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ON DETERMINATION OF EIGENVALUES AND EIGENVECTORS OF SELF-ADJOINT OPERATORS

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Two simple methods (1), (2) for approximate determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of linear bounded operators A are considered in the following two cases: (i) the lower-upper bound λ_1 of the spectrum $\sigma(A)$ of A is an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$; (ii) λ_1 (not necessarily an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$; with finite multiplicity) is an eigenvalue of A .

1. Let X be a real Hilbert space with an inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, $A : X \rightarrow X$ a linear self-adjoint operator on X . Since A is self-adjoint and defined on X , A is bounded by the closed graph theorem. Denote by m, λ_1 the exact spectral bounds of A , i.e. $m = \inf \{ \langle Au, u \rangle : \|u\| = 1 \}$, $\lambda_1 = \sup \{ \langle Au, u \rangle : \|u\| = 1 \}$. We shall investigate the Kellogg iteration method for calculation of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A :

$$(1) \quad u_{n+1} = \alpha_{n+1}^{-1} Au_n, \quad \alpha_{n+1} = \|Au_n\|, \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots),$$

where the starting approximation $u_0 \in X$ is such that $u_0 \notin \ker A$, $\|u_0\| = 1$. By our assumption $\alpha_n > 0$ and $u_n \neq 0$ for each n .

Now we briefly describe the second method. Here, in addition, we assume that A is positive on X , i.e. $\langle Au, u \rangle > 0$ for each $u \in X$, $u \neq 0$, and $\langle Au, u \rangle = 0$ implies $u = 0$. Then the spectrum $\sigma(A)$ of A lies on the segment $[m, \lambda_1]$, where $m \geq 0$. Let R denote the set of all reals, $v_0 \in X$ an arbitrary (but fixed) non-zero element of X . Define a functional $f : R \times X \rightarrow X$ by $f(\mu, v) = \|Av - \mu v\|^2$, $\mu \in R$, $v \in X$ and let μ_1 denote that value μ at which the function $\mu \rightarrow f(\mu, v_0)$ assumes its minimal value on R . The condition $f'_\mu(\mu_1, v_0) = 0$ implies that $\mu_1 = \langle Av_0, v_0 \rangle \cdot \|v_0\|^{-2}$. Set $v_1 = \mu_1^{-1} Av_0$. Since A is positive and self-adjoint and $v_0 \neq 0$, we obtain that $\mu_1 > 0$ and $v_1 \neq 0$. In general we get the following procedure for the construction of eigenvalues of A :

$$(2) \quad v_{n+1} = \mu_{n+1}^{-1} Av_n, \quad \mu_{n+1} = \langle Av_n, v_n \rangle \cdot \|v_n\|^{-2},$$

where $\mu_n > 0$ and $v_n \neq 0$ for each n . The method (2) is similar to that of Birger [2]:

$$(3) \quad y_{n+1} = q_{n+1} Ay_n, \quad q_{n+1} = \langle Ay_n, y_n \rangle \|Ay_n\|^{-2},$$

who suggested it together with (1) without any mathematical justification. Nonetheless he found that in engineering problems his methods have some advantages in comparison with the older ones. The methods (2), (3) have been investigated by I. Marek [9], [10], W. V. Petryshyn [12] and the author [4–7], while the method (3) was studied by H. Bückner [3] for linear and nonlinear completely continuous operators having a certain decomposition property.

2. Recall that an operator $A : X \rightarrow X$ is said to be nonnegative if $\langle Au, u \rangle \geq 0$ for each $u \in X$. Let $\{E_\lambda\}$ denote the spectral family of a self-adjoint operator A . Let us remark that each isolated point of $\sigma(A)$ of a self-adjoint operator A is an eigenvalue of A . In the sequel we assume that $A \neq 0$ and the starting approximations u_0, v_0 of (1), (2) satisfy the initial conditions: $\|u_0\| = 1, u_0 \notin \ker A, v_0 \neq 0$, respectively.

