

A remark on extrapolation of rearrangement operators on dyadic H^s , $0 < s \leq 1$

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Abstract. For an injective map τ acting on the dyadic subintervals of the unit interval $[0, 1)$ we define the rearrangement operator T_s , $0 < s < 2$, to be the linear extension of the map

$$\frac{h_I}{|I|^{1/s}} \mapsto \frac{h_{\tau(I)}}{|\tau(I)|^{1/s}},$$

where h_I denotes the L^∞ -normalized Haar function supported on the dyadic interval I . We prove the following extrapolation result: If there exists at least one $0 < s_0 < 2$ such that T_{s_0} is bounded on H^{s_0} , then for all $0 < s < 2$ the operator T_s is bounded on H^s .

1. Introduction. In this paper we prove extrapolation estimates for rearrangement operators of the Haar system, normalized in H^s , $0 < s < 2$. Here H^s denotes the dyadic Hardy space of sequences $(g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ for which

$$(1) \quad \|(g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}}\|_{H^s}^s := \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} g(I)^2 h_I^2(x) \right)^{s/2} dx < \infty.$$

In (1) we let \mathcal{D} denote the collection of all dyadic intervals $[a, b)$ in the unit interval $[0, 1)$ and correspondingly $(h_I)_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ denotes the L^∞ -normalized Haar system. For an injective map $\tau : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ we define the rearrangement operator T_s to be the linear extension of

$$T_s : \frac{h_I}{|I|^{1/s}} \mapsto \frac{h_{\tau(I)}}{|\tau(I)|^{1/s}}.$$

We show that

$$(2) \quad \|T_s : H^s \rightarrow H^s\|^{1-\theta} \leq c \|T_p : H^p \rightarrow H^p\|, \quad 0 < s < p < 2,$$

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where $0 < \theta < 1$ is chosen such that

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1 - \theta}{s} + \frac{\theta}{2},$$

$c > 0$ depends at most on s and p , and

$$\|T_s : H^s \rightarrow H^s\| := \sup\{\|T_s g\|_{H^s} : \|g\|_{H^s} \leq 1\}.$$

The novelty of (2) lies in the range of admissible values for s . In [4] the estimate (2) was obtained for the range $1 \leq s < p < 2$. The proof in [4] is based on duality and therefore strictly limited to the case $s \geq 1$. An alternative proof of (2) for $1 \leq s < p < 2$ has been given by exploiting the norm devised by G. Pisier in the context of general Banach lattices [6]. For example, for $g = (g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \in H^1$ Pisier’s result reads in our setting as

$$(3) \quad \frac{1}{d} \|g\|_{H^1}^{1-\theta} \leq \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w(I)|^\theta h_I \right\|_{H^p} : \|w\|_{H^2} \leq 1 \right\} \leq \|g\|_{H^1}^{1-\theta}$$

with $0 < \theta < 1$ and

$$\frac{1}{p} = 1 - \frac{\theta}{2},$$

where $d \geq 1$ depends at most on p and θ . We do not know who should be credited for finding the proof of (2), $1 \leq s < p < 2$, using (3). A proof of (3) follows by specializing the ideas of G. Pisier to the context of H^1 . The work of M. Cwikel, P. G. Nilsson and G. Schechtman [1, Ch. 3] plays a crucial role in linking (3) to G. Pisier’s original construction [6].

2. Extrapolation estimates. The aim of this paper is to present a proof of the following two theorems.

THEOREM 1. *Let $\tau : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be an injection, and let $0 < s < p < 2$ and $0 < \theta < 1$ be such that*

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1 - \theta}{s} + \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

Then there exists a constant $c > 0$, depending at most on s and p , such that

$$\frac{1}{c} \|T_s : H^s \rightarrow H^s\|^{1-\theta} \leq \|T_p : H^p \rightarrow H^p\| \leq c \|T_s : H^s \rightarrow H^s\|^{1-\theta}.$$

The point of the above theorem is the left-hand inequality which corresponds to an *extrapolation*. The right-hand one is rather standard and follows by interpolation. The proof of the extrapolation inequality is based on

THEOREM 2. *For $0 < s < p < q \leq 2$ and $0 < \theta < 1$ such that*

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1 - \theta}{s} + \frac{\theta}{q}$$

there exists a constant $c > 0$, depending at most on s, p , and q , such that

$$(4) \quad \frac{1}{c} \|g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta} \leq \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w(I)|^\theta h_I \right\|_{H^p} : \|w\|_{H^q} \leq 1 \right\} \leq \|g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta}$$

for all $g \in H^s$.

