class  $A(k)$  for  $k > 0$  if  $(T^*|T|^{2k}T)^{\frac{1}{k+1}} \geq |T|^2$ , and also an operator  $T$  is absolute- $k$ -paranormal for  $k > 0$  if  $\| |T|^kTx \| \geq \|Tx\|^{k+1}$  for every unit vector  $x \in H$ . Particularly an operator  $T$  is a class A (resp. paranormal) operator if and only if  $T$  is a class A(1) (resp. absolute-1-paranormal) operator. It was shown in [18] that the classes of invertible class  $A(k)$  operators and absolute- $k$ -paranormal operators constitute parallel and increasing lines, that is, invertible class  $A(k) \subseteq$  invertible class  $A(l)$  and absolute- $k$ -paranormal  $\subseteq$  absolute- $l$ -paranormal for  $0 < k \leq l$ .

On the other hand, Fujii-Izumino-Nakamoto [7] introduced  $p$ -paranormality for  $p > 0$  defined by  $\| |T|^pU|T|^px \| \geq \| |T|^px \|^2$  for every unit vector  $x \in H$ , where  $T = U|T|$  is the polar decomposition of  $T$ . We remark that 1-paranormality equals paranormality. As generalizations of class  $A(k)$ , absolute- $k$ -paranormality and  $p$ -paranormality, Fujii-Jung-S.H.Lee-M.Y.Lee-Nakamoto [11] introduced class  $A(p, r)$  and Yamazaki-Yanagida [30] introduced absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality as follows:

**Definition.**

- (1) For each  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ , an operator  $T$  belongs to class  $A(p, r)$  if

$$(|T^*|^r|T|^{2p}|T^*|^r)^{\frac{r}{p+r}} \geq |T^*|^{2r},$$

and let class  $AI(p, r)$  be the class of all invertible class  $A(p, r)$  operators.

- (2) For each  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ , an operator  $T$  is absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormal if

$$\| |T|^p|T^*|^rx \| \geq \| |T^*|^rx \|^p \tag{1.1}$$

for every unit vector  $x \in H$ .

It was pointed out that class  $A(k, 1)$  equals class  $A(k)$  in [28]. And also, in [30], it was shown that absolute- $(k, 1)$ -paranormality equals absolute- $k$ -paranormality and absolute- $(p, p)$ -paranormality equals  $p$ -paranormality. Moreover class  $AI(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  equals the class

of invertible and  $w$ -hyponormal operators ( $|\tilde{T}| \geq |T| \geq |(\tilde{T})^*|$  where  $T = U|T|$  is the polar decomposition of  $T$  and  $\tilde{T} = |T|^{\frac{1}{2}}U|T|^{\frac{1}{2}}$ ) introduced by Aluthge-Wang [2]. We should remark that the families of class  $\text{AI}(p, r)$  determined by operator inequalities and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality determined by norm inequalities constitute two increasing lines on  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$  whose origin is log-hyponormality (see section 2).

Moreover, as a continuation of the discussion in [11], Fujii-Nakamoto [12] introduced the following classes of operators.

**Definition.**

(1) For each  $p > 0$ ,  $r \geq 0$  and  $q \geq 1$ , an operator  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p, r, q)$  if

$$(|T^*|^r |T|^{2p} |T^*|^r)^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq |T^*|^{\frac{2(p+r)}{q}}. \quad (1.2)$$

(2) For each  $p > 0$ ,  $r \geq 0$  and  $q > 0$ , an operator  $T$  is  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormal if

$$\| |T|^p U |T|^r x \|^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq \| |T|^{\frac{p+r}{q}} x \| \quad (1.3)$$

for every unit vector  $x \in H$ , where  $T = U|T|$  is the polar decomposition of  $T$ .

We remark that class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{r})$  equals class  $A(p, r)$ , and we obtain that  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{r})$ -paranormality equals absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality in the next section. Thus many researchers have been discussed parallel families of classes of operators which are generalizations of class  $A$  and paranormality.

In this report, firstly, we obtain more precise inclusion relations among the families of class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality from the view of monotonicity of class  $A(p, r)$  and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality. Secondly, we give a characterization of log-hyponormal operators via class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality. Lastly, we obtain the result on powers of class  $F(p, r, q)$  operators.