Theorem 1. *Let X be a real Hilbert space, $A : X \rightarrow X$ a linear nonnegative self-adjoint operator. If the starting approximation $u_0 \in X$ of (1) is such that $E_\lambda u_0 \neq u_0$ for each $\lambda < \lambda_1$, then $\alpha_n \nearrow \lambda_1$, where α_n is defined by (1).*

Proof. First we prove that (α_n) is an increasing monotone sequence. Since $u_0 \notin \ker A, \|u_0\| = 1$, then $\|u_n\| = 1$ for each n and $\alpha_n^2 = \alpha_n^2 \|u_n\|^2 = \alpha_n \langle Au_{n-1}, u_n \rangle = \alpha_n \langle u_{n-1}, Au_n \rangle = \alpha_n \alpha_{n+1} \langle u_{n-1}, u_{n+1} \rangle = \alpha_n \alpha_{n+1}$. Hence $\alpha_n \leq \alpha_{n+1}$ for each n . Since (α_n) is bounded, there exists $\lim \alpha_n = \alpha$ and $0 < \alpha \leq \lambda_1$. We have to prove that $\alpha = \lambda_1$. Suppose $\alpha < \lambda_1$ and put $a = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha + \lambda_1)$. Then $0 < \alpha_n \leq \alpha < a + \lambda_1$ for all n . Set $\beta = [a, \lambda_1], b = a \cdot \alpha^{-1}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|E_\beta u_{n+1}\|^2 &= \langle E_\beta u_{n+1}, u_{n+1} \rangle = \|u_{n+1}\|^2 - \langle E_a u_{n+1}, u_{n+1} \rangle = \\ &= \int_m^{\lambda_1} d\langle E_\lambda u_{n+1}, u_{n+1} \rangle - \int_m^a d\langle E_\lambda u_{n+1}, u_{n+1} \rangle = \int_a^{\lambda_1} d\langle E_\lambda u_{n+1}, u_{n+1} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

for all n ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). Using (1) and the properties of $\{E_\lambda\}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^{\lambda_1} d\langle E_\lambda u_{n+1}, u_{n+1} \rangle &= \alpha_{n+1}^{-2} \int_a^{\lambda_1} d\langle E_\lambda A^2 u_n, u_n \rangle = \\ &= \alpha_{n+1}^{-2} \int_a^{\lambda_1} d\langle A^2 E_\lambda u_n, u_n \rangle = \alpha_{n+1}^{-2} \int_a^{\lambda_1} \lambda^2 d\langle E_\lambda u_n, u_n \rangle \geq \\ &\geq b^2 \cdot \int_a^{\lambda_1} d\langle E_\lambda u_n, u_n \rangle = b^2 \|E_\beta u_n\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\|E_\beta u_{n+1}\| \geq b \|E_\beta u_n\|$$

for each n . Continuing this process, we get

$$\|E_\beta u_n\| \geq b^n \|E_\beta u_0\|$$

for all $n \geq 1$. Since $E(\beta)u_0 = (E_{\lambda_1} - E_a)u_0 = u_0 - E_a u_0 \neq 0$ by our hypothesis and $b < 1$, we obtain that $\|E_\beta u_n\| \rightarrow +\infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, which contradicts the fact that

$$\|E_\beta u_n\| \leq \|u_n\| = 1.$$

Hence $\alpha_n \nearrow \lambda_1$ and the theorem is proved.

Lemma 1 (Compare [12]). *Let X be a real Hilbert space, $A : X \rightarrow X$ a linear self-adjoint operator, λ_1 and eigenvalue of A . Assume that the starting approximation u_0 of (1) is not orthogonal to $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$.*

Then the sequence (u_n) defined by (1) is of the form $u_n = a_n e_0 + z_n$, where $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$, $z_n \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$ and $a_n > 0$ for each n .

Assume, in addition, that $z_n \neq 0$ for each n in the last representation of u_n . Rewrite $u_0 = a_0 e_0 + z_0$ as $u_0 = a_0 e_0 + b_0 r_0$, where $b_0 = \|z_0\|$, $r_0 = z_0 \|z_0\|^{-1}$.

Then each u_n is of the form $u_n = a_n e_0 + b_n r_n$, where $a_n = \lambda_1 \alpha_n^{-1} a_{n-1}$, $b_n = \alpha_n^{-1} b_{n-1} \|Ar_{n-1}\|$, $r_n \notin \ker A$ and $r_n = Ar_{n-1} \|Ar_{n-1}\|^{-1}$ for each n .

