

A Note On The Integral Criterion For Spectral Dichotomy Of Regular Pencils*

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Abstract

Perturbations of spectral projectors generated by linear matrix pencils are investigated. Estimates for norms of perturbed projectors are derived.

1 Introduction

Let A and B be $n \times n$ complex matrices such that the pencil $\lambda B - A$ is regular having no eigenvalues on the positively oriented closed contour γ . The spectral dichotomy methods compute the spectral projector

$$P_\gamma(A, B) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_\gamma (\lambda B - A)^{-1} B \, d\lambda \quad (1)$$

onto the deflating subspace of $\lambda B - A$ corresponding to the eigenvalues inside γ . Along with $P_\gamma(A, B)$, these methods compute the so-called integral criterion for spectral dichotomy, a quantity that gives an idea about the confidence to be placed in the numerical quality of the computed spectral projector $P_\gamma(A, B)$. This quantity is the spectral norm $\|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$ of the matrix integral

$$H_\gamma(A, B) = \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \int_\gamma (\lambda B - A)^{-*} (\lambda B - A)^{-1} |d\lambda| \quad (2)$$

where $L_\gamma = \int_\gamma |d\lambda|$ is the length of γ . Here and throughout this note, an expression like $(\lambda B - A)^{-*}$ means the conjugate transpose of the inverse of $\lambda B - A$. As will be shown later, the smaller $\|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$, the better the stability of the projector $P_\gamma(A, B)$ with respect to perturbations in A in B . In case where the curve γ is a circle, there are now efficient algorithms that compute $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $\|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$ [5] or $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $H_\gamma(A, B)$ [3]. Moreover, in this case, $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $H_\gamma(A, B)$ are related by a generalized Lyapunov equation (see first line of (14)).

The aim of this note is to show that for general closed contour γ , perturbation estimates for $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $H_\gamma(A, B)$ can be derived showing that the two variables

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functions $(A, B) \mapsto \|P_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$ and $(A, B) \mapsto \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$ are continuous. Their modulus of continuity which involve the resolvent norm of the pencil $\lambda B - A$ give permissible bounds for the stable computation of $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $H_\gamma(A, B)$. Also some relations connecting the norms of $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $H_\gamma(A, B)$ are derived.

2 Perturbations of $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $H_\gamma(A, B)$ and estimate on $\|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$

Let E and F be two perturbations on A and B respectively such that the perturbed pencil $\lambda(B + F) - (A + E)$ remains regular having no eigenvalues on γ . Assume that neither $\lambda B - A$ nor $\lambda(B + F) - (A + E)$ have the infinite eigenvalue $\lambda = \infty$ and that $\sqrt{\|E\|_2^2 + \|F\|_2^2} \leq \epsilon$. Define

$$m_\gamma(A, B) = \max_{\lambda \in \gamma} \left(\|(\lambda B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \sqrt{1 + |\lambda|^2} \right). \quad (3)$$

This quantity appears in a natural way when comparing the projectors $P_\gamma(A, B)$ with $P_\gamma(A + E, B + F)$. It was analyzed in the framework of ϵ -pseudospectrum of the pencil $\lambda B - A$ defined as (see [4]):

$$\Sigma_\epsilon(A, B) = \left\{ \lambda : \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \sqrt{1 + |\lambda|^2} \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \right\}. \quad (4)$$

The following proposition gives a perturbation result on the spectral projector $P_\gamma(A, B)$. It is a generalization to matrix pencils of the result given in [2, Sec. 8.3].

PROPOSITION 2.1. Let $m_\gamma \equiv m_\gamma(A, B)$ and assume that $\epsilon m_\gamma < 1$. Then

$$\|P_\gamma(A + E, B + F) - P_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} L_\gamma \epsilon m_\gamma \frac{1 + m_\gamma \|B\|_2}{1 - \epsilon m_\gamma}. \quad (5)$$