## 2 Background and preliminaries

Firstly, we obtain another expression of  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality without using  $U$  which appears in the polar decomposition of  $T$ , and it causes that  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{r})$ -paranormality equals absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality.

**Proposition 1.** For each  $p > 0$ ,  $r > 0$  and  $q \geq 1$ , an operator  $T$  is  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormal if and only if

$$\| |T|^p |T^*|^r x \|^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq \| |T^*|^{\frac{p+r}{q}} x \| \quad (2.1)$$

for every unit vector  $x \in H$ .

**Corollary 2.** For each  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ ,  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{r})$ -paranormality equals absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality.

Next, to explain the background of the classes of operators discussed in this paper, we have to state the following celebrated order preserving operator inequality.

**Theorem F (Furuta inequality [14]).**

If  $A \geq B \geq 0$ , then for each  $r \geq 0$ ,

$$(i) \quad (B^{\frac{r}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq (B^{\frac{r}{2}} B^p B^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

and

$$(ii) \quad (A^{\frac{r}{2}} A^p A^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1}{q}} \geq (A^{\frac{r}{2}} B^p A^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

hold for  $p \geq 0$  and  $q \geq 1$  with  $(1+r)q \geq p+r$ .

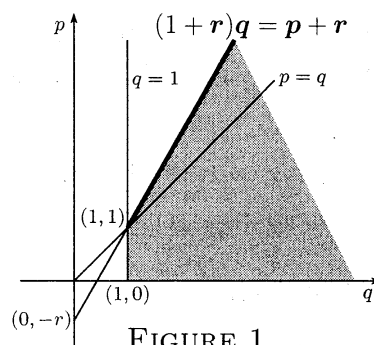


FIGURE 1

We remark that Theorem F yields Löwner-Heinz theorem when we put  $r = 0$  in (i) or (ii) stated above. Alternative proofs of Theorem F were given in [5] and [24] and also an elementary one page proof in [15]. It was shown in [25] that the domain drawn for  $p, q$  and  $r$  in the Figure 1 is the best possible one for Theorem F.

Fujii-Nakamoto [12] observed that class  $F(p, r, q)$  derives from Theorem F and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality corresponds to class  $F(p, r, q)$ , and also they showed the following Theorem A.1.

**Theorem A.1 ([12]).**

- (i) For a fixed  $k > 0$ ,  $T$  is  $k$ -hyponormal if and only if  $T$  belongs to class  $F(2kp, 2kr, q)$  for all  $p > 0$ ,  $r \geq 0$  and  $q \geq 1$  with  $(1+2r)q \geq 2(p+r)$ , i.e.,  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p, r, q)$  for all  $p > 0$ ,  $r \geq 0$  and  $q \geq 1$  with  $(k+r)q \geq p+r$ .
- (ii) If  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p_0, r_0, q_0)$  for  $p_0 > 0$ ,  $r_0 \geq 0$  and  $q_0 \geq 1$ , then  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p_0, r, q_0)$  for any  $r \geq r_0$ .
- (iii) If  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p_0, r_0, q_0)$  for  $p_0 > 0$ ,  $r_0 \geq 0$  and  $q_0 \geq 1$ , then  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p_0, r_0, q)$  for any  $q \geq q_0$ .
- (iv) If  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p, r, q)$  for  $p > 0$ ,  $r \geq 0$  and  $q \geq 1$ , then  $T$  is  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormal.
- (v) If  $T$  is  $(p_0, r_0, q_0)$ -paranormal for  $p_0 > 0$ ,  $r_0 \geq 0$  and  $q_0 > 0$ , then  $T$  is  $(p_0, r_0, q)$ -paranormal for any  $q \geq q_0$ .

- (vi) If  $T$  is  $(p_0, r_0, 1)$ -paranormal for  $p_0 > 0$  and  $r_0 \geq 0$ , then  $T$  is  $(p_0, r, 1)$ -paranormal for any  $r \geq r_0$ .
- (vii) If  $T$  is  $(p, r, 1)$ -paranormal for  $p > 0$  and  $r \geq 0$ , then  $T$  is  $\max\{p, r\}$ -paranormal.

