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A METHOD FOR IMPROVING THE CONVERGENCE OF
ITERATION SEQUENCES

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If a sequence of approximations, for a dominant eigenvalue of a suitable operator is known, then it is possible to improve the convergence of the iteration process for the solution of a linear equation in a Banach space

$$(1) \quad Ax = y.$$

The considered "speeding up" method is a generalization of the method suggested by L.A. Lusternik [1] for speeding up the convergence of the iteration process, by means of which systems of linear algebraic equations can be solved.

Let X be a complex Banach space, X' the adjoint space of linear forms, $X_1 = (X \rightarrow X)$ the space of linear continuous transformations of the space X into itself. It is well known that if $A \in X_1$, then $A^{-1} \in X_1$, if and only if such a $P \in X_1$ exists, that $P^{-1} \in X_1$ and (I is the identity operator)

$$(2) \quad \|I - PA\| = q < 1.$$

It is also known, that the iterations

$$(3) \quad x_{n+1} = Tx_n + Pf,$$

where

$$(4) \quad T = I - PA,$$

converge to the solution x of the equation (1) and that the estimation

$$\|x_{n+1} - x\|_X = O(R_T^n)$$

holds for the error. Here R_T is the spectral radius of the operator T .

Let operator T have dominant eigenvalue μ_0 , i.e. let

$$(5) \quad |\lambda| < |\mu_0| \quad \text{for } \lambda \in \sigma(T), \lambda \neq \mu_0,$$

where $\sigma(T)$ is the spectrum of operator T .

Let the inequality

$$(6) \quad |\mu_m - \mu_0| \leq c \left| \frac{\mu}{\mu_0} \right|^{2m}$$

hold for the terms of the sequence $\{\mu_m\}$, where μ is the radius of the smallest circle, in which the whole spectrum $\sigma(T)$ except the point μ_0 lies. We construct the iteration process

$$(7) \quad \hat{x}_{m+1} = \frac{1}{1 - \mu_m} (x_{m+1} - \mu_m x_m),$$

where x_m, x_{m+1} are terms of the process (3).

Theorem 1. The sequence $\{\hat{x}_m\}$ defined in (7) converges in the norm of space X to the solution x of equation (1) and the following estimation of the error holds

$$(8) \quad \|\hat{x}_{m+1} - x\| \leq c_1 \frac{1}{|1 - \mu_0|} \sup_m \frac{1}{|1 - \mu_m|} \mu^{2m} = O(\mu^{2m}).$$

Remark. The position of the point μ_0 with respect to a unity circle with its centre in the origin influences the speed of the convergence of the sequence (7). If μ_0 would lie near to the value 1 the speed of the convergence could be spoiled by the large factors $|1 - \mu_0|^{-1}, |1 - \mu_m|^{-1}$. So as to get rid of such inconvenient influences on the convergence we can use the sequence

$$(9) \quad \tilde{x}_m = \frac{1}{1 - \mu_m^p} (x_{m+p} - \mu_m^p x_m)$$

instead of the sequence (7), where the x_{m+p}, x_m , similarly as in (7) are terms of the sequence (3). It is clear, that for p large enough the mentioned difficulty disappears.

Theorem 2. Under the assumptions of theorem 1 the sequence (9) converges in the norm of the space X to the solution X of the equation (1) and we have the following estimation

$$\|\tilde{x}_n - x\| \leq c_2 \frac{1}{|1 - \mu_0^n|} \sup_n \frac{1}{|1 - \mu_m^n|} \mu_0^n,$$

where p is a fixed natural number.

One can also use an iteration process to construct the sequence $\{\mu_m\}$. Let x'_m, y'_m, z'_m, x', y' be elements of space X' and let the equations

$$(10) \quad \begin{aligned} x'(x) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x'_m(x), \\ y'(x) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} y'_m(x) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} z'_m(x) \end{aligned}$$

hold for every $x \in X$.

Let

$$R(\lambda, T) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\lambda - \mu_0)^k T_k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\lambda - \mu_0)^{-k} B_k$$

be a Laurent series for the resolvent $R(\lambda, T) = (\lambda I - T)^{-1}$ of the operator T in the neighborhood of the point μ_0 .

It is well known that

$$B_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_0} R(\lambda, T) d\lambda, \quad B_{k+1} = (T - \mu_0 I) B_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

where C_0 is the boundary of the circle in which only the one point μ_0 of the spectrum $\sigma(T)$ lies.

We assume that $x^{(0)} \in X$ fulfills the condition

$$B_1 x^{(0)} \neq \sigma$$

and that such an index $s \geq 1$ exists that

$$(11) \quad B_s x^{(0)} \neq \sigma, \quad B_{s+1} x^{(0)} = \sigma.$$

Further let

$$(12) \quad x'(B_s x^{(0)}) \neq 0, \quad y'(B_s x^{(0)}) \neq 0.$$

Let

$$(13) \quad x^{(n)} = T x^{(n-1)}, \quad x_{(n)} = \frac{x^{(n)}}{x'_{(n)}(x^{(n)})},$$

$$(14) \quad \mu_m = \frac{z'_m(x^{(m+1)})}{y'_m(x^{(m)})}.$$

Theorem 3. If the operator T has the dominant eigenvalue μ_0 and x_0 is the corresponding eigenvector, then the sequence (13) converges in the norm of space X to the vector x_0 and the numerical sequence (14) converges to μ_0 .

If μ_0 is a simple pole of the resolvent $R(\lambda, T)$, the estimation (6) is correct.

If the eigenvalue μ_0 is positive then the sequence of linear forms in process (13), (14) can be replaced by sequences of seminorms.

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