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I

Let Y be a Banach space and F its closed subset. Let K be a Lipschitz operator mapping F into Y , i.e. there exists a positive constant β such that

$$(1) \quad \|Ku - Kv\| \leq \beta \|u - v\|$$

holds for any $u, v \in F$.

Let us consider the iteration process

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} y_0 &\in F, \\ y_{n+1} &= Ky_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

This process is convergent if the well known conditions given in the Banach theorem (see e.g. [2]) are satisfied, i.e.

$$(3a) \quad \beta < 1,$$

$$(3b) \quad y_0 \in F \Rightarrow y_1 = Ky_0 \in F,$$

$$(3c) \quad S(y_1, \kappa) \subset F,$$

where S is a closed sphere whose centre is y_1 and radius

$$\kappa = \frac{\beta}{1-\beta} \|y_1 - y_0\|.$$

We shall suppose that the sequence (2) converges to the limit y^* .

In practice, if the digital computation technique be used, there often will be necessary to transfer the problem of realising the sequence $\{y_n\}$, defined by (2), into a space different from the original one, so that the elements y_n might be numerically interpreted [1]. To this effect it

is necessary to replace the original process (2) by another subsidiary process which is easy to be realised as to using the numerical technique; moreover, we must naturally desire the original process (2) to be approximated sufficiently accurately by the subsidiary process.

In agreement with Kantorovič [1], let us transfer the problem into space \bar{Y} isomorphic with Y , the isomorphism being realised by the linear bounded operation φ ; it is natural to assume that the elements $\bar{y} \in \bar{F}$ can be numerically interpreted. The construction of the subsidiary iteration process will be done by a suitable operator \bar{K} approximating the operator K . Let us assign the analogical process

$$(4) \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{y}_0 &= \varphi y_0 \\ \bar{y}_{n+1} &= \bar{K} \bar{y}_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

to the process (2).

In this paper we study the approximative solution of the equation $y = Ky$ when the iteration process (2) is replaced by the process (4).

First, we shall deal with the question what sufficient conditions are to be required from the operator \bar{K} to get the limit \bar{y}^* of the process (4) sufficiently near to the limit y^* of the sequence (2) in terms of the definition

$$(5) \quad \begin{aligned} \rho(y^*, \bar{y}^*) &< \varepsilon, & \text{where} \\ \rho(u, \bar{u}) &= \|\varphi u - \bar{u}\|_{\bar{Y}}, \quad u \in Y, \bar{u} \in \bar{Y} \end{aligned}$$

and ε is a given positive number.

Next, we consider the question of the influence of the rounding-off errors.

II

We assume that the approximating operator \bar{K} is Lipschitz bounded, i.e. for \bar{u}, \bar{v} being two arbitrary elements belonging to \bar{F} ,

$$(6) \quad \|\bar{K}\bar{u} - \bar{K}\bar{v}\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \bar{\beta} \|\bar{u} - \bar{v}\|_{\bar{Y}}$$

holds.

The process (4) will converge to a certain limit \bar{y}^* , if analogical conditions, the same as for the process (2), i.e.

$$(7a) \quad \bar{\beta} < 1,$$

$$(7b) \quad \bar{y}_0 \in \bar{F} \Rightarrow \bar{y}_1 = \bar{K}\bar{y}_0 \in \bar{F},$$

$$(7c) \quad \bar{S}_1(\bar{y}_1, \bar{x}_1) \subset \bar{F}, \quad \bar{x}_1 = \frac{\bar{\beta}}{1-\bar{\beta}} \|\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_0\|_{\bar{Y}}$$

hold.

What other conditions are to be satisfied by the approximation \bar{K} , so that the limits y^* and \bar{y}^* may be sufficiently near in terms of definition (5)? The answer to this question is given by the following theorem:

Theorem 1: Let the following assumptions be fulfilled:

1) The conditions (1), (3a,b,c), (7a,b,c) and (6) are satisfied.