The main estimate in Theorem 2 is the left-hand inequality for which we present two approaches. One is by reduction to the case of Banach lattices and duality. The second approach is via Theorem 5 which is the desired inequality for $q = 2$ and $p + s \geq 2$ and which is—despite the parameter restriction—sufficient to prove the extrapolation part of Theorem 1 as well. The proof of Theorem 5 circumvents the use of duality and is based instead on the atomic decomposition; it provides additional information by finding a particular w_0 that realizes the supremum in (4) up to a multiplicative constant.

Let us start with the proof of Theorem 2 by introducing the following Banach lattices of Triebel type.

DEFINITION 3. For $1 \leq \alpha < \infty$ we let

$$f_1^\alpha := \left\{ g = (g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}} : \|g\|_{f_1^\alpha} := \left\| \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^\alpha h_I^2 \right)^{1/\alpha} \right\|_{L^1} < \infty \right\}.$$

The lattice structure of the spaces f_1^α is defined through the canonical lattice structure of the sequences $(g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$. The Triebel spaces f_1^α form an interpolation scale compatible with the Calderón product: For

$$\frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{1-\eta}{\alpha} + \frac{\eta}{\beta},$$

$0 < \eta < 1$, and $1 \leq \alpha < \gamma < \beta < \infty$, M. Frazier and B. Jawerth [2, Theorem 8.2] ⁽¹⁾ proved that

$$(5) \quad \|g\|_{f_1^\gamma} \leq \|g\|_{(f_1^\alpha)^{1-\eta}(f_1^\beta)^\eta} \leq c \|g\|_{f_1^\gamma}$$

with $c \geq 1$ depending at most on α, γ , and β , where the Calderón product is given by

$$\|g\|_{(f_1^\alpha)^{1-\eta}(f_1^\beta)^\eta} := \inf \{ \|g_0\|_{f_1^\alpha}^{1-\eta} \|g_1\|_{f_1^\beta}^\eta : |g| = |g_0|^{1-\eta} |g_1|^\eta \}.$$

(The left-hand inequality of (5) follows by an appropriate application of Hölder’s inequality.) Our main tool will be the extrapolation formula

$$(6) \quad \|g\|_{f_1^\beta}^\eta = \sup \left\{ \| |g|^\eta |w|^{1-\eta} \|_{(f_1^\alpha)^{1-\eta}(f_1^\beta)^\eta} : \|w\|_{f_1^\alpha} \leq 1 \right\}$$

with $1 \leq \alpha < \beta < \infty$ and $0 < \eta < 1$ from M. Cwikel, P. G. Nilsson and G. Schechtman [1, Theorem 3.5].

⁽¹⁾ The spaces we use are complemented subspaces of the spaces $f_1^{-1/2,p}$ from [2, p. 38], complemented in a way that [2, Theorem 8.2] remains true.

Proof of Theorem 2. For $0 < t \leq 2$ and $g = (g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (7) \quad \|g\|_{H^t}^t &= \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} g(I)^2 h_I^2(x) \right)^{t/2} dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} (|g(I)|^t)^{2/t} h_I^2(x) \right)^{t/2} dx = \| |g|^t \|_{f_1^{2/t}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, rewriting (4) we need to prove that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{1}{c} \| |g|^s \|_{f_1^{2/s}}^{(1-\theta)/s} \\
 &\leq \sup \left\{ \| (|g(I)|^{p(1-\theta)} |w(I)|^{p\theta})_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \|_{f_1^{2/p}}^{1/p} : \| |w|^q \|_{f_1^{2/q}}^{1/q} \leq 1 \right\} \leq \| |g|^s \|_{f_1^{2/s}}^{(1-\theta)/s}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Replacing in the above estimates g by $|g|^{1/s}$ and w by $|w|^{1/q}$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (8) \quad &\frac{1}{c^p} \| |g| \|_{f_1^{2/s}}^{p(1-\theta)/s} \\
 &\leq \sup \left\{ \| (|g(I)|^{p(1-\theta)/s} |w(I)|^{p\theta/q})_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \|_{f_1^{2/p}} : \| |w| \|_{f_1^{2/q}} \leq 1 \right\} \leq \| |g| \|_{f_1^{2/s}}^{p(1-\theta)/s}.
 \end{aligned}$$

