# APPLICATIONS OF THE SOLUTIONS OF TWO ABSTRACT MOMENT PROBLEMS TO THE CLASSICAL MOMENT PROBLEM

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**Abstract.** We apply Theorems 1 and 4 [12] to some classical moment problems in spaces of analytic or real-differentiable functions, considered as real ordered normed vector spaces. Our solutions are operator-valued and satisfy some natural sandwich-type conditions. The present work is related to the papers [6], [10], [12], [13], [14], [16], [17].

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#### 1. GENERAL-TYPE KNOWN RESULTS ON THE ABSTRACT MOMENT PROBLEM

THEOREM 1. (Theorem 4 [12] or Theorem 2.1 [13]). Let V be a preordered vector space, let Y be an order-complete vector lattice,  $\{v_j; j \in J\} \subset V$ ,  $\{y_j; j \in J\} \subset Y$ ,  $F, G \in L(V, Y)$  two linear operators. Consider the following assertions:

(a) there exists  $H \in L(V, Y)$  such that

$$H(v_j) = y_j, \quad j \in J;$$

$$G(\varphi) \le H(\varphi) \le F(\varphi) \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+;$$

(b) for any finite subset  $J_1 \subset J$  and any  $\{\alpha_j; j \in J_1\} \subset \mathbf{R}$ , the implication

(1) 
$$\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j = \varphi_2 - \varphi_1 \text{ with } \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in V_+ \Rightarrow \sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j y_j \leq F(\varphi_2) - G(\varphi_1)$$

holds.

If V is a vector lattice, we also consider the assertion

(b')  $G(\varphi) \leq F(\varphi) \ \forall \varphi \in V_+$ , and for any finite subset  $J_1 \subset J$  and any  $\{\alpha_j; j \in J_1\} \subset \mathbf{R}$ , we have

(1') 
$$\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j \le F\left(\left(\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j\right)^+\right) - G\left(\left(\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j\right)^-\right)$$

(where  $v^+ := \sup\{v, 0\}, v^- := \sup\{-v, 0\}, v = v^+ - v^-, |v| = v^+ + v^-, \forall v \in V$ ). Then (a)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (b) holds and, if V is a vector lattice, we have (b')  $\Leftrightarrow$  (b)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (a).

This theorem was published for the first time in [12], without proof. Its proof may be found in [13]. For some of its applications see [10], [13], [14], [17], [18]. Theorem 1 may be considered as a generalization of a result of M.G. Krein [6] (see also [13]).

Now we recall another abstract moment problem, in which the solution H is nonnegative.

THEOREM 2. Let V, Y,  $\{v_j; j \in J\}$ ,  $\{y_j; j \in J\}$  be as in Theorem 1. Let  $P: V \to Y$  be a convex operator. The following assertions are equivalent: (a) there exists  $H \in L(V, Y)$  such that

$$H(v_j) = y_j, \quad j \in J,$$
  

$$H(\varphi) \ge 0, \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+,$$
  

$$H(v) \le P(v), \quad \forall v \in V;$$

(b) for any finite subset  $J_1 \subset J$  and any  $\{\alpha_j; j \in J_1\} \subset \mathbf{R}$  we have

$$\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j \le v \in V \Rightarrow \sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j y_j \le P(v) \text{ in } Y.$$

Theorem 2 was published for the first time in [12], without proof. Its proof can be found in [14]. For some of its applications see [10], [12], [14], [15], [16], [17].

## 2. APPLICATIONS TO THE CLASSICAL MOMENT PROBLEM

For the first applications stated below, V will be the space of all functions v which can be represented as an absolutely convergent power series

$$v(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j z^j, \quad a_j \in \mathbf{R}$$

in the open disc |z| < b, v being assumed to be continuous in the closed disc  $|z| \le b$ . Endowed with the order relation defined by the convex cone

$$V_{+} := \left\{ v \in V; \ v(z) = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} a_{j} z^{j}, \ |z| < b, \ a_{j} \ge 0 \ \forall j \in \mathbf{N} \right\},\$$

