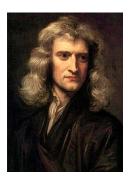
Spectral Problems and the Solvability Complexity Index

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Classical Mechanics



Described by Ordinary Differential Equations

$$y'(x) = f(x, y(x)),$$
 $y(0) = y_0.$



Question: For T > 0, can we always construct approximations to the solution y(T) to

$$y'(x) = f(x, y(x)), y(0) = y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

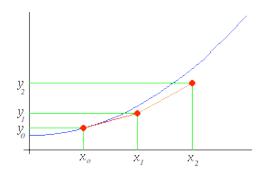
by using finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of elements in

$$\{f(x,z): x \in \mathbb{R}, z \in \mathbb{R}^d\} \cup \{y_0\}$$
?

Answer: Yes! Even the simplest method of Euler

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$$

gives a convergent sequence of approximations.



Movivation

Quantum Mechanics



Described by linear operators on Hilbert spaces, for example the Schrodinger operator:

$$(Hf)(x) = -\Delta f(x) + V(x)f(x)$$

Non-Hermitian Quantum Mechanics

- ▶ Open Systems: Then the time evolution operator e^{-itH} cannot be unitary. Thus, H cannot be self-adjoint.
- Resonances.

Question:

Can we always construct approximations to the spectrum $\sigma(H)$ of

$$H = -\Delta + V$$

by using finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of elements in

$$\{V(x): x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$$
?

Answer: Not Known!

The Finite Matrix

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix},$$

Question:

Can we always construct approximations to the spectrum $\sigma(A)$ by using finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of elements in

$$\{a_{ij}: 1 \leq i, j \leq n\}?$$

The Finite Matrix

Answer: YES!

The Infinite Matrix

Let \mathcal{H} be a separable Hilbert space with an orthonormal basis $\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$. Let T be a linear operator such that $\mathcal{D}(T)\supset \operatorname{span}(\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}})$ such that we can form the infinite matrix

$$T = egin{pmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} & t_{13} & \dots \ t_{21} & t_{22} & t_{23} & \dots \ t_{31} & t_{32} & t_{33} & \dots \ dots & dots & dots & dots \end{pmatrix}, \qquad t_{ij} = \langle \mathit{Te}_j, e_i
angle$$

Question: Suppose that T is compact. Can we always construct approximations to the spectrum $\sigma(T)$ by using finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of elements in

$$\{t_{ij}: i,j\in\mathbb{N}\}$$
?



The Infinite Matrix

Answer: YES!

How to Compute Spectra of Compact Infinite Matrices

Suppose that

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} & t_{13} & \dots \\ t_{21} & t_{22} & t_{23} & \dots \\ t_{31} & t_{32} & t_{33} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

is compact. Let P_m be the projection onto $\operatorname{span}\{e_1,\ldots,e_m\}$. Compute $\sigma(P_mTP_m)$. Then $\sigma(P_mTP_m)\to\sigma(T)$ as $m\to\infty$. Note that there are two limits to be taken:

The General Question

Suppose that

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} & t_{13} & \dots \\ t_{21} & t_{22} & t_{23} & \dots \\ t_{31} & t_{32} & t_{33} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

Question: Can we always construct approximations to the spectrum $\sigma(T)$ by using finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of elements in

$$\{t_{ij}:i,j\in\mathbb{N}\}$$
?



The General Question

Answer: We will try to find out.

Discontinuity of the Spectrum

The computational spectral problem in infinite dimensions is much more delicate than the finite-dimensional case. One reason is the possibly discontinuous behavior of the spectrum as the following well known example shows. Let $A_{\epsilon}: I^2(\mathbb{Z}) \to I^2(\mathbb{Z})$ be defined by

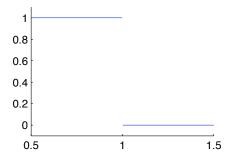
$$(A_{\epsilon}f)(n) = egin{cases} \epsilon f(n+1) & n=0 \\ f(n+1) & n \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

Now for $\epsilon \neq 0$ we have $\sigma(A_{\epsilon}) = \{z : |z| = 1\}$ but for $\epsilon = 0$ then $\sigma(A_0) = \{z : |z| \leq 1\}$.