Similar assertions are also valid for (v_n) , where v_n is defined by (2).

Proof. Since $u_0 \notin \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, u_0 is of the form $u_0 = a_0 e_0 + z_0$, where $a_0 > 0$, $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$, $z_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$. Assume that the representation of (u_n) is valid for $n = i$, i.e. $u_i = a_i e_0 + z_i$, where $z_i \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, $a_i > 0$. Then $u_{i+1} = \alpha_{i+1}^{-1} A u_i = a_{i+1} e_0 + z_{i+1}$, where $a_{i+1} = \alpha_{i+1}^{-1} \lambda_1 a_i$, $z_{i+1} = \alpha_{i+1}^{-1} A z_i$.

Our assertion will be proved if we show that $\langle u, z_{i+1} \rangle = 0$ for each $u \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$. But this immediately follows from the assumption that $z_i \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$ and the fact that $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$ is an invariant subspace with respect to A . The rest can be proved quite analogously.

Theorem 2. *Let X be a real Hilbert space, $A : X \rightarrow X$ a linear nonnegative and self-adjoint operator on X . Assume that λ_1 (not necessarily an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$ with finite multiplicity) is an eigenvalue of A and that the starting approximation u_0 of (1) is not orthogonal to $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$.*

Then $\alpha_n \nearrow \lambda_1$. Moreover, if λ_1 is an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$, then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|u_n - e_0\| = 0$, where $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$ and $(\alpha_n), (u_n)$ are defined by (1).

Proof. First of all we prove that $\alpha_n \nearrow \lambda_1$. Since $u_0 \notin \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$ and this subspace is invariant with respect to A , then according to (1) $u_n \notin \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$ for each n . By Lemma 1 each u_n is of the form $u_n = a_n e_0 + z_n$, where $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$, $z_n \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$ and $a_n > 0$. Using (1) and the fact that λ_1 is an eigenvalue of A we get $a_n = \langle u_n, e_0 \rangle = \alpha_n^{-1} \langle A u_{n-1}, e_0 \rangle = \alpha_n^{-1} \lambda_1 \cdot a_{n-1}$. Because (α_n) is a monotone increasing sequence (see the first part of the proof of Theorem 1) and $0 < \alpha_n \leq \lambda_1$, we have that $a_n \geq a_{n-1}$ for each n ($n = 1, 2, \dots$). Moreover, (a_n) is bounded. Passing to the limit in the above equality, we obtain that $\alpha_n \nearrow \lambda_1$.

To prove the second assertion, take λ such that $m < \lambda < \lambda_1$. Then

$$\lambda_1^2 - \alpha_{n+1}^2 \geq (\lambda_1^2 - \lambda^2) \|E_\lambda u_n\|^2.$$

Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1^2 - \alpha_{n+1}^2 &= \lambda_1^2 - \|Au_n\|^2 = \langle (\lambda_1^2 - A^2) u_n, u_n \rangle = \\ &= \int_m^{\lambda_1} (\lambda_1^2 - t^2) d\langle E_t u_n, u_n \rangle \geq \int_m^\lambda (\lambda_1^2 - t^2) d\langle E_t u_n, u_n \rangle \geq \\ &\geq (\lambda_1^2 - \lambda^2) \|E_\lambda u_n\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\alpha_n \nearrow \lambda_1$, we conclude that $\|E_\lambda u_n\| \rightarrow 0$ and $\|(I - E_\lambda) u_n\| \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ because $\|u_n\| = 1$ for each n . Put $P_0 = I - E_{\lambda_1-0}$, then P_0 is a projection of X onto $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$. Since u_n is of the form $u_n = a_n e_0 + z_n$, where $z_n \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, then $P_0 u_0 = a_n e_0$ and $a_n^2 = \|P_0 u_n\|^2$. Since λ_1 is an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$, there exists a constant $M > 0$ such that $\sigma(A) - \{\lambda_1\} \subset [m, M]$. Moreover, λ_1 is an eigenvalue of A and $E_\lambda \rightarrow E_{\lambda_1-0}$ as $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_1 - 0$ in the strong point operator topology of $(X \rightarrow X)$. By our hypothesis the segment (M, λ_1) belongs to the resolvent set of A and hence the family $\{E_\lambda\}$ is constant on (M, λ_1) . Taking λ such that $M < \lambda < \lambda_1$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n - 1| &= \left| \|P_0 u_n\| - 1 \right| \leq \left| \|P_0 u_0\| - \|(I - E_\lambda) u_n\| \right| + \\ &+ \left| \|(I - E_\lambda) u_n\| - 1 \right| = \left| \|(I - E_\lambda) u_n\| - 1 \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $a_n \rightarrow 1$. The equality $\|u_n - e_0\|^2 = 2(1 - a_n)$ completes the proof.