V is a real ordered vector space. On V we consider the norm

$$||v|| := \sup_{|z| \le b} |v(z)|, \quad v \in V.$$

On the other hand, let E be an arbitrary Hilbert space, and  $U_0 \in \mathcal{A}(E)$ , where  $\mathcal{A}(E)$  is the real vector space of all self-adjoint (linear bounded) operators acting on E. Denote

$$\mathcal{A}_1 := \{ U \in \mathcal{A}(E); \ U_0 U = U U_0 \}, Y := \{ U \in \mathcal{A}_1; \ U V = V U \quad \forall V \in \mathcal{A}_1 \},$$

and

$$Y_+ := \{ U \in Y; \ \langle U(h), h \rangle \ge 0 \quad \forall h \in E \}.$$

It is well known that Y is an order-complete vector lattice, and a commutative algebra of operators (see [4], pp. 303-305).

Now we can state the first application of Theorem 1.

THEOREM 3. Let  $V, Y, U_0$  be as above. Denote  $v_j(z) := z^j$ ,  $|z| \le b$ ,  $j \in \mathbf{N}$ . Assume that b > 1 and let  $A \in Y$  be such that ||A|| < b. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\{B_j\}_{j \in \mathbf{N}} \subset Y$ .

The following assertions are equivalent:

(a) there exists a linear operator  $H \in L(V, Y)$  such that

$$H(v_j) = B_j, \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N};$$

(2) 
$$\varphi(A) - \varepsilon \varphi(I) \le H(\varphi) \le \varphi(A) + \varepsilon \varphi(I) \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+ ,$$

3) 
$$||H(\varphi)|| \le 2[||\varphi|| + \varepsilon \varphi(1)] \quad \forall \varphi \in V_{-}$$

(b) we have

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$$A^j - \varepsilon I \le B_j \le A^j + \varepsilon I, \quad j \in \mathbf{N}.$$

*Proof.* (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) is almost obvious, since (a) implies

$$B_j = H(v_j) \stackrel{(2)}{\in} [v_j(A) - \varepsilon v_j(I), v_j(A) + \varepsilon v_j(I)] =$$
$$= [A^j - \varepsilon I, A^j + \varepsilon I], \quad j \in \mathbf{N}.$$

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (a) We use Theorem 1, (b) $\Rightarrow$ (a), for  $J = \mathbf{N}$ . Let  $J_1 \subset \mathbf{N}$  be a finite subset, such that

(4) 
$$\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j = \varphi_2 - \varphi_1 = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} a_j v_j - \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} b_j v_j,$$

where  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in V_+$ , i.e.  $a_j, b_j \ge 0, j \in \mathbf{N}$   $(\varphi_2 = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} a_j v_j, \varphi_1 = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} b_j v_j).$ 

Then we have

$$\alpha_j = a_j - b_j \quad \forall j \in J_1, \quad a_j = b_j \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N} \setminus J_1.$$

Since  $a_j, b_j$  are nonnegative, we have

$$-(a_j + b_j) \le -b_j \le \alpha_j = a_j - b_j \le a_j \le a_j + b_j, \quad j \in J_1,$$

which lead to

(5) 
$$|\alpha_j| \le a_j + b_j, \quad j \in J_1.$$

On the other hand, (b) leads to

(6)  $\alpha_j B_j \leq \alpha_j A^j + \varepsilon \alpha_j I \quad \forall j \in J_1^+, \ \alpha_j B_j \leq \alpha_j A^j - \varepsilon \alpha_j I \quad \forall j \in J_1^-,$ where

$$J_1^+ := \{ j \in J_1; \alpha_j \ge 0 \}, \quad J_1^- := \{ j \in J_1; \alpha_j < 0 \}$$