On the other hand, chaotic order is defined by  $\log A \geq \log B$  for positive and invertible operators  $A$  and  $B$ . Chaotic order is weaker than usual order  $A \geq B$  since  $\log t$  is an operator monotone function. As a characterization of chaotic order, the following Theorem B.1 was obtained by using Theorem F.

**Theorem B.1** ([6][8][16][26]). *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be positive invertible operators. Then the following properties are mutually equivalent:*

- (i)  $\log A \geq \log B$ .
- (ii)  $(B^{\frac{p}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{p}{2}})^{\frac{1}{2}} \geq B^p$  for all  $p \geq 0$ .
- (iii)  $(B^{\frac{r}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{r}{p+r}} \geq B^r$  for all  $p \geq 0$  and  $r \geq 0$ .

We remark that the equivalence between (i) and (ii) was shown in [4].

Noting that class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{r})$  equals class  $A(p, r)$ , we can verify that class  $A(p, r)$  derives from Theorem B.1. On class  $A(p, r)$  and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality, the following Theorem A.2 and Theorem A.3 were shown in [11] and [30], respectively. We remark that Figure 2 expresses the inclusion relations shown in Theorem A.2 and Theorem A.3.

**Theorem A.2** ([11]).

- (i)  $T$  is log-hyponormal if and only if  $T$  belongs to class  $AI(p, r)$  for all  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ .
- (ii) If  $T$  belongs to class  $AI(p_0, r_0)$  for  $p_0 > 0$  and  $r_0 > 0$ , then  $T$  belongs to class  $AI(p, r)$  for any  $p \geq p_0$  and  $r \geq r_0$ .
- (iii) If  $T$  belongs to class  $A(p_0, r_0)$  for  $p_0 > 0$  and  $r_0 > 0$ , then  $T$  belongs to class  $A(p_0, r)$  for any  $r \geq r_0$ .

**Theorem A.3** ([30]).

- (i)  $T$  is log-hyponormal if and only if  $T$  is invertible and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormal for all  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ .

- (ii) If  $T$  is absolute- $(p_0, r_0)$ -paranormal for  $p_0 > 0$  and  $r_0 > 0$ , then  $T$  is absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormal for any  $p \geq p_0$  and  $r \geq r_0$ .
- (iii) If  $T$  belongs to class  $A(p, r)$  for  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ , then  $T$  is absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormal.
- (iv) If  $T$  is absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormal for  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ , then  $T$  is normaloid, i.e.,  $\|T\| = r(T)$  where  $r(T)$  is the spectral radius of  $T$ .