Computing with Discontinuous Functions

Question: Does it even make sense to compute with discontinuous functions?

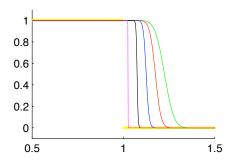
Consider the following function *f*:



Suppose we want to compute f(1), but our input values are $1+\frac{1}{2},1-\frac{1}{2},1+\frac{1}{3},1-\frac{1}{3},\ldots$, so that $\lim_{n\to\infty}f(x_n)$ does not exist. Does that mean that we cannot compute f(1)?

Computing with Discontinuous Functions

Suggestion: What if we choose a sequence of continuous functions $\{f_k\}$ such that $f_k \to f$ pointwise, e.g.



Then

$$f(1) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} f_k(x_n).$$



The *n*-pseudospectrum

Definition

Let T be a closed operator on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} such that $\sigma(T) \neq \mathbb{C}$, and let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and $\epsilon > 0$. The (n, ϵ) -pseudospectrum of T is defined as the set

$$\sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T) = \sigma(T) \cup \{z \notin \sigma(T) : \|(T-z)^{-2^n}\|^{1/2^n} > \epsilon^{-1}\}.$$

The *n*-pseudospectrum

Theorem

Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $\epsilon > 0$. Then the following is true:

- (i) $\sigma_{n+1,\epsilon}(T) \subset \sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T)$.
- (ii) Let $\omega_{\epsilon}(\sigma(T))$ denote the ϵ -neighborhood around $\sigma(T)$. Then

$$d_H\left(\overline{\sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T)},\overline{\omega_{\epsilon}(\sigma(T))}\right)\longrightarrow 0, \qquad n\to\infty.$$

(iii) If $\{T_k\} \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $T_k \to T$ in norm, it follows that

$$d_H\left(\overline{\sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T_k)},\overline{\sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T)}\right)\longrightarrow 0, \qquad k\to\infty.$$



Tests with Discontinuity

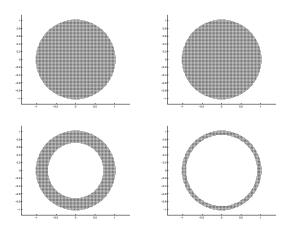


Figure: The figure shows $\sigma_{2,\epsilon}(A_0)$, $\sigma_{2,\epsilon}(A_{10^{-16}})$, $\sigma_{1,\epsilon}(A_{0.005})$, and $\sigma_{2,\epsilon}(A_{0.005})$, for $\epsilon = 0.025$.



The Solvability Complexity Index

The Complexity Index is least amount of limits required to compute $\sigma(T)$.

Estimating Functions

Definition

Let $\mathcal H$ be a Hilbert space spanned by $\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb N}$ and let

$$\Upsilon = \{ T \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H}) : \operatorname{span}\{e_j\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{D}(T) \}. \tag{1}$$

Let $\Delta \subset \Upsilon$ and $\Xi : \Delta \to \Omega$, where Ω denotes the collection of closed subsets of \mathbb{C} . Let

$$\Pi_{\Delta} = \{\{x_{ij}\}_{i,j\in\mathbb{N}} : \exists \ T \in \Delta, \ x_{ij} = \langle Te_j, e_i \rangle\}.$$

A set of estimating functions of order k for Ξ is a family of functions

$$\Gamma_{n_1}: \Pi_{\Delta} \to \Omega, \Gamma_{n_1,n_2}: \Pi_{\Delta} \to \Omega, \ldots, \Gamma_{n_1,\ldots,n_{k-1}}: \Pi_{\Delta} \to \Omega,$$

$$\Gamma_{n_1,\ldots,n_k}:\{\{x_{ij}\}_{i,j\leq N(n_1,\ldots,n_k)}:\{x_{ij}\}_{i,j\in\mathbb{N}}\in\Pi_{\Delta}\}\to\Omega,$$

where $N(n_1,\ldots,n_k)<\infty$ depends on n_1,\ldots,n_k

Estimating Functions

Definition

with the following properties:

- (i) The evaluation of $\Gamma_{n_1,...,n_k}(\{x_{ij}\})$ requires only finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of the elements $\{x_{ij}\}_{i,j\leq N(n_1,...,n_k)}$.
- (ii) Also, we have the following relation between the limits

$$\Xi(T) = \lim_{n_1 \to \infty} \Gamma_{n_1}(\{x_{ij}\}),$$

$$\Gamma_{n_1}(\{x_{ij}\}) = \lim_{n_2 \to \infty} \Gamma_{n_1, n_2}(\{x_{ij}\}),$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\Gamma_{n_1, \dots, n_{k-1}}(\{x_{ij}\}) = \lim_{n_k \to \infty} \Gamma_{n_1, \dots, n_k}(\{x_{ij}\}).$$

The limit is defined as follows, for $\omega \in \Omega$ then $\omega = \lim_{n \to \infty} \omega_n$ if and only if, for any compact ball K such that $\omega \cap K^o \neq \emptyset$ we have $d_H(\omega \cap K, \omega_n \cap K) \to 0$, when $n \to \infty$.

Solvability Complexity Index

Definition

Let \mathcal{H} be a Hilbert space spanned by $\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$, define Υ as in (1), and let $\Delta\subset\Upsilon$. A set valued function

$$\Xi:\Delta\subset\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H}) o\Omega$$

is said to have Solvability Complexity Index k if k is the smallest integer for which there exists a set of estimating functions of order k for Ξ . Also, Ξ is said to have infinite Solvability Complexity Index if no set of estimating functions exists. If there is a function

$$\Gamma: \{\{x_{ij}\}: \exists \ T \in \Delta, \ x_{ij} = \langle \mathit{Te}_j, e_i \rangle\} \to \Omega$$

such that $\Gamma(\{x_{ij}\}) = \Xi(T)$, and the evaluation of $\Gamma(\{x_{ij}\})$ requires only finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of a finite subset of $\{x_{ij}\}$, then Ξ is said to have Solvability Complexity Index zero. The Solvability Complexity Index of a function Ξ will be denoted by $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi)$.



Example

- ▶ Let \mathcal{H} be a Hilbert space with basis $\{e_j\}$, $\Delta = \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and $\Xi(T) = \sigma(T)$ for $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Suppose that $\dim(\mathcal{H}) \leq 4$. Then Ξ must have Solvability Complexity Index zero, since one can obviously express the eigenvalues of T using finitely many arithmetic operations and radicals of the matrix elements $x_{ij} = \langle Te_i, e_i \rangle$.
- ▶ For $\dim(\mathcal{H}) \geq 5$ then obviously $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi) > 0$, by the much celebrated theory of Abel on the unsolvability of the quintic using radicals.
- Now, what about compact operators? Suppose for a moment that we can show that $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi)=1$ if $\dim(\mathcal{H})<\infty$. A standard way of determining the spectrum of a compact operator T is to let P_n be the projection onto $\mathrm{span}\{e_j\}_{j\leq n}$ and compute the spectrum of $P_nA\lceil_{P_n\mathcal{H}}$. This approach is justified since $\sigma(P_nA\lceil_{P_n\mathcal{H}})\to\sigma(T)$ as $n\to\infty$. By the assumption on the Solvability Complexity Index in finite dimensions, it follows that if Δ denotes the set of compact operators then $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi)\leq 2$.

Theoretical Results

Theorem

Let $\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ be a basis for the Hilbert space \mathcal{H} and let $\Delta=\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Define, for $n\in\mathbb{Z}_+,\epsilon>0$, the set valued functions

$$\Xi_1,\Xi_2,\Xi_3:\Delta\to\Omega,$$

$$\Xi_1(T) = \overline{\sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T)}, \quad \Xi_2(T) = \overline{\omega_{\epsilon}(\sigma(T))}, \quad \Xi_3(T) = \sigma(T).$$

Then

$$SC_{\operatorname{ind}}(\Xi_1) \leq 2$$
, $SC_{\operatorname{ind}}(\Xi_2) \leq 3$, $SC_{\operatorname{ind}}(\Xi_3) \leq 3$.