The preceding relations yield

$$\begin{split} \sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j B_j &= \sum_{j \in J_1^+} \alpha_j B_j + \sum_{j \in J_1^-} \alpha_j B_j \\ \stackrel{(6)}{\leq} \sum_{j \in J_1^+} \alpha_j A^j + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_1^+} \alpha_j \right) I + \sum_{j \in J_1^-} \alpha_j A^j - \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_1^-} \alpha_j \right) I \\ &= \sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j A^j + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_1} |\alpha_j| \right) I \stackrel{(4)}{=} \varphi_2(A) - \varphi_1(A) \\ &+ \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_1} |\alpha_j| \right) I \stackrel{(5)}{\leq} \varphi_2(A) - \varphi_1(A) + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_1} (a_j + b_j) \right) I \\ &\leq \varphi_2(A) - \varphi_1(A) + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} a_j \right) I + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} b_j \right) I \\ &= \varphi_2(A) + \varepsilon \varphi_2(1) I - [\varphi_1(A) - \varepsilon \varphi_1(1) I] = F(\varphi_2) - G(\varphi_1), \end{split}$$

where

$$F(\varphi) := \varphi(A) + \varepsilon \varphi(1)I, \ G(\varphi) := \varphi(A) - \varepsilon \varphi(1)I, \quad \varphi \in V.$$

Thus all conditions of the hypothesis of Theorem 1 are accomplished, and by this Theorem, there exists a linear operator  $H \in L(V, Y)$  such that  $H(v_j) =$  $B_j =: y_j, j \in \mathbf{N}$  and (2) hold. To prove (3), we use relations (2), which lead to

(7) 
$$|H(\varphi)| = \sup\{H(\varphi), -H(\varphi)\} \stackrel{(2)}{\leq} |\varphi(A)| + \varepsilon \varphi(I), \quad \varphi \in V_+.$$

On the other hand, using the spectral measure  $E_A$  associated to the self-adjoint operator A(||A|| < b by hypothesis), one obtains

(8) 
$$|\varphi(A)| = \left| \int_{\sigma(A)} \varphi(t) dE_A(t) \right| \le ||\varphi|| \int_{\sigma(A)} dE_A(t) = ||\varphi||I \quad \forall \varphi \in V ;$$
$$(||A|| < b \Rightarrow \sigma(A) \subset ] - b, b[\Rightarrow |\varphi(t)| < ||\varphi|| := \sup_{|z| \le b} |\varphi(z)| \quad \forall t \in \sigma(A),$$

where  $\sigma(A)$  is the spectrum of A).

Relations (7) and (8) lead to

(9) 
$$|H(\varphi)| \le ||\varphi||I + \varepsilon \varphi(I) = ||\varphi||I + \varepsilon \varphi(1)I = [||\varphi|| + \varepsilon \varphi(1)]I \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+.$$

On the other hand, for any  $\varphi \in V$  we obviously have  $|H(\varphi)| = (H(\varphi))^+ +$  $(H(\varphi))^{-}$ . Using this, from (9) one gets

(10) 
$$(H(\varphi))^+ \le [||\varphi|| + \varepsilon \varphi(1)]I \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+.$$

But it is easy to see that in the vector lattice Y we have

$$0 \le U \le V \Rightarrow ||U|| = \sup_{||h||=1} \langle U(h), h \rangle \le \sup_{||h||=1} \langle V(h), h \rangle = ||V||.$$

Whence (10) implies

$$||(H(\varphi))^+|| \le ||[||\varphi|| + \varepsilon\varphi(1)]I|| = ||\varphi|| + \varepsilon\varphi(1), \quad \varphi \in V_+.$$

Similarly,

$$||(H(\varphi))^{-}|| \leq ||\varphi|| + \varepsilon \varphi(1), \quad \varphi \in V_{+}.$$

The conclusion is

$$||H(\varphi)|| = ||(H(\varphi))^{+} - (H(\varphi))^{-}|| \le \le ||(H(\varphi))^{+}|| + ||(H(\varphi))^{-}|| \le 2[||\varphi|| + \varepsilon\varphi(1)], \quad \varphi \in V_{+}$$

i.e. (3) holds. The proof is complete.

The scalar version of Theorem 3 is:

COROLLARY 1. Let  $V, v_j, j \in \mathbf{N}$  be as above, and assume that b > 1. Let  $\varepsilon > 0, \{y_j\}_{j \in \mathbf{N}} \subset \mathbf{R}, a \in ]-b, b[$ .