One can similarly prove the following theorem which extends the corresponding result of [6].

Theorem 3. *Assume that A is positive and that the starting approximation v_0 of (2) is not orthogonal to $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$. Under the same conditions of Theorem 2 on X , A and λ_1 we have that $\mu_n \nearrow \lambda_1$ and $\|v_n - Ne_0\| \rightarrow 0$, where $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$ and $N = \sup_n \|v_n\| < \infty$.*

Remark 1. The methods (1), (2) can be used for an approximate determination of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of linear bounded operators. Indeed, if T is an arbitrary linear bounded operator, then $A = T^*T$ is self-adjoint and nonnegative.

Theorem 4. *Let X be a real Hilbert space, $A : X \rightarrow X$ a linear nonnegative self-adjoint operator on X . Suppose that λ_1 is an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$ of A (i.e. there exists a constant M such that $\sigma(A) - \{\lambda_1\} \subset [m, M]$).*

Then

$$(i) \quad \alpha_{n+1}^2 \leq \lambda_1^2 \leq \alpha_{n+1}^2 + \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{M}\right)^2 (\lambda_1^2 - \alpha_n^2), \quad n \geq 1.$$

If the starting approximateion u_0 of (1) is not orthogonal to $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, then

$$(ii) \quad \|\mu_n - \langle \mu_n, e_0 \rangle e_0\|^2 \leq \frac{\lambda_1^2 - \alpha_n^2}{\lambda_1^2 - M^2}.$$

Moreover, if the process (u_n) is not finite, then

$$(iii) \quad \|u_n - e_0\|^2 \leq 2 \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{\lambda_1 - m}{\lambda_1} \|u_{n-1} - e_0\|,$$

where (u_n) , (α_n) are defined by (1), $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$.

Proof. We prove (i). According to (1) we have that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \lambda_1^2 - \alpha_{n+1}^2 = \lambda_1^2 - \|Au_n\|^2 = \langle (\lambda_1^2 - A^2) u_n, u_n \rangle = \\ &= \langle \alpha_n^{-2} (\lambda_1^2 - A^2) A^2 u_{n-1}, u_{n-1} \rangle = \\ &= \alpha_n^{-2} \int_m^{\lambda_1} (\lambda_1^2 - \lambda^2) \lambda^2 d\langle E_\lambda u_{n-1}, u_{n-1} \rangle \leq \\ &\leq \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2 \int_m^M (\lambda_1^2 - \lambda^2) d\langle E_\lambda u_{n-1}, u_{n-1} \rangle = \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2 (\lambda_1^2 - \alpha_n^2), \end{aligned}$$

for the family $\{E_\lambda\}$ is constant on the interval (M, λ_1) .

(ii) Since λ_1 is an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$ of A , λ_1 is an eigenvalue of A . Because $u_0 \notin \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, then according to Lemma 1 each u_n is of the form $u_n = a_n e_0 + z_n$ where $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$, $z_n \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, $a_n > 0$, $n \geq 1$. Then $\|u_n\|^2 = a_n^2 + \|z_n\|^2 = 1$ and

$$\|Au_n\|^2 = \langle A^2 u_n, u_n \rangle = \lambda_1^2 a_n^2 + \langle A^2 z_n, z_n \rangle,$$