The Estimating Functions I

Let $x_{ij} = \langle Te_j, e_i \rangle$ for $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$. Also, define the set

$$\Theta_k = \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \Re z, \Im z = r\delta, r \in \mathbb{Z}, |r| \le k \}, \qquad \delta = \sqrt{\frac{1}{k}}, \quad (2)$$

and define the set of estimating functions Γ_{n_1,n_2} and Γ_{n_1} in the following way. Let

$$\Gamma_{n_{1},n_{2}}(\lbrace x_{ij}\rbrace) = \lbrace z \in \Theta_{n_{2}} : \nexists L \in LT_{pos}(P_{n_{1}}\mathcal{H}), T_{\epsilon,n_{1},n_{2}}(z) = LL^{*}\rbrace
\cup \lbrace z \in \Theta_{n_{2}} : \nexists L \in LT_{pos}(P_{n_{1}}\mathcal{H}), \widetilde{T}_{\epsilon,n_{1},n_{2}}(z) = LL^{*}\rbrace,
\Gamma_{n_{1}}(\lbrace x_{ij}\rbrace) = \lbrace z \in \mathbb{C} : (-\infty,0] \cap \sigma(T_{\epsilon,n_{1}}(z)) \neq \emptyset\rbrace
\cup \lbrace z \in \mathbb{C} : (-\infty,0] \cap \sigma(\widetilde{T}_{\epsilon,n_{1}}(z)) \neq \emptyset\rbrace,$$
(3)

The Estimating Functions II

where $LT_{\rm pos}(P_m\mathcal{H})$ denotes the set of lower triangular matrices in $\mathcal{B}(P_m\mathcal{H})$ (with respect to $\{e_j\}$) with strictly positive diagonal elements and

$$T_{\epsilon,n_{1},n_{2}}(z) = T_{n_{1},n_{2}}(z) - \epsilon^{2^{n+1}}I,$$

$$\widetilde{T}_{\epsilon,n_{1},n_{2}}(z) = \widetilde{T}_{n_{1},n_{2}}(z) - \epsilon^{2^{n+1}}I,$$

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(4)

$$T_{m}(z) = P_{m}((T-z)^{*})^{2^{n}}(T-z)^{2^{n}}\Big[_{P_{m}\mathcal{H}}$$

$$T_{m,k}(z) = P_{m}((P_{k}(T-z)P_{k})^{*})^{2^{n}}(P_{k}(T-z)P_{k})^{2^{n}}\Big[_{P_{m}\mathcal{H}},$$

$$\widetilde{T}_{m}(z) = P_{m}(T-z)^{2^{n}}((T-z)^{*})^{2^{n}}\Big[_{P_{m}\mathcal{H}},$$

$$\widetilde{T}_{m,k}(z) = P_{m}(P_{k}(T-z)P_{k})^{2^{n}}((P_{k}(T-z)P_{k})^{*})^{2^{n}}\Big[_{P_{m}\mathcal{H}},$$
(5)

Theoretical Results

Theorem

Let $\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ be a basis for the Hilbert space \mathcal{H} and let d be a positive integer. Define

$$\Delta = \{ \textit{T} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}) : \langle \textit{T}e_{j+1}, e_j \rangle = \langle \textit{T}e_j, e_{j+1} \rangle = 0, \quad \textit{I} > \textit{d} \}.$$

Let
$$\epsilon>0$$
 and $n\in\mathbb{Z}_+$ and $\Xi_1,\Xi_2,\Xi_3:\Delta\to\Omega$ be defined by $\Xi_1(T)=\overline{\sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T)},\ \Xi_2(T)=\overline{\omega_\epsilon(\sigma(T))}$ and $\Xi_3(T)=\sigma(T)$. Then

$$\label{eq:condition} \textit{SC}_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_1) = 1, \qquad \textit{SC}_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_2) \leq 2, \qquad \textit{SC}_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_3) \leq 2.$$