The following assertions are equivalent:

(a) there exists a linear functional  $H \in V^*$  such that

$$H(v_j) = y_j \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N},$$
  
$$\varphi(a) - \varepsilon \varphi(1) \le H(\varphi) \le \varphi(a) + \varepsilon \varphi(1) \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+,$$
  
$$|H(\varphi)| \le 2[||\varphi|| + \varepsilon \varphi(1)] \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+;$$

(b) we have

$$a^j - \varepsilon \le y_j \le a^j + \varepsilon \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Problem. What can we say about the continuity of the linear operator H, which is the solution of the moment problem stated in Theorem 3? If H is continuous, find an estimation of ||H||.

We go on by an application of Theorem 2.

THEOREM 4. Let b > 1, V, Y,  $\{v_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$  be as above. Let  $A \in Y$ , with  $\sigma(A) \subset ]0, b[, \{B_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subset Y, \varepsilon > 0$ . Assume that

$$0 \le B_j \le A^j + \varepsilon I \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Then there exists a positive continuous linear operator  $H \in L_+(V,Y)$ , such that

$$H(v_j) = B_j \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N},$$

(11) 
$$|H(v)| \le ||v|| \left[ (I - b^{-1}A)^{-1} + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1}I \right] \quad \forall v \in V,$$

(12) 
$$||H|| \le 2 \cdot \frac{b[(1+\varepsilon)b - (1+\varepsilon)|A||)]}{(b-1)(b-||A||)}.$$

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*Proof.* We shall apply Theorem 2, (b) $\Rightarrow$ (a) to  $y_j := B_j, j \in \mathbf{N}$ . We have to check the implication mentioned at (b), Theorem 2. Let  $J_1 \subset \mathbf{N}$  be a finite subset,  $\{\alpha_j; j \in J_1\} \subset \mathbf{R}$  such that

$$\sum_{j\in J_1} \alpha_j v_j \le v = \sum_{j\in \mathbf{N}} a_j v_j \in V \quad (a_j \in \mathbf{R}, \ j \in \mathbf{N}).$$

By the definition of the order relation on V, and using also the Cauchy inequalities for the analytic function  $v = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} a_j v_j$ , one obtains

(13) 
$$\alpha_j \le a_j \le |a_j| \le \frac{||v||}{b^j}, \quad j \in J_1.$$

Put  $J_1^+ := \{j \in J_1; \alpha_j \ge 0\}, J_1^- := \{j \in J_1; \alpha_j < 0\}$ . From (13) and using the relations

$$0 \le B_j \le A^j + \varepsilon I \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N}$$

from the hypothesis of the present Theorem, one gets:

$$\begin{split} \sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j B_j &\leq \sum_{j \in J_1^+} \alpha_j B_j \leq \sum_{j \in J_1^+} \alpha_j (A^j + \varepsilon I) \\ &\stackrel{(13)}{\leq} ||v|| \left[ \sum_{j \in J_1^+} b^{-j} A^j + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_1^+} b^{-j} \right) I \right] \\ &\leq ||v|| \left[ \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} b^{-j} A^j + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in \mathbf{N}} b^{-j} \right) I \right] \\ &= ||v|| \left[ (I - b^{-1} A)^{-1} + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1} I \right] =: P(v) \end{split}$$

Thus the implication

$$\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j \le v \Rightarrow \sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j B_j \le P(v)$$

is proved, where  $P(v) := ||v|| \left[ (I - b^{-1}A)^{-1} + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1}I \right], v \in V$ . Applying (b) $\Rightarrow$ (a) of Theorem 2, we infer that there exists a linear positive operator  $H \in L_+(V,Y)$ , such that  $H(v_j) = B_j, j \in \mathbb{N}$  and

$$H(v) \le P(v) = ||v|| \left[ (I - b^{-1}A)^{-1} + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1}I \right], \quad v \in V.$$