2) Approximating operator \bar{K} is such that for any element $u \in F$ the inequality

$$(8) \quad \|\varphi Ku - \bar{K}\varphi u\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \alpha \|u\|_X$$

x) The condition of L.V. Kantorovič, [1], p.107

holds.

$$3) \quad \bar{S}(\varphi y_1, \kappa) \subset \bar{S}_1(\bar{y}_1, \bar{\kappa}_1)$$

holds, where y_1, κ are defined by the process (2) and by the formula (3c),

$$4) \quad \|\varphi\| \leq 1.$$

Then

$$(9) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\varphi y_n^* - \bar{y}_n\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \frac{\alpha c}{1 - \beta}$$

holds, where $c = \sup_{0 \leq i < \infty} \|y_i\|_Y$.

Proof. As both sequences $\{y_n\}, \{\bar{y}_n\}$ are convergent according to our assumptions and the operator φ is continuous, the limit in (9) exists; it remains only to prove the inequality.

1) First, we shall prove that for any positive integer n the inequality

$$(10) \quad \|\varphi y_{n+1} - \bar{y}_{n+1}\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \frac{\alpha c_n}{1 - \beta}$$

holds, where $c_n = \max \|y_i\|_Y$.

Evidently, for any $u \in S$

$$\|\varphi u - \varphi y_1\| \leq \|\varphi\| \|u - y_1\| \leq \|u - y_1\| \leq \kappa$$

holds, i.e. $\varphi u \in \bar{S} \subset \bar{S}_1$.

Then it follows from our assumptions that

$$\|\varphi y_1 - \bar{y}_1\|_{\bar{Y}} = \|\varphi K y_0 - \bar{K} \varphi y_0\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \alpha \|y_0\|_Y$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi y_{n+1} - \bar{y}_{n+1}\|_{\bar{Y}} &= \|\varphi K y_n - \bar{K} \bar{y}_n\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \\ &\leq \|\varphi K y_n - \bar{K} \varphi y_n\|_{\bar{Y}} + \|\bar{K} \varphi y_n - \bar{K} \bar{y}_n\|_{\bar{Y}}. \end{aligned}$$

As $y_n \in S \subset F$, (8) can be applied on the last by one term further, $\varphi y_n \in \bar{S}$, $\bar{y}_n \in \bar{S}_1$, consequently φy_n and \bar{y}_n belong to \bar{F} and (6) can be applied on the last term; consequently

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi y_{n+1} - \bar{y}_{n+1}\|_{\bar{Y}} &\leq \alpha \|y_n\|_Y + \bar{\beta} \|\varphi y_n - \bar{y}_n\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \\ &\leq \alpha \|y_n\|_Y + \bar{\beta} [\alpha \|y_{n-1}\|_Y + \bar{\beta} \|\varphi y_{n-1} - \bar{y}_{n-1}\|_{\bar{Y}}] \leq \dots \\ &\leq \alpha \sum_{i=0}^n \bar{\beta}^i \|y_{n-i}\|_Y < \frac{\alpha c_n}{1-\bar{\beta}}. \end{aligned}$$

2) It is evident that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi y^* - \bar{y}_n\|_{\bar{Y}} &\leq \|\varphi y^* - \varphi y_n\|_{\bar{Y}} + \|\varphi y_n - \bar{y}_n\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \\ &\leq \|y^* - y_n\|_Y + \frac{\alpha c_n}{1-\bar{\beta}} \end{aligned}$$

holds. As $\|y^* - y_n\| \rightarrow 0$ and $c_n \leq c$, the inequality (9) follows immediately.

Note. If the operator K and its approximation \bar{K} are linear bounded operators mapping complete spaces Y resp. \bar{Y} into themselves, then we can put $F = Y$, $\bar{F} = \bar{Y}$, $\beta = \|K\|$, $\bar{\beta} = \|\bar{K}\|$ and the assumptions (3b), (3c), (7b), (7c) are to be dropped.

III

In practice however, as the actual computation is realized by digital numbers, rounding-off errors in the process (4) arise. Consequently, the computation procedure is not defined by the iteration formula (4) but in general by the following one:

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{y}_0 &= \varphi y_0 + \bar{\eta} \\ \tilde{y}_{n+1} &= \bar{K} \tilde{y}_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{aligned}$$

where $\bar{\eta} \in \bar{Y}$ and the operator \tilde{K} is defined on the same subspace \bar{F} as \bar{K} and approximates \bar{K} in terms of definition

$$(12) \quad \|\bar{K}\bar{u} - \tilde{K}\bar{u}\|_{\bar{Y}} \leq \xi, \quad \bar{u} \in \bar{Y},$$

where ξ is a nonnegative number (the upper bound of error caused by accumulation of rounding-off errors when computing the value $\bar{K}\bar{u}$).