With $\alpha := 2/q$, $\beta := 2/s$, $\gamma := 2/p$, and $\eta := (q - p)/(q - s) \in (0, 1)$ so that

$$1 \leq \alpha < \gamma < \beta, \quad \frac{1}{\gamma} = \frac{1 - \eta}{\alpha} + \frac{\eta}{\beta},$$

the estimates (8) are equivalent to

$$\frac{1}{c^p} \| |g| \|_{f_1^\beta}^\eta \leq \sup \left\{ \| (|g(I)|^\eta |w(I)|^{1-\eta})_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \|_{f_1^\gamma} : \| |w| \|_{f_1^\alpha} \leq 1 \right\} \leq \| |g| \|_{f_1^\beta}^\eta,$$

which follows immediately from (5) and (6). ■

Proof of Theorem 1. (a) First we prove the left-hand inequality. Assume that $\|T_p : H^p \rightarrow H^p\| < \infty$ (otherwise there is nothing to prove). Fix $g = (g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \in H^s$ and $w = (w(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \in H^2$. Define

$$u := \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w(I)|^\theta h_I.$$

As $1/p = (1 - \theta)/s + \theta/2$ we have

$$(T_p u)(J) = |(T_s g)(J)|^{1-\theta} |(T_2 w)(J)|^\theta$$

for the corresponding Haar coefficients. By Theorem 2 we get

$$\frac{1}{c} \|T_s g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta} \leq \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{J \in \mathcal{D}} |(T_s g)(J)|^{1-\theta} |w(J)|^\theta h_J \right\|_{H^p} : \|w\|_{H^2} \leq 1 \right\}.$$

Since T_2 preserves the H^2 -norm and the supremum in the above expression can be restricted to those w such that $w(J) = 0$ whenever $J \notin \tau(\mathcal{D})$, we can

rewrite the above inequality as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{c} \|T_s g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta} &\leq \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{J \in \mathcal{D}} |(T_s g)(J)|^{1-\theta} |(T_2 w)(J)|^\theta h_J \right\|_{H^p} : \|T_2 w\|_{H^2} \leq 1 \right\} \\ &= \sup \left\{ \left\| T_p \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w(I)|^\theta h_I \right) \right\|_{H^p} : \|w\|_{H^2} \leq 1 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

As T_p is bounded on H^p ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sup \left\{ \left\| T_p \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w(I)|^\theta h_I \right) \right\|_{H^p} : \|w\|_{H^2} \leq 1 \right\} \\ &\leq \|T_p : H^p \rightarrow H^p\| \sup \left\{ \left\| \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w(I)|^\theta h_I \right\|_{H^p} : \|w\|_{H^2} \leq 1 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

By Theorem 2 the supremum above is bounded by $\|g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta}$ so that

$$\frac{1}{c} \|T_s g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta} \leq \|T_p : H^p \rightarrow H^p\| \|g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta}$$

and the claim follows.

(b) Because $\|T_2 g\|_{H^2} = \|g\|_{H^2}$ the right-hand inequality follows from a general interpolation property of the operators T_p : for $0 < s < p < q \leq 2$ and $0 < \theta' < 1$ with $1/p = (1 - \theta')/s + \theta'/q$ one has

$$(9) \quad \|T_p : H^p \rightarrow H^p\| \leq c \|T_s : H^s \rightarrow H^s\|^{1-\theta'} \|T_q : H^q \rightarrow H^q\|^{\theta'}$$

where $c > 0$ depends at most on $s, p,$ and q . There are different ways to deduce (9). We reduce the family of operators $(T_p)_{0 < p \leq 2}$ to a *single* operator T and exploit the interpolation property of the Calderón product. The map T is given by $T((a(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}}) := (g(J))_{J \in \mathcal{D}}$ with

$$g(J) := \begin{cases} a(\tau^{-1}(J)) \frac{|\tau^{-1}(J)|}{|J|}, & J \in \tau(\mathcal{D}), \\ 0, & J \notin \tau(\mathcal{D}), \end{cases}$$

so that, for $0 < t \leq 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_t g\|_{H^t}^t &= \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \left[g(I) \left(\frac{|I|}{|\tau(I)|} \right)^{1/t} \right]^2 h_{\tau(I)}^2(x) \right)^{t/2} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \left[|g(I)|^t \frac{|I|}{|\tau(I)|} \right]^{2/t} h_{\tau(I)}^2(x) \right)^{t/2} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{J \in \tau(\mathcal{D})} \left[|g(\tau^{-1}(J))|^t \frac{|\tau^{-1}(J)|}{|J|} \right]^{2/t} h_J^2(x) \right)^{t/2} dx = \|T(|g|^t)\|_{f_1^{2/t}}. \end{aligned}$$