Since P(-v) = P(v), it follows that

(14) 
$$|H(v)| \le P(v), \quad \forall v \in V,$$

so that (11) is proved. Next we observe that (12) can be deduced from (11). In fact, because of  $A \in \mathcal{A}(E)$ ,  $\sigma(A) \subset ]0, b[$ , we have

$$|A|| = \sup_{||h||=1} \langle A(h), h \rangle = \Omega_A < b$$
, i.e.  $||b^{-1}A|| < 1$ 

(and A > 0). On the other hand, (14) implies

 $\sup\{(H(v))^+, (H(v))^-\} \le P(v) \Rightarrow (H(v))^+ \le P(v) \Rightarrow ||(H(v))^+|| \le ||P(v)||$  and also

$$||(H(v))^{-}|| \le ||P(v)||.$$

It follows that

(15) 
$$||H(v)|| = ||(H(v))^{+} - (H(v))^{-}|| \le 2||P(v)||$$

On the other hand, we have by the definition of

$$\begin{split} P(v) &:= ||v|| \left[ (I - b^{-1}A)^{-1} + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1}I \right]; \\ ||P(v)|| &\leq ||v|| \left[ ||(I - b^{-1}A)^{-1}|| + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1} \right] \\ &= ||v|| \left[ ||I + (b^{-1}A) + (b^{-1}A)^2 + \dots || + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1} \right] \\ &\leq ||v|| \left[ 1 + \frac{||A||}{b} + \frac{||A||^2}{b^2} + \dots + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1} \right] \\ &= ||v|| \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{||A||}{b}} + \varepsilon \frac{b}{b-1} \right] \\ &= ||v|| \cdot \frac{b[(1 + \varepsilon)b - (1 + \varepsilon)|A||)]}{(b-1)(b-||A||)} \quad \forall v \in V. \end{split}$$

From this and using also (15), we get

$$||H(v)|| \stackrel{(15)}{\leq} 2||P(v)|| \leq 2||v|| \cdot \frac{b[(1+\varepsilon)b - (1+\varepsilon)|A||)}{(b-1)(b-||A||)}.$$

Thus (12) is proved and the proof is complete.

Obviously, a "scalar version" of Theorem 4 can be deduced, taking  $Y = \mathbf{R}$ ,  $I = 1, A = a \in ]0, b[, B_j = y_j \in [0, a^j + \varepsilon].$ 

The last result is an application of Theorem 1, this time to a space of  $C_{\mathbf{R}}^{\infty}$  functions, which are not necessarily analytic. Denote  $V := C_{\mathbf{R}}^{\infty}([0,b])$ , where  $b \geq 1$ , and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Put  $v_j(t) = t^j$ ,  $t \in [0,b]$ ,  $j \in \mathbf{N}$ . We endow V with the convex cone

$$V_{+} := \{ v \in V; v^{(k)}(t) \ge 0 \quad \forall t \in [0, b], \ \forall k \in \mathbf{N} \}.$$

Let Y be as above and  $\{B_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subset Y$ .

Let  $A \in Y$  be such that  $\sigma(A) \subset [0, b]$ . Under these assumptions, we have.

THEOREM 5. The following assertions are equivalent: (a) there exists a linear operator  $H \in L(V, Y)$  such that  $H(v_j) = B_j, j \in \mathbf{N}$ ,

$$\varphi(A) - \varepsilon \varphi(1)I \le H(\varphi) \le \varphi(A) + \varepsilon \varphi(1)I \quad \forall \varphi \in V_+;$$

(b) 
$$A^j - \varepsilon I \leq B_j \leq A^j + \varepsilon I \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N}.$$

*Proof.* The implication (a) $\Rightarrow$ (b) is almost obvious, because of the implication:  $v_j \in V_+$  and  $B_j \stackrel{(a)}{=} H(v_j)$ 

$$\Rightarrow B_j = H(v_j) \stackrel{(a)}{\in} [v_j(A) - \varepsilon v_j(1)I, v_j(A) + \varepsilon v_j(1)I] =$$
$$= [A^j - \varepsilon I, \ A^j + \varepsilon I].$$

