

## GENERAL NUMERICAL RADIUS INEQUALITIES FOR MATRICES OF HILBERT SPACE OPERATORS

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*Abstract.* We obtain new bounds for the numerical radius of certain  $n \times n$  and general  $2 \times 2$  operator matrices. We show that our bounds refines the bounds that are given in [1] and [3].

### 1. Introduction

Let  $B(H)$  be the  $C^*$ -algebra of all bounded linear operators on complex Hilbert space  $H$  with the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . For  $T \in B(H)$ , let

$$w(T) = \sup_{\|x\|=1} |\langle Tx, x \rangle|,$$

$$m(T) = \inf_{\|x\|=1} |\langle Tx, x \rangle|,$$

$$\|T\| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \sqrt{\langle Tx, Tx \rangle},$$

$$c(T) = \inf_{\|x\|=1} \sqrt{\langle Tx, Tx \rangle},$$

denote the numerical radius, the Crawford number of  $T$ , the usual operator norm and the minimum norm of  $T$  respectively. It is well-known that  $w(\cdot)$  and  $\|\cdot\|$  are equivalent norms on  $B(H)$  and satisfying the following sharp inequality

$$\frac{1}{2} \|T\| \leq w(T) \leq \|T\| \quad \text{for every } T \in B(H). \quad (1.1)$$

The upper bound of the inequality (1.1) has refined by Kittaneh [10] by showing that

$$w^2(T) \leq \frac{1}{2} (\|T\|^2 + |T^*|^2) \quad \text{for every } T \in B(H). \quad (1.2)$$

Over the years many authors have generalized and improved the above inequality, (see [6]–[14]).

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In this work, we obtain an improvement for the lower bound of the inequality (1.1), we prove that

$$w(T) \geq \max \left\{ \|T\| + \frac{m(T^2)}{\|T\|}, \frac{c^2(T) + w(T^2)}{\|T\|} \right\},$$

for every non-zero operator  $T \in B(H)$ .

Let  $H$  be Hilbert space. Then the  $n$ -copies of  $H$  denoted by  $H^{(n)} = H \oplus H \oplus \dots \oplus H$ . For  $A_{ij} \in B(H)$ ,  $(1 \leq i, j \leq n)$ , the  $n \times n$  operator matrix  $T = [A_{ij}] \in B(H^{(n)})$  is defined by

$$Tx = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^n A_{1j}x_j \\ \sum_{j=1}^n A_{2j}x_j \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^n A_{nj}x_j \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{where } x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \in H^{(n)}.$$

In this work, we establish new lower and upper bounds for the numerical radius of certain  $n \times n$  and  $2 \times 2$  operator matrix. We show that the bounds obtained here improve on the existing bounds given in [1] and [3].

### 2. Numerical radius inequalities

In order to prove our results we need the following lemmas.

LEMMA 2.1. [4] *Let  $T \in B(H)$ . Then*

$$\|Tx\|^2 + |\langle T^2x, x \rangle| \leq 2w(T)\|Tx\|\|x\|, \tag{2.1}$$

for every  $x \in H$ .

LEMMA 2.2. [1] *Let  $a, b, e \in H$  with  $\|e\| = 1$ . Then for every  $p \in [0, 1]$ ,*

$$|\langle a, e \rangle \langle e, b \rangle|^2 \leq \frac{1+p}{2} \|a\|^2 \|b\|^2 + \frac{1-p}{2} \|a\| \|b\| |\langle a, b \rangle|. \tag{2.2}$$

LEMMA 2.3. [11] *Let  $T \in B(H)$  be a positive operator and  $x \in H$  be any unit vector. Then for every  $r \geq 1$ ,*

$$|\langle Tx, x \rangle|^r \leq |\langle T^r x, x \rangle|. \tag{2.3}$$

LEMMA 2.4. [2] *Let  $f$  be a non-negative convex function on  $[0, \infty)$  and  $A, B \in B(H)$  be positive operators. Then*

$$\left\| f \left( \frac{A+B}{2} \right) \right\| \leq \left\| \frac{f(A) + f(B)}{2} \right\|.$$

The first result in this paper which gives new lower bound for  $n \times n$  off-diagonal operator matrix can be stated as follows.