because $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$ are invariant subspaces with respect to A . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1^2 - \alpha_{n+1}^2 &= \lambda_1^2 - \|Au_n\|^2 = \lambda_1^2 (a_n^2 + \|z_n\|^2) - \lambda_1^2 a_n^2 - \langle A^2 z_n, z_n \rangle = \\ &= \lambda_1^2 \|z_n\|^2 - \langle A^2 z_n, z_n \rangle = \langle (\lambda_1^2 - A^2) z_n, z_n \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since the segment $J = (M, \lambda_1)$ belongs to the resolvent set of A , the family $\{E_\lambda\}$ is constant on J . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (\lambda_1^2 - A^2) z_n, z_n \rangle &= \int_m^{\lambda_1} (\lambda_1^2 - \lambda^2) d\langle E_\lambda z_n, z_n \rangle = \\ &= \int_m^M (\lambda_1^2 - \lambda^2) d\langle E_\lambda z_n, z_n \rangle \geq (\lambda_1^2 - M^2) \|z_n\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\|u_n - a_n e_0\| = \|u_n - \langle u_n, e_0 \rangle e_0\| = \|z_n\|$, we obtain the desired estimation at once from the last inequality.

(iii) By the second part of Lemma 1 each (u_n) is of the form $u_n = a_n e_0 + b_n r_n$ where $a_n = \alpha_n^{-1} a_{n-1} \lambda_1$, $b_n = \alpha_n^{-1} b_{n-1} \|Ar_{n-1}\|$, $b_0 = \|z_0\|$, $r_n = Ar_{n-1} \|Ar_{n-1}\|^{-1}$, $r_0 = z_0 \cdot \|z_0\|^{-1}$ and $r_n \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, $\|r_n\| = 1$ for each n . Since $\|u_n\|^2 = a_n^2 + b_n^2 = 1$ and the segment (M, λ_1) belongs to the resolvent set of A , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} b_n^2 &= \frac{b_{n-1}^2}{\alpha_n^2} \|Ar_{n-1}\|^2 = \frac{b_{n-1}^2}{\alpha_n^2} \int_m^{\lambda_1} \lambda^2 d\langle E_\lambda r_{n-1}, r_{n-1} \rangle = \frac{b_{n-1}^2}{\alpha_n^2} \int_m^M \lambda^2 d\langle E_\lambda r_{n-1}, r_{n-1} \rangle \leq \\ &\leq b_{n-1}^2 \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2 \int_m^M d\langle E_\lambda r_{n-1}, r_{n-1} \rangle = b_{n-1}^2 \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$b_n^2 = 1 - a_n^2 \leq \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2 (1 - a_{n-1}^2).$$

We show that the sequence (a_n) , where $a_n = \langle u_n, e_0 \rangle$, is monotone increasing. Since (α_n) is monotone increasing, $0 < \alpha_n \leq \lambda_1$, and $a_n = \langle u_n, e_0 \rangle = \alpha_n^{-1} \cdot \langle Au_{n-1}, e_0 \rangle = \alpha_n^{-1} \lambda_1 \langle u_{n-1}, e_0 \rangle = \alpha_n^{-1} \lambda_1 a_{n-1}$, we have that $a_{n-1} \leq a_n$ for each $n \geq 1$. Therefore $0 < 1 + a_{n-1} \leq 1 + a_n$ and $1 - a_n \leq M^2 \alpha_n^{-2} (1 - a_{n-1})$.

Furthermore,

$$\|u_n - e_0\|^2 = 2 - 2\langle u_n, e_0 \rangle = 2(1 - a_n) \leq 2 \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2 (1 - a_{n-1}).$$

On the other hand, $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$ and the spectral theorem imply that

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - a_{n-1} &= \langle u_{n-1} - \lambda_1^{-1} A e_0, u_{n-1} \rangle = \\ &= \lambda_1^{-1} \int_m^{\lambda_1} (\lambda_1 - \lambda) d\langle E_\lambda (u_{n-1} - e_0), u_{n-1} \rangle \leq \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda_1 - m}{\lambda_1} \int_m^{\lambda_1} d\|E_\lambda (u_{n-1} - e_0)\| = \frac{\lambda_1 - m}{\lambda_1} \|u_{n-1} - e_0\|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the estimation (iii) at once follows from the last relation and the above inequality. The proof is complete.