Together with (7) this implies

$$(10) \quad \|T_t : H^t \rightarrow H^t\|^t = \|T : f_1^{2/t} \rightarrow f_1^{2/t}\|.$$

Now, from (5), [2, Proposition 8.1], and the positivity of T we obtain

$$\|T : f_1^\gamma \rightarrow f_1^\gamma\| \leq c \|T : f_1^\alpha \rightarrow f_1^\alpha\|^{1-\eta} \|T : f_1^\beta \rightarrow f_1^\beta\|^\eta$$

for $1 \leq \alpha < \gamma < \beta < \infty$ and $0 < \eta < 1$ such that $1/\gamma = (1 - \eta)/\alpha + \eta/\beta$, where $c > 0$ depends at most on α, β , and γ . Together with (10) we end up with (9) by letting $\alpha = 2/q, \beta = 2/s$, and $\gamma = 2/p$. ■

3. A constructive aspect of Theorem 2. Given $g \in H^s$ it follows from Theorem 2 that there exists a $w_0 \in H^2$ with $\|w_0\|_{H^2} = 1$ such that

$$\|g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta} \sim \left\| \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w_0(I)|^\theta h_I \right\|_{H^p}$$

whenever $0 < s < p < 2, 0 < \theta < 1$, and $1/p = (1 - \theta)/s + \theta/2$. The duality proof of Theorem 2 yields just the existence of such a $w_0 \in H^2$. In order to get an explicit formula for $w_0 \in H^2$ we exploit an atomic decomposition for $g \in H^s$ in this section. To simplify the notion we use the square function

$$S(g)(x) := \left(\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} g(I)^2 h_I^2(x) \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{for } g = (g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \in H^s.$$

The following lemma summarizes the properties of the stopping time decomposition originating with the work of S. Janson and P. W. Jones [3].

LEMMA 4. *Let $0 < s, p < \infty$ and $g = (g(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \in H^s$. Then there exists a system $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ of dyadic intervals and $\mathcal{T}(K) \subseteq \mathcal{D}$ for $K \in \mathcal{E}$ such that, for*

$$g_K := \sum_{I \in \mathcal{T}(K)} g(I) h_I,$$

one has the following:

- (i) $(\mathcal{T}(K))_{K \in \mathcal{E}}$ is a disjoint partition of \mathcal{D} ,
- (ii) $\text{supp}(S(g_K)) \subseteq K$,
- (iii) there is a constant $c > 0$, depending on s only, such that

$$(11) \quad \sum_{K \in \mathcal{E}} \|S(g_K)\|_\infty^s |K| \leq c \|g\|_{H^s}^s,$$

- (iv) there is an absolute constant $d \geq 1$ such that

$$(12) \quad \sum_{K \in \mathcal{E}} |\alpha(K)|^p \|g_K\|_{H^p}^p \leq d \left\| \sum_{K \in \mathcal{E}} \alpha(K) g_K \right\|_{H^p}^p$$

for any sequence of scalars $(\alpha_K)_{K \in \mathcal{E}}$ where the sides might be infinite.

The above decomposition is obtained by applying a stopping time procedure based on the size of the square function $S(g)$. This argument is due to S. Janson and P. W. Jones [3]; it is reproduced in many places, for instance in [5] (cf. Theorem 2.3.3 and Proposition 3.1.5). By renumbering we

replace $(g_K, K)_{K \in \mathcal{E}}$ by $(g_i, I_i)_{i \in \mathcal{N}}$ with $\mathcal{N} \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots\}$. The family (g_i, I_i) is called an *atomic decomposition* of g where we may assume without loss of generality that $\|g_i\|_{H^2} = \|S(g_i)\|_2 > 0$ for all i by leaving out those elements g_K with $\|g_K\|_{H^2} = 0$.

THEOREM 5. *Let $0 < s < p < 2$ and $p + s \geq 2$, and let $0 < \theta < 1$ be such that*

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1 - \theta}{s} + \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

For $g \in H^s$ with $\|g\|_{H^s} > 0$ and atomic decomposition (g_i, I_i) define

$$w_0 := \|g\|_{H^s}^{-s/2} \sum_i Y_i^{1/2} g_i \quad \text{where} \quad Y_i := \frac{\|S(g_i)\|_\infty^s |I_i|}{\|S(g_i)\|_2^2}.$$

Then $w_0 \in H^2$ with $\|w_0\|_{H^2} \leq c$ with $c > 0$ depending on s only, and

$$\|g\|_{H^s}^{1-\theta} \leq d \left\| \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w_0(I)|^\theta h_I \right\|_{H^p}$$

where $d > 0$ is an absolute constant.