**THEOREM 2.5.** Let  $T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & A_1 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ A_n & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , such that  $A_i \neq 0$  for any  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

Then

$$w(A) \geq \frac{1}{2} \max\{\alpha, \beta\}, \tag{2.4}$$

where

$$\alpha = \max \left\{ \|A_{n-s+1}\| + \frac{m(A_s A_{n-s+1})}{\|A_{n-s+1}\|} : s = 1, 2, \dots, n \right\}$$

and

$$\beta = \max \left\{ \frac{c^2(A_{n-s+1}) + w(A_s A_{n-s+1})}{\|A_{n-s+1}\|} : s = 1, 2, \dots, n \right\}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} \in H^{(n)}$  be any unit vector. Then by Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n A_i x_{n-i+1} \right\|^2 + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle A_i A_{n-i+1} x_i, x_i \rangle \right| \leq 2w(T) \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n A_i x_{n-i+1} \right\|. \tag{2.5}$$

For  $s \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , let  $x_j = 0$  for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, s-1, s+1, \dots, n$ . then  $\|x_s\| = 1$  and so by (2.5), we get

$$\|A_{n-s+1}x_s\|^2 + |\langle A_s A_{n-s+1}x_s, x_s \rangle| \leq 2w(T) \|A_{n-s+1}\|,$$

thus

$$\|A_{n-s+1}x_s\|^2 + m(A_s A_{n-s+1}) \leq 2w(T) \|A_{n-s+1}\|,$$

hence

$$w(T) \geq \frac{\|A_{n-s+1}x_s\|^2 + m(A_s A_{n-s+1})}{2\|A_{n-s+1}\|}.$$

Taking the supremum over all  $x_s \in H$  with  $\|x_s\| = 1$ , we get

$$w(T) \geq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \|A_{n-s+1}x_s\| + \frac{m(A_s A_{n-s+1})}{\|A_{n-s+1}x_s\|} \right].$$

Hence

$$w(T) \geq \frac{1}{2} \alpha. \tag{2.6}$$

Similarly from the inequality (2.5) we have

$$c^2(A_{n-s+1}) + |\langle A_s A_{n-s+1}x_s, x_s \rangle| \leq 2w(T) \|A_{n-s+1}\|,$$

so

$$w(T) \geq \frac{c^2(A_{n-s+1}) + |\langle A_s A_{n-s+1} x_s, x_s \rangle|}{2 \|A_{n-s+1}\|}.$$

Taking the supremum over all  $x_s \in H$ ,

$$w(T) \geq \frac{c^2(A_{n-s+1}) + w(A_s A_{n-s+1})}{2 \|A_{n-s+1}\|}.$$

Thus

$$w(T) \geq \frac{1}{2} \beta. \tag{2.7}$$

By (2.6) and (2.7) we get the required result.  $\square$

The next result which improve the lower bound of the inequality (1.1) can be obtained directly from the above theorem.

**COROLLARY 2.6.** *Let  $T \in B(H)$ . Then*

$$w(T) \geq \frac{1}{2} \max \left\{ \|T\| + \frac{m(T^2)}{\|T\|}, \frac{c^2(T) + w(T^2)}{\|T\|} \right\}. \tag{2.8}$$

Also, if  $n = 2$  in Theorem 2.5, then we get ([5], Theorem 2).

**THEOREM 2.7.** *Let  $A, B, C, D \in B(H)$  and let  $0 \leq p \leq 1$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} w^4 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \right) &\leq 8 \max\{w^4(A), w^4(D)\} + (2 + 2p) \max\{\| |C|^4 + |B^*|^4 \|, \| |B|^4 + |C^*|^4 \| \} \\ &\quad + (2 - 2p) \max\{\| |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|, \| |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \| \} \\ &\quad \times \max\{w(BC), w(CB)\}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

*Proof.* Let  $T = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $T_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$  and  $T_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then for any unit vector  $x \in H^{(2)}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle Tx, x \rangle|^4 &= |\langle T_1 x, x \rangle + \langle T_2 x, x \rangle|^4 \\ &\leq (|\langle T_1 x, x \rangle| + |\langle T_2 x, x \rangle|)^4 \\ &= 8(|\langle T_1 x, x \rangle|^4 + |\langle T_2 x, x \rangle|^4) \quad (\text{by convexity of } f(t) = t^4) \\ &= 8|\langle T_1 x, x \rangle|^4 + 8|\langle T_2 x, x \rangle \langle x, T_2^* x \rangle|^2 \\ &\leq 8|\langle T_1 x, x \rangle|^4 + (4 + 4p) \|T_2 x\|^2 \|T_2^* x\|^2 + (4 - 4p) \|T_2 x\| \|T_2^* x\| |\langle T_2 x, T_2^* x \rangle| \\ &\hspace{15em} (\text{by Lemma 2.2}) \\ &= 8|\langle T_1 x, x \rangle|^4 + (4 + 4p) \langle |T_2|^2 x, x \rangle \langle |T_2^*|^2 x, x \rangle \\ &\quad + (4 - 4p) \sqrt{\langle |T_2|^2 x, x \rangle} \sqrt{\langle |T_2^*|^2 x, x \rangle} |\langle T_2 x, x \rangle| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq 8|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^4 + (2 + 2p)(\langle |T_2|^2x, x \rangle^2 + \langle |T_2^*|^2x, x \rangle^2) \\
 &\quad + (2 - 2p)\langle (|T_2|^2x + |T_2^*|^2)x, x \rangle |\langle T_2^2x, x \rangle| \\
 &\leq 8|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^4 + (2 + 2p)\langle (|T_2|^4 + |T_2^*|^4)x, x \rangle \\
 &\quad + (2 - 2p)\langle (|T_2|^2x + |T_2^*|^2)x, x \rangle |\langle T_2^2x, x \rangle| \quad (\text{by Lemma 2.3}) \\
 &\leq 8 \left| \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \right|^4 + (2 + 2p) \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} |C|^4 + |B^*|^4 & 0 \\ 0 & |B|^4 + |C^*|^4 \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \\
 &\quad + (2 - 2p) \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} BC & 0 \\ 0 & CB \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, by taking the supremum over all unit vectors  $x \in H^{(2)}$  we get the required bound.  $\square$