Theorem 5. *Suppose that the conditions of Theorem 4 on X , A and λ_1 are satisfied. If A is positive, then*

$$(i) \quad 0 \leq \lambda_1 - \mu_{n+1} \leq \left(\frac{M}{\mu_n}\right)^2 (\lambda_1 - \mu_n).$$

If $v_0 \notin \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, where v_0 is a starting approximation of (2), then

$$(ii) \quad \|v_n - \langle v_n, e_0 \rangle e_0\|^2 \leq \frac{\lambda_1 - \mu_n}{\lambda_1 - M} \|v_n\|^2.$$

In case (v_n) is not finite, then

$$(iii) \quad \|v_n - e_0\|v_n\| \leq 2 \left(\frac{M}{\mu_n}\right)^2 \|v_n\| (\|v_{n-1}\| - \langle v_{n-1}, e_0 \rangle),$$

where $(\mu_n), (v_n)$ are defined by (2) and $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$.

Proof. We sketch only the proof of (iii). Each v_n of (v_n) can be expressed in the form $v_n = p_n e_0 + q_n f_n$, where $p_n = \langle v_n, e_0 \rangle > 0$, q_n are constants, $e_0 \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, $\|e_0\| = 1$, $f_n \in \ker(A - \lambda_1 I)^\perp$, $\|f_n\| = 1$. Similarly as in the proof of Theorem 4 one can conclude that

$$\|v_n\|^2 - p_n^2 \leq \left(\frac{M}{\mu_n}\right)^2 (\|v_{n-1}\|^2 - p_{n-1}^2).$$

Since the sequence (v_n) is bounded and $\mu_n \nearrow \lambda_1$, (p_n) is monotone increasing and bounded. Moreover, we have that

$$0 < \|v_{n-1}\| + p_{n-1} \leq \|v_n\| + p_n.$$

Hence the above two inequalities imply that

$$\|v_n\| - p_n \leq \left(\frac{M}{\mu_n}\right)^2 (\|v_{n-1}\| - p_{n-1}).$$

The equality

$$\|v_n - \|v_n\|e_0\|^2 = 2\|v_n\| (\|v_n\| - \langle v_n, e_0 \rangle)$$

completes the proof.

Remark 2. Under the assumptions of Theorems 4, 5 there exist sufficiently large integers n_0, n_1 such that for each p ($p = 1, 2, \dots$) we have

$$0 \leq \lambda_1^2 - \alpha_{n_0+p}^2 \leq \beta_{n_0+p-1}^2 \cdot \beta_{n_0+p-2}^2 \cdots \beta_{n_0}^2 (\lambda_1^2 - \alpha_{n_0}^2),$$

$$0 \leq \lambda_1 - \mu_{n_1+p} \leq \gamma_{n_1+p-1}^2 \cdot \gamma_{n_1+p-2}^2 \cdots \gamma_{n_1}^2 (\lambda_1 - \mu_{n_1}),$$

where $0 < \beta_{n_0+p-1} \leq \beta_{n_0+p-2} \leq \cdots \leq \beta_{n_0} < 1$, $\gamma_{n_1+p-1} \leq \gamma_{n_1+p-2} \leq \cdots \leq \gamma_{n_1} < 1$,

$$\beta_{n_0+i} = M\alpha_{n_0+i}^{-1}, \gamma_{n_1+i} = \mu_{n_1+i}^{-1}M, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, p-1.$$

The estimations at once follow from Theorem 4, 5, the facts that $\alpha_n \nearrow \lambda_1$, $\mu_n \nearrow \lambda_1$ and the hypothesis that λ_1 is an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$.

The inequalities

$$\|u_n - e_0\| \leq 2 \left(\frac{M}{\alpha_n}\right)^2 (1 - \lambda_1^{n-1} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \alpha_k\right)^{-1} \langle u_0, e_0 \rangle),$$

$$\|v_n - \|v_n\|e_0\| \leq 2 \left(\frac{M}{\mu_n}\right)^2 (\|v_{n-1}\| - \lambda_1^{n-1} \left(\prod_{k=1}^n \mu_k\right)^{-1} \langle v_0, e_0 \rangle)$$

which at once follow from Theorem 4, 5, respectively, provide further estimations for the methods (1) and (2).

Now we derive the error estimations under the general condition that λ_1 (not necessarily an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$ with finite multiplicity) is an eigenvalue of A . We do it for instance for the method (2); a similar result also holds for the procedure (1).