PROOF. A direct computation gives

$$\begin{aligned} P_\gamma(A + E, B + F) &= \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_\gamma (\lambda(B + F) - (A + E))^{-1} (B + F) d\lambda = \\ &= \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_\gamma (I + (\lambda B - A)^{-1}(\lambda F - E))^{-1} (\lambda B - A)^{-1} (B + F) d\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$X(\lambda) = (\lambda B - A)^{-1} (\lambda F - E).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} P_\gamma(A + E, B + F) - P_\gamma(A, B) &= \\ &= \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_\gamma (I + X(\lambda))^{-1} (\lambda B - A)^{-1} (F - (\lambda F - E)(\lambda B - A)^{-1} B) d\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the norm we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \|P_\gamma(A + E, B + F) - P_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \leq \\ & \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_\gamma \|(I + X(\lambda))^{-1}\|_2 \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \\ & \times (\|F\|_2 + \|\lambda F - E\|_2 \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \|B\|_2) |d\lambda|. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\|X(\lambda)\|_2 \leq \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \sqrt{1 + |\lambda|^2} \sqrt{\|E\|_2^2 + \|F\|_2^2} \leq \epsilon m_\gamma < 1.$$

Therefore

$$\|(I + X(\lambda))^{-1}\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{1 - \epsilon m_\gamma},$$

from which the proof easily follows.

REMARKS

1. The proof of Proposition 2.1 excludes the case where $\lambda = \infty$ is an eigenvalue of the pencil $\lambda B - A$. This happens when B is singular. Then the pencil $\lambda A - B$ has the eigenvalue $\lambda = 0$ (see [6]) and it suffices to consider the projector

$$P_\infty(A, B) := P_{\gamma_0}(B, A) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\gamma_0} (\lambda A - B)^{-1} A d\lambda \quad (6)$$

onto the deflating subspace of $\lambda A - B$ corresponding to the eigenvalue $\lambda = 0$ enclosed by a contour γ_0 . Similarly to Proposition 2.1, it can be shown that

$$\|P_\infty(A + E, B + F) - P_\infty(A, B)\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} L_{\gamma_0} \epsilon m_{\gamma_0} \frac{1 + m_{\gamma_0} \|A\|_2}{1 - \epsilon m_{\gamma_0}}. \quad (7)$$

where L_{γ_0} is the length of γ_0 , $m_{\gamma_0} = \max_{\lambda \in \gamma_0} (\|(\lambda A - B)^{-1}\|_2 \sqrt{1 + |\lambda|^2})$, E and F are perturbations such that $\sqrt{\|E\|_2^2 + \|F\|_2^2} \leq \epsilon$ and $\epsilon m_{\gamma_0} < 1$.

2. The condition $\epsilon m_\gamma < 1$ in Proposition 2.1 is clearly satisfied if $\partial\Sigma_\epsilon(A, B) \cap \gamma = \emptyset$ where $\partial\Sigma_\epsilon(A, B)$ denotes the boundary of $\Sigma_\epsilon(A, B)$. The stability of the projector $P_\gamma(A, B)$, as a function of the variables A and B , is ensured provided that $\epsilon m_\gamma < 1$ and $L_\gamma \epsilon m_\gamma (1 + m_\gamma \|B\|_2) \ll 1$. This implies that the number of eigenvalues enclosed by γ remains constant. For example, the condition $m_\gamma^2 \ll 1/\epsilon$ is sufficient for the stability of $P_\gamma(A, B)$ with respect to perturbations E and F . The quantity m_γ is actually a modification (up to the term $\sqrt{1 + |\lambda|^2}$) of the stability radius of the pencil $\lambda B - A$. It is difficult to compute and our aim (see Proposition 2.4) is to show that the largest eigenvalue of the Hermitian positive definite matrix $H_\gamma(A, B)$ gives the same information as m_γ .

Using analogous perturbation techniques, the following proposition shows the continuity of the function $(A, B) \mapsto \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$.

PROPOSITION 2.2. Assume that $\epsilon m_\gamma < 1$. Then

$$\|H_\gamma(A + E, B + F) - H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \leq \frac{\epsilon m_\gamma(2 + \epsilon m_\gamma)}{(1 - \epsilon m_\gamma)^2} \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \quad (8)$$

PROOF.

$$H_\gamma(A + E, B + F) = \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \int_\gamma (\lambda(B + F) - (A + E))^{-*} (\lambda(B + F) - (A + E))^{-1} |d\lambda|.$$