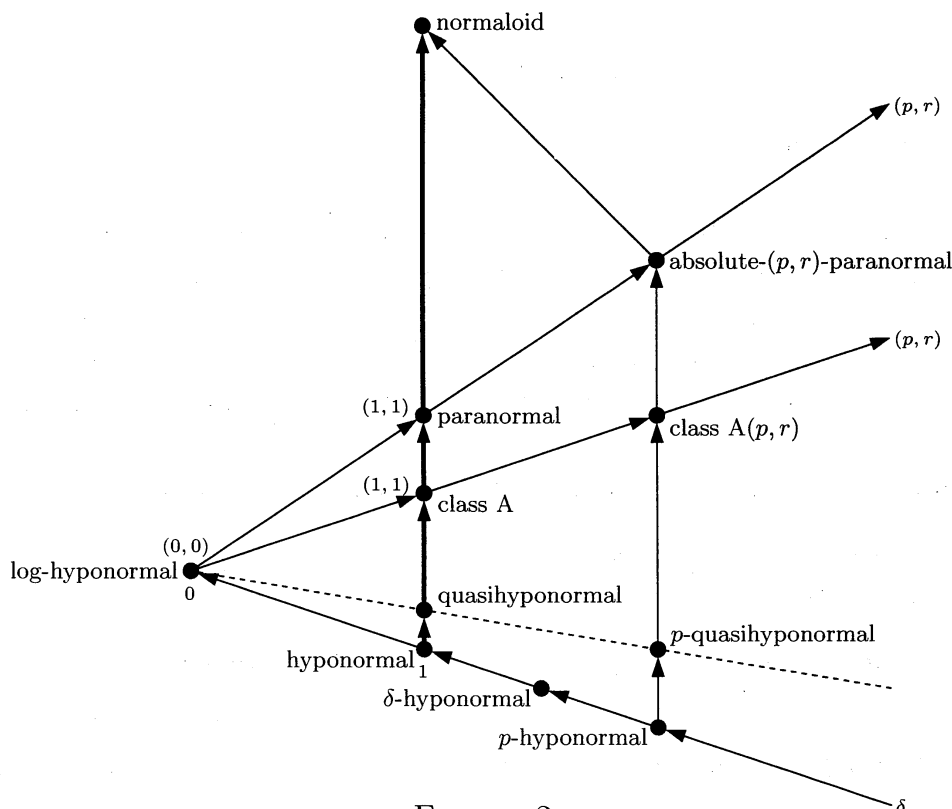


FIGURE 2

Theorem A.2 and Theorem A.3 state that the families of class  $AI(p, r)$  determined by operator inequalities and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality determined by norm inequalities have monotonicity on  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ , and log-hyponormality regarded as class  $AI(0, 0)$  or absolute- $(0, 0)$ -paranormality, namely they constitute two increasing lines whose origin is log-hyponormality.

### 3 Inclusion relations

In this section, we discuss monotonicity of class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality.

In section 2, we verified that class  $A(p, r)$  derives from Theorem B.1, and also we explained that Theorem A.2 and Theorem A.3 state that the families of class  $AI(p, r)$  and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality constitute two increasing lines on  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$  whose origin is log-hyponormality.

On the other hand, as a parallel result to Theorem B.1, Theorem F also leads to the following Theorem B.2.

**Theorem B.2** ([9][10]). *For positive operators  $A$  and  $B$ ,  $A^\delta \geq B^\delta$  for a fixed  $\delta > 0$  if and only if*

$$(B^{\frac{r}{2}} A^p B^{\frac{r}{2}})^{\frac{\delta+r}{p+r}} \geq B^{\delta+r}$$

*holds for all  $p \geq \delta$  and  $r \geq 0$ .*

Considering these matters, it seems natural that we rewrite class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality by class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$  and  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$ -paranormality when we discuss monotonicity of class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality on  $p$  and  $r$ . In fact, we obtain the following results on monotonicity of class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$  and  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$ -paranormality. And also the following Figure 3 represents the inclusion relations shown in this section.

**Proposition 3.** *The following assertions hold for each  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ :*

- (i)  *$T$  is  $p$ -quasihyponormal if and only if  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p, r, 1)$  if and only if  $T$  is  $(p, r, 1)$ -paranormal.*
- (ii)  *$T$  is  $p$ -quasihyponormal if and only if  $T$  is  $(p, 0, 1)$ -paranormal.*

**Theorem 4.** *Let  $T$  be a class  $F(p_0, r_0, \frac{p_0+r_0}{\delta+r_0})$  operator for  $p_0 > 0$ ,  $r_0 \geq 0$  and  $-r_0 < \delta \leq p_0$ . Then the following assertions hold:*

- (i)  *$T$  belongs to class  $F(p_0, r, \frac{p_0+r}{\delta+r})$  for any  $r \geq r_0$ .*
- (ii) *If  $T$  is invertible and  $0 \leq \delta \leq p_0$ , then  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$  for any  $p \geq p_0$  and  $r \geq r_0$ .*

**Theorem 5.** *Let  $T$  be a  $(p_0, r_0, \frac{p_0+r_0}{\delta+r_0})$ -paranormal operator for  $p_0 > 0$ ,  $r_0 \geq 0$  and  $\delta > -r_0$ . Then the following assertions hold:*

- (i) *If  $-r_0 < \delta \leq p_0$ , then  $T$  is  $(p_0, r, \frac{p_0+r}{\delta+r})$ -paranormal for any  $r \geq r_0$ .*
- (ii) *If  $0 \leq \delta$ , then  $T$  is  $(p, r_0, \frac{p+r_0}{\delta+r_0})$ -paranormal for any  $p \geq p_0$ .*
- (iii) *If  $0 \leq \delta \leq p_0$ , then  $T$  is  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$ -paranormal for any  $p \geq p_0$  and  $r \geq r_0$ .*