Theorem 6. *Let X be a real Hilbert space, $A : X \rightarrow X$ a linear positive and self-adjoint operator on X . Assume that λ_1 (not necessarily an isolated point of $\sigma(A)$ with finite multiplicity) is an eigenvalue of A . Suppose that the starting approximation $v_0 \in X$ of (1) is not orthogonal to $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$. If $0 < \varepsilon < \lambda_1 - m$, then*

$$(4) \quad (\lambda_1 - \varepsilon) \|P_\varepsilon w_n\|^2 \leq \mu_n \leq \lambda_1 - \varepsilon(1 - \|P_\varepsilon w_n\|^2),$$

$$\lambda_1 \|P_0 w_n\|^2 \leq \mu_n \leq \lambda_1$$

for each n , where m, λ_1 are the exact spectral bounds of $\sigma(A)$ of A , $P_\varepsilon = E_{\lambda_1} - E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}$, $P_0 = E_{\lambda_1} - E_{\lambda_1 - 0}$, $w_n = v_n \|v_n\|^{-1}$, v_n and μ_n are defined by (2) and $\|P_\varepsilon w_n\| \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. Let ε be an arbitrary number such that $0 < \varepsilon < \lambda_1 - m$, where m, λ_1 are the exact spectral bounds of $\sigma(A)$ of A . Denote by $R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})$ the range of $E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}$, i.e. $R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}) = \{u \in X : u = E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon} v, v \in X\}$. The properties of the spectral family imply that the closed subspaces $R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})$, $R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})^\perp$ are invariant with respect to A . Set $w_n = v_n \|v_n\|^{-1}$, ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$). Then each w_n can be uniquely expressed in the form $w_n = a_n^{(\varepsilon)} g_n + b_n^{(\varepsilon)} \tilde{z}_n$, where $g_n \in R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})^\perp$, $\tilde{z}_n \in R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})$, $\|g_n\| = \|\tilde{z}_n\| = 1$ and $(a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 + (b_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 = 1$. We show that $\lim_n (b_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 = 0$. We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= \langle Aw_n, w_n \rangle = \lambda_1 - \langle A(a_n^{(\varepsilon)} g_n + b_n^{(\varepsilon)} \tilde{z}_n), a_n^{(\varepsilon)} g_n + b_n^{(\varepsilon)} \tilde{z}_n \rangle = \\ &= \lambda_1((a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 + (b_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2) - (a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 \langle Ag_n, g_n \rangle - (b_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 \langle A\tilde{z}_n, \tilde{z}_n \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

We estimate the products $\langle Ag_n, g_n \rangle$, $\langle A\tilde{z}_n, \tilde{z}_n \rangle$. Clearly, $\langle Ag_n, g_n \rangle \leq \lambda_1 \cdot \|g_n\|^2 = \lambda_1$. Since $\tilde{z}_n \in R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})$, there are $h_n \in X$ such that $\tilde{z}_n = E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}(h_n)$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A\tilde{z}_n, \tilde{z}_n \rangle &= \langle AE_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon} h_n, h_n \rangle = \int_u^{\lambda_1} \lambda d\langle E_\lambda E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon} h_n, h_n \rangle = \\ &= \int_m^{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon} \lambda d\langle E_\lambda h_n, h_n \rangle \leq (\lambda_1 - \varepsilon) \int_m^{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon} d\|E_\lambda(h_n)\|^2 = \\ &= (\lambda_1 - \varepsilon) \|E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}(h_n)\|^2 = (\lambda_1 - \varepsilon) \|\tilde{z}_n\|^2 = \lambda_1 - \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\lambda_1 - \langle Aw_n, w_n \rangle \geq \varepsilon (b_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2$. However, Theorem 3 implies that $\lim_n (\lambda_1 - \langle Aw_n, w_n \rangle) = 0$, and hence $\lim_n (b_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 = 0$. We obtain

$$(5) \quad \lambda_1 - \varepsilon(1 - (a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2) \geq \mu_n$$