Spectral Theory for Laurent operators

Given a Laurent operator A_L on $I^2(\mathbb{Z})$

$$A_{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \dots & a_{0} & a_{-1} & a_{-2} & a_{-3} & \dots \\ \dots & a_{1} & a_{0} & a_{-1} & a_{-2} & \dots \\ \dots & a_{2} & a_{1} & a_{0} & a_{-1} & \dots \\ \dots & a_{3} & a_{2} & a_{1} & a_{0} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

 A_L is a bounded operator if and only if there is a function $f \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})$, where \mathbb{T} denotes the circle, such that $\{a_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ is the sequence of Fourier coefficients of f, that is

$$a_n = rac{1}{2\pi} \int f(e^{i heta}) e^{-in heta} \, d heta, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Also, $\sigma(A_L) = \mathcal{R}(f)$, where $\mathcal{R}(f)$ denotes the essential range of f.



Spectral Theory for Toeplitz operators

Given a Toeplitz operator A_T on $I^2(\mathbb{Z}_+)$

$$A_{T} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{0} & a_{-1} & a_{-2} & a_{-3} & \dots \\ a_{1} & a_{0} & a_{-1} & a_{-2} & \dots \\ a_{2} & a_{1} & a_{0} & a_{-1} & \dots \\ a_{3} & a_{2} & a_{1} & a_{0} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that if $t\mapsto f(e^{it}),\ t\in[0,2\pi]$ is a continuous function, then $\mathcal{R}(f)=f(\mathbb{T})$ is a curve in \mathbb{C} , and hence we can assign a winding number to every point $z\in\mathbb{C}$ with respect to the curve. We then have that $\sigma(A_T)$ is equal to this curve together with all complex numbers with non-zero winding number with respect to the curve.

Tests with Laurent and Toeplitz operators

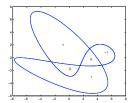
In the examples we have chosen Laurent and Toeplitz operators with symbols

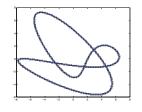
$$f_1(z) = 2z^{-3} - z^{-2} + 2iz^{-1} - 4z^2 - 2iz^3$$

and

$$f_2(z) = z^{-2} + z^{-1} + 1 + 2z,$$

Tests with Toeplitz I





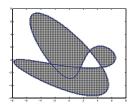
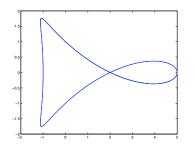


Figure: First figure shows the curve of f_1 . Second figure shows $\Gamma_k^{n,\epsilon}(x_{ij}^L)$, and the third figure shows $\Gamma_k^{n,\epsilon}(x_{ij}^T)$ for $n=2,\,\epsilon=0.15$ and k=3000

Tests with Toeplitz II



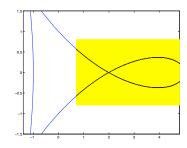


Figure: First figure shows the curve of f_2 . Second figure shows $\Gamma_k^{n,\epsilon}(x_{ij}^L)$, for $n=1, \epsilon=0.01$ and k=6000.

Tests with the Operator $\Psi(Q)$ for $\Psi \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ I

Let

$$\Psi(x) = \frac{i(\exp(-2\pi i x) - 1)}{2\pi x}, \qquad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

and consider the following Gabor basis for $L^2(\mathbb{R})$:

$$e^{2\pi imx}\chi_{[0,1]}(x-n), \qquad m,n\in\mathbb{Z}.$$

(where χ is the characteristic function) and then chosen some enumeration of $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ into \mathbb{N} to obtain a basis $\{\psi_j\}$ that is just indexed over \mathbb{N} . To get our basis we let $\varphi_j = \mathcal{F} \psi_j$, where \mathcal{F} is the Fourier Transform. Let

$$x_{ij} = \langle \Psi(Q)\varphi_j, \varphi_i \rangle.$$

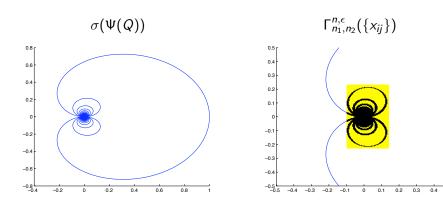
Now we can use

$$\Gamma^{n,\epsilon}_{n_1,n_2}\big(\big\{x_{ij}\big\}\big)$$

to estimate $\sigma(\Psi(Q))$.