A few calculations show that

$$(\lambda(B + F) - (A + E))^{-*} (\lambda(B + F) - (A + E))^{-1} = (\lambda B - A)^{-*} (I - S(\lambda)) (\lambda B - A)^{-1}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I - S(\lambda) &= (I + X(\lambda))^{-*} (I + X(\lambda))^{-1} \\ X(\lambda) &= (\lambda B - A)^{-1} (\lambda F - E). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &\|H_\gamma(A + E, B + F) - H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 = \\ &\max_{\|x\|_2=1} \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \left| \int_\gamma x^* (\lambda B - A)^{-*} S(\lambda) (\lambda B - A)^{-1} x |d\lambda| \right| \leq \\ &\max_{\lambda \in \gamma} \|S(\lambda)\|_2 \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \int_\gamma x^* (\lambda B - A)^{-*} (\lambda B - A)^{-1} x |d\lambda| = \\ &\max_{\lambda \in \gamma} \|S(\lambda)\|_2 \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2. \end{aligned}$$

The proof terminates by noting that (see the proof of Proposition 2.1)

$$\|X(\lambda)\|_2 \leq \epsilon m_\gamma, \quad \|(I + X(\lambda))^{-1}\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{1 - \epsilon m_\gamma},$$

and that $\|S(\lambda)\|_2 \equiv \|(I + X(\lambda))^{-*} (X(\lambda) + X(\lambda)^* + X(\lambda)^* X(\lambda)) (I + X(\lambda))^{-1}\|_2 \leq \frac{\epsilon m_\gamma(2 + \epsilon m_\gamma)}{(1 - \epsilon m_\gamma)^2}$.

The following proposition shows how the norms of $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and $H_\gamma(A, B)$ are related.

PROPOSITION 2.3. The projector $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and the matrix $H_\gamma(A, B)$ satisfy

$$\|P_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \leq \frac{L_\gamma}{2\pi} \sqrt{\|B^* H_\gamma(A, B) B\|_2}. \quad (9)$$

PROOF.

$$\begin{aligned} \|P_\gamma(A, B)\|_2^2 &= \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \|P_\gamma(A, B)x\|_2^2 \\ &\leq \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left(\int_\gamma \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1} Bx\|_2 |d\lambda| \right)^2 \\ &\leq \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \frac{L_\gamma}{4\pi^2} \int_\gamma \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1} Bx\|_2^2 |d\lambda| \\ &= \frac{L_\gamma^2}{4\pi^2} \|B^* H_\gamma(A, B) B\|_2. \end{aligned}$$

The second inequality above comes from the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

Next we show how m_γ is related to the norm of $H_\gamma(A, B)$. But first we need the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.1. If $\lambda_0 \in \gamma$ and $\alpha > 0$, then

$$\int_\gamma \frac{|d\lambda|}{(1 + \alpha|\lambda - \lambda_0|)^2} \geq \frac{L_\gamma}{1 + \alpha L_\gamma}.$$

PROOF. Consider the parametric representation of the contour γ as : $\lambda = \lambda(\theta)$ and denote by $L(\theta) = \int_{\theta_0}^\theta |\lambda'(\varphi)| d\varphi$ the arc length between $\lambda_0 \equiv \lambda(\theta_0)$ and $\lambda(\theta)$. Then

$$\int_\gamma \frac{|d\lambda|}{(1 + \alpha|\lambda - \lambda_0|)^2} = \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_0 + L_\gamma} \frac{|\lambda'(\theta)|}{(1 + \alpha|\lambda(\theta) - \lambda(\theta_0)|)^2} d\theta.$$

But

$$|\lambda(\theta) - \lambda(\theta_0)| = \left| \int_{\theta_0}^\theta \lambda'(\varphi) d(\varphi) \right| \leq L(\theta).$$

Hence

$$\int_\gamma \frac{|d\lambda|}{(1 + \alpha|\lambda - \lambda_0|)^2} \geq \int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_0 + L_\gamma} \frac{|L'(\theta)|}{(1 + \alpha L(\theta))^2} d\theta = \frac{L_\gamma}{1 + \alpha L_\gamma}.$$

PROPOSITION 2.4. We have

$$\frac{1}{1 + |\lambda_0|^2} \frac{m_\gamma^2}{1 + m_\gamma \|B\|_2 L_\gamma} \leq \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \leq m_\gamma^2, \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{d_\gamma^2}{1 + d_\gamma \|B\|_2 L_\gamma} \leq \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \leq d_\gamma^2, \quad (11)$$

where $\lambda_0 \in \gamma$ and $d_\gamma = \max_{\lambda \in \gamma} \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1}\|_2$.