REMARK 2.8. The upper bound in Theorem 2.7 is less than the upper bound in the inequality [[3], Theorem 3.1] for  $p = \frac{1}{3}$ . That is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 w^4 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \right) &\leq 8 \max\{w^4(A), w^4(D)\} + \frac{8}{3} \max\{\| |C|^4 + |B^*|^4 \|, \| |B|^4 + |C^*|^4 \| \} \\
 &\quad + \frac{4}{3} \max\{\| |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|, \| |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \| \} \max\{w(BC), w(CB)\} \\
 &\leq 8 \max\{w^4(A), w^4(D)\} + 3 \max\{\| |C|^4 + |B^*|^4 \|, \| |B|^4 + |C^*|^4 \| \} \\
 &\quad + \max\{\| |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|, \| |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \| \} \max\{w(BC), w(CB)\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

Which is clear since

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\max\{\| |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|, \| |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \| \} \max\{w(BC), w(CB)\} \\
 &\leq \max\{\| |C|^4 + |B^*|^4 \|, \| |B|^4 + |C^*|^4 \| \}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The next result is obtained by letting  $A = D$  and  $B = C$  in Theorem 2.7.

COROLLARY 2.9. Let  $A, B \in B(H)$  and  $p \in [0, 1]$ . Then

$$w^4 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{bmatrix} \right) \leq 8w^4(A) + (2 + 2p)\| |B|^4 + |B^*|^4 \| + (2 - 2p)\| |B|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|w(B^2). \tag{2.11}$$

The next result which was obtained in [1] by Aldolat and Jaradat is a direct consequence of corollary 2.9 by letting  $A = B$ .

COROLLARY 2.10. Let  $A \in B(H)$  and  $p \in [0, 1]$ . Then

$$w^4(A) \leq \frac{1+p}{4}\| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1-p}{4}\| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \|w(A^2). \tag{2.12}$$

REMARK 2.11. Let  $p = \frac{1}{3}$  in Corollary 2.10 . Then we get a refinement for the upper bound [[3], Remark 3.2]

$$\begin{aligned} w^4(A) &\leq \frac{1}{3} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{6} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\leq \frac{3}{8} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{8} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2). \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

To explain this, note that

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{3} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{6} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{24} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) + \frac{1}{8} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{24} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w^2(A) + \frac{1}{8} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{48} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \|^2 + \frac{1}{8} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\hspace{15em} \text{(by inequality (1.2))} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{48} \| (|A|^2 + |A^*|^2)^2 \| + \frac{1}{8} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\hspace{15em} \text{(by Lemma (2.4))} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{3} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{24} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{8} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &= \frac{3}{8} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1}{8} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2). \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