Tests with the Operator $\Psi(Q)$ for $\Psi \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ II



$$n = 0,$$
 $\epsilon = 0.01,$ $n_1 = 10000,$ $n_2 = 15000.$

Other Types of Pseudospectra

The disadvantage of the n-pseudospectrum is that even though one can estimate the spectrum by taking n very large, n may have to be too large for practical purposes. Thus, since we only have the estimate for $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}), \epsilon > 0$ that

$$\sigma(T) \subset \sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T),$$

it is important to get a "lower" bound on $\sigma(T)$ i.e. we want to find a set $\Omega\subset\mathbb{C}$ such that

$$\Omega \subset \sigma(T)$$
.



The Residual Pseudospectrum

Definition

Define the function $\Phi: \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}) \times \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\Phi(S,z) = \min \left\{ \lambda^{1/2} : \lambda \in \sigma \left((S-z)^*(S-z) \right) \right\}.$$

and for $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ let

$$\zeta_1(z) = \Phi_0(T, z), \qquad \zeta_2(z) = \Phi_0(T^*, \overline{z}).$$

Now let $\epsilon > 0$ and define the ϵ -residual pseudospectrum to be the set

$$\sigma_{\mathrm{res},\epsilon}(T) = \{z : \zeta_1(z) > \epsilon, \zeta_2(z) = 0\}$$

and the adjoint ϵ -residual pseudospectrum to be the set

$$\sigma_{\mathrm{res}^*,\epsilon}(T) = \{z : \zeta_1(z) = 0, \zeta_2(z) > \epsilon\}.$$



The Residual Pseudospectrum

Theorem

Let $T \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ and let $\{T_k\} \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ such that $T_k \to T$ in norm, as $k \to \infty$. Then for $\epsilon > 0$ we have the following,

(i)
$$\sigma(T) \supset \bigcup_{\epsilon > 0} \sigma_{\text{res},\epsilon}(T) \cup \sigma_{\text{res}^*,\epsilon}(T)$$

(ii)
$$\operatorname{cl}(\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \zeta_1(z) < \epsilon\}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \zeta_1(z) \le \epsilon\}$$

(iii)
$$\operatorname{cl}(\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \zeta_2(z) < \epsilon\}) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \zeta_2(z) \le \epsilon\}$$

(iv)

$$d_H(\operatorname{cl}(\sigma_{\mathrm{res},\epsilon}(T_k)),\operatorname{cl}(\sigma_{\mathrm{res},\epsilon}(T)))\longrightarrow 0, \qquad k\to\infty.$$

(v)

$$d_H(\operatorname{cl}(\sigma_{\operatorname{res}^*,\epsilon}(T_k)),\operatorname{cl}(\sigma_{\operatorname{res}^*,\epsilon}(T)))\longrightarrow 0, \qquad k\to\infty.$$

Theorem

Let
$$\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$$
 be a basis for \mathcal{H} and define $\Xi_1,\Xi_2:\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})\to\Omega$, for $\epsilon>0$, by $\Xi_1(T)=\mathrm{cl}(\sigma_{\mathrm{res},\epsilon}(T))$ and $\Xi_2(T)=\mathrm{cl}(\sigma_{\mathrm{res}^*,\epsilon}(T))$. Then $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_1)\leq 2$, $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_2)\leq 2$.