PROOF.

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 &= \max_{\|x\|_2=1} (H_\gamma(A, B)x, x) \\ &= \max_{\|x\|_2=1} \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \int_\gamma \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1}x\|_2^2 |d\lambda| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \int_\gamma d_\gamma^2 |d\lambda| = d_\gamma^2 \leq m_\gamma^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now let $\lambda_0 \in \gamma$ and $x_0 \in \mathbf{C}^n$ with $\|x_0\|_2 = 1$ such that

$$m_\gamma(A, B) = \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \sqrt{1 + |\lambda_0|^2}$$

and

$$\|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2 = \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}x_0\|_2.$$

From the identity

$$(\lambda B - A)^{-1} = (\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1} + (\lambda_0 - \lambda)(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1} B (\lambda B - A)^{-1},$$

we obtain

$$\|(\lambda B - A)^{-1} x_0\|_2 \geq \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1} x_0\|_2 - |\lambda - \lambda_0| \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \|B\|_2 \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1} x_0\|_2.$$

Hence

$$\|(\lambda B - A)^{-1} x_0\|_2 \geq \frac{\|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2}{1 + |\lambda - \lambda_0| \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \|B\|_2}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 &\geq \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \int_\gamma \|(\lambda B - A)^{-1} x_0\|_2^2 |d\lambda| \\ &\geq \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2^2 \int_\gamma \frac{|d\lambda|}{(1 + \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \|B\|_2 |\lambda - \lambda_0|)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and from Lemma 2.1 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 &\geq \frac{1}{L_\gamma} \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2^2 \frac{L_\gamma}{1 + \|(\lambda_0 B - A)^{-1}\|_2 \|B\|_2 L_\gamma} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{1 + |\lambda_0|^2} \frac{m_\gamma^2}{1 + m_\gamma \|B\|_2 L_\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

With the same reasoning, we prove the bounds (11).

REMARKS

1. Proposition 2.3 shows that when $\|P_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$ is large, then so is the quantity $\sqrt{\|B^* H_\gamma(A, B) B\|_2}$. Then Proposition 2.4 shows that $d_\gamma \|B\|_2$ and hence $m_\gamma \|B\|_2$ are also large. Conversely, a large m_γ means that the ϵ -pseudospectrum of $\lambda B - A$ intersects the contour γ (see [4]) and therefore that the projector $P_\gamma(A, B)$ may not be well defined.

Also, Proposition 2.4 shows that $\|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2$ can be as large as d_γ^2 . The lower bounds in (10) and (11) are probably not optimal, but they show that

$$\mathcal{O}(m_\gamma) \leq \|H_\gamma(A, B)\|_2 \leq d_\gamma^2 \leq m_\gamma^2.$$

2. The case where γ is a circle is important in stability analysis of discrete-time systems (or difference equations). If for instance $\gamma = C$ is the unit circle, then the projector $P_\gamma(A, B)$ and the matrix $H_\gamma(A, B)$ become

$$P \equiv P_C(A, B) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (B - e^{-i\theta} A)^{-1} B d\theta, \quad (12)$$

$$H \equiv H_C(A, B) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (B - e^{-i\theta} A)^{-*} (B - e^{-i\theta} A)^{-1} d\theta. \quad (13)$$

Using the Kronecker decomposition [1, 6] of A and B , it can easily be shown that P and H satisfy the following properties

$$\begin{cases} B^*HB - A^*HA = P^*P - (I - P)^*(I - P), \\ P^2 = P, (\tilde{H}P)^* = \tilde{H}P \text{ with } \tilde{H} = (A \pm B)^*H(A \pm B). \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

For that special case, an algorithm has recently been proposed in [3]. It computes in a stable way the projector P and the scaled matrix H taken in the following form:

$$H = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (B - e^{-i\theta}A)^{-*} H^{(0)} (B - e^{-i\theta}A)^{-1} d\theta$$

where $H^{(0)}$ is an arbitrary hermitian positive definite matrix used for scaling purposes.

3. It would be interesting to derive systems analogous to (14) for the contour γ .

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