To prove (b) $\Rightarrow$ (a), we apply Theorem 1, (b) $\Rightarrow$ (a). We have to prove the implication at (b) of Theorem 1. Let  $J_1 \subset \mathbf{N}$  be a finite subset,  $\{\alpha_j; j \in J_1\} \subset \mathbf{R}, \varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in V_+$  such that

$$\sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j v_j(t) \left( = \sum_{j \in J_1} \alpha_j t^j \right) = \varphi_2(t) - \varphi_1(t) \quad \forall t \in [0, b].$$

This implies  $\alpha_j = \frac{\varphi_2^{(j)}(0)}{j!} - \frac{\varphi_1^{(j)}(0)}{j!}, \ j \in J_1$ . Since  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in V_+$ , we have in particular

$$\varphi_k^{(j)}(0) \ge 0 \quad \forall j \in \mathbf{N}, \quad k \in \{1, 2\}.$$

It follows that

$$-\frac{\varphi_1^{(j)}(0)}{j!} \le \alpha_j \le \frac{\varphi_2^{(j)}(0)}{j!},$$

which leads to

(16) 
$$|\alpha_j| \le \frac{\varphi_2^{(j)}(0)}{j!} + \frac{\varphi_1^{(j)}(0)}{j!}, \quad j \in J_1.$$

If we denote  $J_1^+ := \{j \in J_1; \alpha_j \ge 0\}, J_1^- := \{j \in J_1; \alpha_j < 0\}$ , the preceding relations lead to

$$\sum_{j \in J_{1}} \alpha_{j} B_{j} = \sum_{j \in J_{1}^{+}} \alpha_{j} B_{j} + \sum_{j \in J_{1}^{-}} \alpha_{j} B_{j}$$

$$\stackrel{(b)}{\leq} \sum_{j \in J_{1}^{+}} \alpha_{j} (A^{j} + \varepsilon I) + \sum_{j \in J_{1}^{-}} \alpha_{j} (A^{j} - \varepsilon I)$$

$$= \sum_{j \in J_{1}} \alpha_{j} A^{j} + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_{1}} |\alpha_{j}| \right) I$$

$$= \varphi_{2}(A) - \varphi_{1}(A) + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_{1}} |\alpha_{j}| \right) I$$

$$\stackrel{(16)}{\leq} \varphi_{2}(A) - \varphi_{1}(A) + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_{1}} \frac{\varphi_{2}^{(j)}(0)}{j!} \right) I + \varepsilon \left( \sum_{j \in J_{1}} \frac{\varphi_{1}^{(j)}(0)}{j!} \right) I$$

$$\leq \varphi_{2}(A) - \varphi_{1}(A) + \varepsilon (\varphi_{2}(1))I + \varepsilon (\varphi_{1}(1))I = F(\varphi_{2}) - G(\varphi_{1}),$$

where

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$$F(\varphi) := \varphi(A) + \varepsilon \varphi(1)I, \quad G(\varphi) = \varphi(A) - \varepsilon \varphi(1)I.$$

Note that we have used Taylor's formula and the definition of the order relation on V when we write

$$\sum_{j \in J_1} \frac{\varphi_k^{(j)}(0)}{j!} \le \varphi_k(1), \quad k \in \{1, 2\}.$$

In fact, let  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  be such that  $J_1 \subset \{0, 1, \ldots, n\}$ . Then we have

$$\varphi_k(1) = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{\varphi_k^{(j)}(0)}{j!} + \frac{\varphi_k^{(n+1)}(t)}{(n+1)!} \ge \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{\varphi_k^{(j)}(0)}{j!} \ge \sum_{j \in J_1} \frac{\varphi_k^{(j)}(0)}{j!},$$

 $k \in \{1, 2\}$ , because of  $\varphi_k^{(n+1)}(t) \ge 0$ ,  $\varphi_k^{(j)}(0) \ge 0$ ,  $\forall j \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $k \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $\forall t \in [0, b]$ . Now, from (17) and using Theorem 1 (b) $\Rightarrow$ (a), the conclusion follows.  $\Box$ 

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