and $(a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Put $P_\varepsilon = I - E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}$, $P_0 = I - E_{\lambda_1 - 0}$. Then $R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})^\perp = X \ominus R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}) = E_{\lambda_1}(X) \ominus E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}(X) = P_\varepsilon(X)$, $P_\varepsilon \rightarrow P_0$ in the point norm topology of $(X \rightarrow X)$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0_+$, and P_ε, P_0 are the projectors onto $R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})^\perp$, $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$, respectively. Then $P_\varepsilon(w_n) = a_n^{(\varepsilon)}g_n$ and $\|P_\varepsilon(w_n)\|^2 = (a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Furthermore, $\langle Ag_n, g_n \rangle \geq \lambda_1 - \varepsilon$ for each $n \geq 0$. Indeed, since $g_n \in R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})^\perp$ and $P_\varepsilon(X) = R(E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon})^\perp$, there are $c_n \in X$ such that $g_n = P_\varepsilon(c_n)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Ag_n, g_n \rangle &= \langle AP_\varepsilon c_n, c_n \rangle = \int_m^{\lambda_1} \lambda \, d\langle E_\lambda c_n, c_n \rangle - \int_m^{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon} \lambda \, d\langle E_\lambda c_n, c_n \rangle = \\ &= \int_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}^{\lambda_1} \lambda \, d\langle E_\lambda c_n, c_n \rangle \geq (\lambda_1 - \varepsilon) \int_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon}^{\lambda_1} d\langle E_\lambda c_n, c_n \rangle = \\ &= (\lambda_1 - \varepsilon) \|g_n\|^2 = \lambda_1 - \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\langle Aw_n, w_n \rangle = (a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 \langle Ag_n, g_n \rangle + (b_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 \langle A\tilde{z}_n, \tilde{z}_n \rangle$$

and $(a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 = \|P_\varepsilon w_n\|^2$ for each n , we have that

$$\|P_\varepsilon w_n\|^2 (\lambda_1 - \varepsilon) \leq (a_n^{(\varepsilon)})^2 \langle Ag_n, g_n \rangle \leq \langle Aw_n, w_n \rangle = \mu_n \leq \lambda_1.$$

Now the first estimation at once follows from the last inequality and (5), while the second one is a consequence of (4) and the fact that $P_\varepsilon \rightarrow P_0$ as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0_+$ in the point norm topology of $(X \rightarrow X)$. Theorem 6 is proved.

Remark 3. The estimation

$$\mu_n \leq \lambda_1 - \varepsilon \|E_{\lambda_1 - \varepsilon} w_n\|^2 \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots).$$

holds, where $(\mu_n), (v_n)$ are defined by (2) and $w_n = \|v_n\|^{-1} v_n$, $0 < \varepsilon < \lambda_1 - m$. Note that this estimate is rather worse than the corresponding one on the right hand side of (4).

Theorem 7. Under all the other condition of Theorem 6 on X, A , assume only that A is nonnegative. Assume that the starting approximation u_0 of (1) is not orthogonal to $\ker(A - \lambda_1 I)$. If $0 < \varepsilon < \lambda_1 - m$, then

$$(\lambda_1 - \varepsilon)^2 \|P_\varepsilon u_n\|^2 \leq \alpha_n^2 \leq \lambda_1^2 - \varepsilon(2\lambda_1 - \varepsilon)(1 - \|P_\varepsilon u_n\|^2),$$

$$\lambda_1 \|P_0 u_n\| \leq \alpha_n \leq \lambda_1$$

for each n , where m, λ_1, P_0 have the same meaning as in Theorem 6 and $\|P_\varepsilon(u_n)\| \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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Souhrn

К УРЧЕНИИ ВЛАСТНЫХ ЧИСЕЛ А ВЛАСТНЫХ ФУНКЦИ SAMOAJUNGOVANYCH OPERÁTORŮ

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V článku jsou vyšetřeny jednoduché metody (1), (2) pro výpočet vlastních čísel a vlastních funkcí lineárních samoadjungovaných operátorů. Je ukázáno, že obě metody konvergují i v případě, kdy přesná horní hranice λ_1 spektra $\sigma(A)$ operátoru A není izolovaným bodem spektra $\sigma(A)$ s konečnou násobností. Jsou odvozeny odhady chyb pro konvergenci obou metod a je ukázáno, že je lze též užít i pro výpočet vlastních čísel lineárních ohraničených operátorů.

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