THEOREM 2.12. Let  $A, B, C, D \in B(H)$  and let  $p \in [0, 1]$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} w^4 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \right) &\leq \max\{w^4(A), w^4(D)\} + \frac{1+p}{4} \max\{\| |C|^4 + |B^*|^4 \|, \| |B|^4 + |C^*|^4 \| \} \\ &\quad + \frac{1-p}{4} \max\{\| |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|, \| |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \| \} \max\{w(BC), w(CB)\} \\ &\quad + 3 \max\{w^2(A), w^2(D)\} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \max\{\| |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|, \| |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \| \} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \max\{w(BC), w(CB)\} \right] \\ &\quad + 2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \max\{\| |A|^2 + |B^*|^2 \|, \| |D|^2 + |C^*|^2 \| \} + w \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & BD \\ CA & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right] \\ &\quad \times \left[ \max\{w^2(A), w^2(D)\} + w \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Let  $T = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $T_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{bmatrix}$  and  $T_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then for any unit vector  $x \in H^{(2)}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\langle Tx, x \rangle|^4 &\leq (|\langle T_1x, x \rangle| + |\langle T_2x, x \rangle|)^4 \\
 &= |\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^4 + |\langle T_2x, x \rangle \langle x, T_2^*x \rangle|^2 + 6|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 |\langle T_2x, x \rangle \langle x, T_2^*x \rangle| \\
 &\quad + 4|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 |\langle T_1x, x \rangle \langle x, T_2^*x \rangle| + 4|\langle T_2x, x \rangle|^2 |\langle T_1x, x \rangle \langle x, T_2^*x \rangle| \\
 &\leq |\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^4 + \frac{1+p}{2} \|T_2x\|^2 \|T_2^*x\|^2 + \frac{1-p}{2} \|T_2x\| \|T_2^*x\| |\langle T_2x, T_2^*x \rangle| \\
 &\quad + 3|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 (\|T_2x\| \|T_2^*x\| + |\langle T_2x, T_2^*x \rangle|) \\
 &\quad + 2[\|T_1x\| \|T_2^*x\| + |\langle T_1x, T_2^*x \rangle|] [|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 + |\langle T_2x, x \rangle|^2] \\
 &\leq |\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^4 + \frac{1+p}{4} \langle (|T_2|^4 + |T_2^*|^4)x, x \rangle \\
 &\quad + \frac{1-p}{4} \langle (|T_2|^2 + |T_2^*|^2)x, x \rangle |\langle T_2^2x, x \rangle| \\
 &\quad + 3|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 \left( \left\langle \frac{(|T_2|^2 + |T_2^*|^2)}{2}x, x \right\rangle + \langle T_2^2x, x \rangle \right) \\
 &\quad + 2 \left[ \left\langle \frac{(|T_1|^2 + |T_2^*|^2)}{2}x, x \right\rangle + |\langle T_2T_1x, x \rangle| \right] [|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 + |\langle T_2x, x \rangle|^2] \\
 &\leq |\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^4 + \frac{1+p}{4} \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} |C|^4 + |B^*|^4 & 0 \\ 0 & |B|^4 + |C^*|^4 \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \\
 &\quad + \frac{1-p}{4} \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \left| \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} BC & 0 \\ 0 & CB \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \right| \\
 &\quad + 3|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} |C|^2 + |B^*|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |B|^2 + |C^*|^2 \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle + \left| \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} BC & 0 \\ 0 & CB \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \right| \right) \\
 &\quad + 2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} |A|^2 + |B^*|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |D|^2 + |C^*|^2 \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle + \left| \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} 0 & BD \\ CD & 0 \end{bmatrix} x, x \right\rangle \right| \right] \\
 &\quad \times [|\langle T_1x, x \rangle|^2 + |\langle T_2x, x \rangle|^2].
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, the proof is complete by taking the supremum over all unit vectors  $x \in H^{(2)}$ .  $\square$

**COROLLARY 2.13.** *Let  $A, B \in B(H)$  and  $p \in [0, 1]$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 w^4 \left( \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{bmatrix} \right) &= \max\{w^4(A+B), w^4(A-B)\} \\
 &\leq w^4(A) + \frac{1+p}{4} \| |B|^4 + |B^*|^4 \| + \frac{1-p}{4} \| |B|^2 + |B^*|^2 \| w(B^2) \\
 &\quad + 3w^2(A) \left( \frac{1}{2} \| |B|^2 + |B^*|^2 \| + w(B^2) \right) \\
 &\quad + (\| |A|^2 + |B^*|^2 \| + 2w(BA)) (w(A^2) + w(B^2)).
 \end{aligned}$$

COROLLARY 2.14. *Let  $A \in B(H)$  and  $p \in [0, 1]$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} w^4(A) &\leq \frac{1+p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1-p}{60} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{7}{15} w^2(A) \left( \frac{1}{2} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| + w(A^2) \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \|. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} w^4(A) &\leq \frac{1+p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1-p}{60} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{7}{15} w^2(A) \left( \frac{1}{2} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| + w(A^2) \right) \quad (\text{take } A = B \text{ in Corollary 2.13}) \\ &= \frac{1+p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1-p}{60} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w(A^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{7}{30} w^2(A) \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| + \frac{7}{15} w^2(A) w(A^2) \\ &\leq \frac{1+p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{1-p}{60} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| w^2(A) \\ &\quad + \frac{7}{30} w^2(A) \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \| + \frac{7}{15} w^4(A) \quad (\text{by the power inequality}) \\ &\leq \frac{1+p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{15-p}{120} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \|^2 + \frac{7}{60} \| |A|^2 + |A^*|^2 \|^2 \\ &= \frac{1+p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{29-p}{120} \| (|A|^2 + |A^*|^2)^2 \| \\ &\leq \frac{1+p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| + \frac{29-p}{60} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \| |A|^4 + |A^*|^4 \|. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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