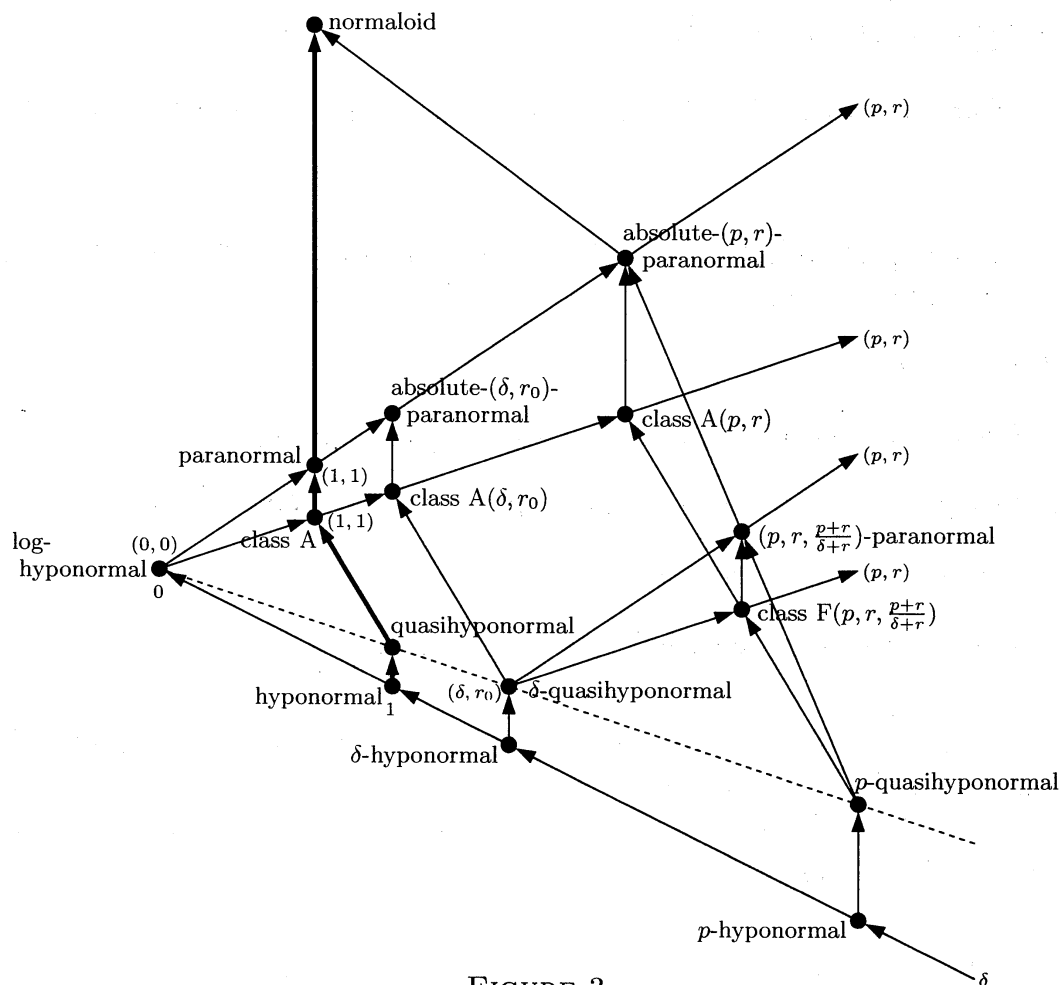


FIGURE 3

Proposition 3, Theorem 4 and Theorem 5 assert that invertible class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$  and  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$ -paranormality for  $\delta > 0$  constitute two increasing lines for  $p \geq \delta > 0$  and  $r \geq r_0 > 0$  which have  $\delta$ -quasihyponormality as the origin since  $\delta$ -quasihyponormality equals class  $F(\delta, r_0, 1)$  or  $(\delta, r_0, 1)$ -paranormality. And also, in case  $\delta = 0$ , (i) and (ii) of Theorem 4 means (iii) and (ii) of Theorem A.2, respectively, and Theorem 5 means (ii) of Theorem A.3. Therefore monotonicity of invertible class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$  and  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{\delta+r})$ -paranormality for  $\delta > 0$  is parallel to monotonicity of class  $AI(p, r)$  and absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormality since invertible  $\delta$ -quasihyponormality (i.e.,  $\delta$ -hyponormality) approaches log-hyponormality as  $\delta \rightarrow +0$ .