Tests with the Residual Pseudospectrum

$$T_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b & c & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ d & 0 & a & b & c & 0 & \dots \\ f & e & 0 & a & b & c & \dots \\ g & f & d & 0 & a & b & \dots \\ 0 & g & f & e & 0 & a & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & g & f & d & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}, \quad T_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b & c & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ d & 0 & a & b & c & 0 & \dots \\ f & e & 0 & a & b & c & \dots \\ g & f & d & 0 & a & b & \dots \\ \phi_1 & g & f & e & 0 & a & \dots \\ 0 & \psi_1 & g & f & d & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix},$$

$$T_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b & c & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ d & 0 & a & b & c & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & e & 0 & a & b & c & \dots \\ g & 0 & d & 0 & a & b & \dots \\ \phi_1 & g & 0 & e & 0 & a & \dots \\ 0 & \psi_1 & g & 0 & d & 0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix},$$

where
$$a=1+2i,\ b=-1,\ c=5+i,\ d=-2,\ e=1+2i,\ f=-4,\ g=-1-2i,\ \phi_j=-2+\frac{-5+15i}{i^{1/6}}$$
 and $\psi_j=1+2i+\frac{5+15i}{i^{1/3}}$.

Other Types of Pseudospectra

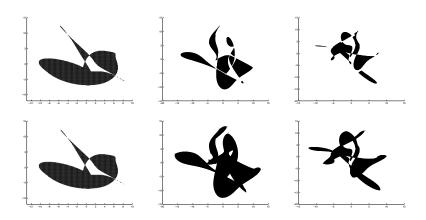


Figure: The upper figures show $\sigma_{{\rm res},\epsilon}(T_j) \cup \sigma_{{\rm res}^*,\epsilon}(T_j)$ and the lower figures show $\sigma_{\epsilon}(T_j)$ for $\epsilon=0.01$ and j=1,2,3.

Theorem

Let $\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ and $\{\tilde{e}_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ be bases for the Hilbert space $\mathcal H$ and let

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\Delta} &= \{ T \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}) : T = T_1 \oplus T_2, T_1, T_2 \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H}), T_1^* = T_2 \} \\ \Delta &= \{ T \in \tilde{\Delta} : \operatorname{span}\{e_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is a core for } T_1, \operatorname{span}\{\tilde{e}_j\} \text{ is a core for } T_2 \}. \end{split}$$

Let
$$\epsilon > 0$$
, $\Xi_1 : \Delta \to \Omega$ and $\Xi_2 : \Delta \to \Omega$ be defined by $\Xi_1(T) = \sigma_{\epsilon}(T_1)$ and $\Xi_2(T) = \sigma(T_1)$. Then

$$SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_1) \leq 2, \qquad SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_2) \leq 3.$$

Theorem

Let $\{e_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{N}}$ be a basis for the Hilbert space $\mathcal H$ and let

$$\Delta = \{ T \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H}) : T = W + A, \ W \in WS(\mathcal{H}), \ A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$$

$$\cap \{ T \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H}) : \|R(T, \cdot)^{2^n}\|^{1/2^n} \text{ is never constant for any } n \}.$$
(6)

Define, for $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $\epsilon > 0$, the set valued functions

$$\Xi_1,\Xi_2,\Xi_3:\Delta\to\Omega,\quad \Xi_1(T)=\overline{\sigma_{n,\epsilon}(T)},\quad \Xi_2(T)=\overline{\omega_{\epsilon}(\sigma(T))},\quad \Xi_3(T)$$

Then

$$SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_1) \leq 3$$
, $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_2) \leq 4$, $SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_3) \leq 4$.



Corollary

Let $\{e_i\}_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$ be a basis for the Hilbert space \mathcal{H} and let

$$\Delta = \{A \in \mathcal{SA}(\mathcal{H}) : \operatorname{span}\{e_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \text{ is a core for } A\}.$$

Let
$$\epsilon > 0$$
 and $\Xi_1, \Xi_2 : \Delta \to \Omega$ be defined by $\Xi_1(T) = \sigma(T)$ and $\Xi_2(T) = \overline{\omega_{\epsilon}(\sigma(T))}$. Then

$$SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_1) \leq 3, \qquad SC_{\mathrm{ind}}(\Xi_2) \leq 2.$$

The Final Questions

- What is the Solvability Complexity Index of spectra of different classes of operators?
- ► Can we compute the spectrum without access to the the matrix elements of the adjoint?

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