Proof. We may assume that $\|g\|_{H^s} = 1$ in the following. As the sequence (g_i) is disjointly supported over the Haar system, we have $S^2(w_0) = \sum_i Y_i S(g_i)^2$. Inserting the definition of Y_i and using the estimate (11) yields

$$\|w_0\|_{H^2} = \left(\sum_i \|S(g_i)\|_\infty^s |I_i| \right)^{1/2} \leq c^{1/2} \|g\|_{H^s}^{s/2} = c^{1/2} < \infty.$$

Let $(g_i(I))_{I \in \mathcal{D}}$ denote the Haar coefficients of g_i . Because

$$\sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w_0(I)|^\theta h_I = \sum_i Y_i^{\theta/2} |g_i|,$$

from (12) we get

$$\sum_i Y_i^{\theta p/2} \|g_i\|_{H^p}^p \leq d \left\| \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w_0(I)|^\theta h_I \right\|_{H^p}^p$$

where the right-hand side is finite because $g \in H^s$, $w_0 \in H^2$, and by the right-hand inequality of (4) (we are interested in an alternative proof for the left-hand side). As $s \leq 2$ we have

$$S(g)^s = \left(\sum_i S(g_i)^2 \right)^{s/2} \leq \sum_i S(g_i)^s$$

so that $1 = \|g\|_{H^s}^s \leq \sum_i \|g_i\|_{H^s}^s$. Thus in order to prove

$$1 \leq d \left\| \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} |g(I)|^{1-\theta} |w_0(I)|^\theta h_I \right\|_{H^p}^p$$

it suffices to show

$$\sum_i \|g_i\|_{H^s}^s \leq \sum_i Y_i^{\theta p/2} \|g_i\|_{H^p}^p.$$

Since

$$Y_i^{\theta p/2} \|g_i\|_{H^p}^p = \|S(g_i)\|_{\infty}^{\theta ps/2} |I_i|^{\theta p/2} \|S(g_i)\|_2^{-\theta p} \|g_i\|_{H^p}^p$$

we will prove that

$$\left(\int_0^1 S(g_i)^s(x) dx\right) \left(\int_0^1 S(g_i)^2(x) dx\right)^{\theta p/2} \leq \|S(g_i)\|_{\infty}^{\theta ps/2} |I_i|^{\theta p/2} \left(\int_0^1 S(g_i)^p(x) dx\right).$$

Replacing dx by $dx/|I|$ and taking into the account that the support of $S(g_i)$ is contained in I_i we only need to prove for a non-negative random variable Z that

$$(EZ^s)(EZ^2)^{\theta p/2} \leq \|Z\|_{\infty}^{\theta ps/2} EZ^p,$$

which follows from

$$\begin{aligned} (EZ^s)(EZ^2)^{\theta p/2} &\leq (EZ^s)(EZ^{2-s})^{\theta p/2} \|Z\|_{\infty}^{\theta ps/2} \\ &\leq (EZ^p)^{s/p} (EZ^p)^{(2-s)\theta p/(2p)} \|Z\|_{\infty}^{\theta ps/2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{s}{p} + \frac{2-s}{p} \frac{\theta p}{2} = 1. \blacksquare$$

Second proof of the left-hand inequality of Theorem 1. For $0 < s < p < 2$ we find $p \leq p' < 2$ such that $s + p' \geq 2$. Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_s : H^s \rightarrow H^s\| &\leq c_1 \|T_{p'} : H^{p'} \rightarrow H^{p'}\|^{(1-\theta_1)^{-1}} \\ &\leq c_2 \|T_p : H^p \rightarrow H^p\|^{(1-\theta_1)^{-1}(1-\theta_2)} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\frac{1}{p'} = \frac{1-\theta_1}{s} + \frac{\theta_1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{p'} = \frac{1-\theta_2}{p} + \frac{\theta_2}{2}$$

with $c_1, c_2 > 0$ depending at most on $s, p,$ and p' and where we used in the first step Theorem 5 together with the arguments of part (a) of the proof of Theorem 1, and in the second one formula (9) for $q = 2$ (note that T_2 preserves the H^2 -norm). Because

$$(1-\theta_1)^{-1}(1-\theta_2) = (1-\theta)^{-1}$$

with θ defined in Theorem 1, we are done. \blacksquare

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