**Remark.** We remark that Proposition 1 does not hold for  $r = 0$  and  $q = 1$  since (2.1) holds for  $p > 0$ ,  $r = 0$  and  $q = 1$ , i.e.,  $\| |T|^p x \| \geq \| |T^*|^p x \|$  for every unit vector  $x \in H$  if and only if  $T$  is  $p$ -hyponormal, but  $T$  is  $(p, 0, 1)$ -paranormal for  $p > 0$  if and only if  $T$  is  $p$ -quasihyponormal by (ii) of Proposition 3.



## 4 Log-hyponormality

As a characterization of log-hyponormal operators, the following Theorem D.1 was obtained.

**Theorem D.1** ([11][29][30]). *Let  $T$  be an invertible operator. Then the following assertions are mutually equivalent:*

- (i)  $T$  is log-hyponormal.
- (ii)  $T$  belongs to class  $A(p, p)$ , i.e., class  $AI(p, p)$  for all  $p > 0$ .
- (iii)  $T$  belongs to class  $A(p, r)$ , i.e., class  $AI(p, r)$  for all  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ .
- (iv)  $T$  is  $p$ -paranormal for all  $p > 0$ .
- (v)  $T$  is absolute- $(p, r)$ -paranormal for all  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ .

(i) $\Leftrightarrow$ (ii) $\Leftrightarrow$ (iii) was obtained in [11], and also (i) $\Leftrightarrow$ (iv) and (i) $\Leftrightarrow$ (iv) $\Leftrightarrow$ (v) were obtained in [29] and [30], respectively.

As an extension of Theorem D.1 via class  $F(p, r, q)$  and  $(p, r, q)$ -paranormality, we have the following Theorem 6.

**Theorem 6.** *Let  $T$  be an invertible operator. Then the following assertions are mutually equivalent for any fixed  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ :*

- (i)  $T$  is log-hyponormal.
- (ii)  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p, p, \frac{2}{\alpha})$  for all  $p > 0$ .
- (iii)  $T$  belongs to class  $F(p, r, \frac{p+r}{r\alpha})$  for all  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ .
- (iv)  $T$  is  $(p, p, \frac{2}{\alpha})$ -paranormal for all  $p > 0$ .
- (v)  $T$  is  $(p, r, \frac{p+r}{r\alpha})$ -paranormal for all  $p > 0$  and  $r > 0$ .

We remark that Theorem 6 ensures Theorem D.1 by putting  $\alpha = 1$ .

## 5 Powers of class $F(p, r, q)$ operators

On powers of  $p$ -hyponormal and log-hyponormal operators, Aluthge-Wang [1] and Yamazaki [27] showed the following results (see also [19][20][23]).

**Theorem E.1 ([1]).** *Let  $T$  be a  $p$ -hyponormal operator for  $0 < p \leq 1$ . Then  $T^n$  is  $\frac{p}{n}$ -hyponormal for all positive integer  $n$ .*

**Theorem E.2 ([27]).** *Let  $T$  be a log-hyponormal operator. Then  $T^n$  is also log-hyponormal for all positive integer  $n$ .*

On the other hand, on powers of class  $A(p, r)$  operators, Yamazaki [28] showed the following Theorem E.3 (see also [22]).

**Theorem E.3 ([28]).** *Let  $T$  be a class  $AI(p, r)$  operator for  $0 < p \leq 1$  and  $0 < r \leq 1$ . Then  $T^n$  belongs to class  $AI(\frac{p}{n}, \frac{r}{n})$  for all positive integer  $n$ .*

In this section, we obtain the following result on powers of class  $F(p, r, q)$  operators.

**Theorem 7.** *Let  $T$  be an invertible class  $F(p, r, q)$  operator for  $0 < p \leq 1$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq 1$  and  $q \geq 1$  with  $rq \leq p + r$ . Then  $T^n$  belongs to class  $F(\frac{p}{n}, \frac{r}{n}, q)$  for all positive integer  $n$ .*

Theorem 7 interpolates Theorem E.1 and Theorem E.3 in case  $T$  is invertible. In fact, Theorem 7 yields Theorem E.1 by putting  $q = 1$  and  $r = 0$ , and also Theorem 7 yields Theorem E.3 by putting  $q = \frac{p+r}{r}$ .

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