It is the process (11) only which always can be realized.

Theorem 2. Let the following conditions be fulfilled: x)

- 1) The inequality (12) holds for any $\bar{u} \in \bar{Y}$,
- 2) (7a), (7b), (7c) hold,
- 3) $\tilde{y}_0 \in \bar{F}$,
- 4) $\bar{U}(\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{r} + \gamma) \subset \bar{F}$,

where $\bar{U}(\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{r} + \gamma)$ is the closed sphere, \tilde{y}_1 its centre, $\tilde{r} + \gamma$ its radius,

$$\gamma = \frac{\beta \|\bar{\eta}\| + \xi}{1 - \beta}, \quad \tilde{r} = \frac{\beta}{1 - \beta} [\|\tilde{y}_1 - \tilde{y}_0\| + \|\bar{\eta}\|] + \gamma.$$

Then 1) $\tilde{y}_i \in \bar{U}$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots$

2) The estimation

$$(13) \quad \|\bar{y}_n - \tilde{y}_n\| \leq \beta^n \|\bar{\eta}\| + \frac{\xi}{1 - \beta}$$

holds.

Proof: 1) We shall prove that the sphere \bar{S}_1 defined by the formula (7c) is contained in the sphere

$$\bar{S}(\tilde{y}_1, \tilde{r}),$$

 x) In the following we omit to designate spaces when writing norms.

i.e. that $h \in \bar{S}_1$ implies $\|h - \tilde{y}_1\| \leq \tilde{\kappa}$.

Really, for any $\tilde{y}_0 \in \bar{F}$

$$\|h - \tilde{y}_1\| \leq \|h - \bar{y}_1\| + \|\bar{y}_1 - \tilde{y}_1\|$$

$$\|h - \bar{y}_1\| \leq \frac{\bar{\beta}}{1-\bar{\beta}} \|\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_0\| \leq \frac{\bar{\beta}}{1-\bar{\beta}} (\|\bar{y}_1 - \tilde{y}_1\| + \|\tilde{y}_1 - \bar{y}_0\|)$$

$$\|\bar{y}_1 - \tilde{y}_1\| \leq \|\bar{K}\bar{y}_0 - \bar{K}\tilde{y}_0\| + \|\bar{K}\tilde{y}_0 - \tilde{K}\tilde{y}_0\| \leq \bar{\beta}\|\bar{y}_0 - \tilde{y}_0\| + \xi.$$

From these inequalities we get simply

$$\|h - \tilde{y}_1\| \leq \frac{\bar{\beta}\|\bar{\eta}\| + \xi}{1-\bar{\beta}} + \frac{\bar{\beta}}{1-\bar{\beta}} (\|\tilde{y}_1 - \tilde{y}_0\| + \|\bar{\eta}\|) = \tilde{\kappa}.$$

2) Evidently γ -neighborhood of \bar{S}_1 is contained in γ -neighborhood of $\bar{\Sigma}$ and consequently in \bar{U} . We shall prove by induction that if $\tilde{y}_i \in \bar{U}$, then also $\tilde{y}_{i+1} \in \bar{U}$. For $i=1$ it is proved; for $i \geq 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\bar{y}_i - \tilde{y}_i\| &= \|\bar{K}\bar{y}_{i-1} - \tilde{K}\tilde{y}_{i-1}\| \leq \\ &\|\bar{K}\bar{y}_{i-1} - \bar{K}\tilde{y}_{i-1}\| + \|\bar{K}\tilde{y}_{i-1} - \tilde{K}\tilde{y}_{i-1}\| \leq \bar{\beta}\|\bar{y}_{i-1} - \tilde{y}_{i-1}\| + \xi \leq \dots \\ &\leq \bar{\beta}\{\bar{\beta}[\dots(\bar{\beta}\|\bar{y}_1 - \tilde{y}_1\| + \xi) + \dots + \xi] + \xi = \\ &= \bar{\beta}^i\|\bar{\eta}\| + \xi(1 + \bar{\beta} + \dots + \bar{\beta}^{i-1}) < \bar{\beta}^i\|\bar{\eta}\| + \frac{\xi}{1-\bar{\beta}}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e. the estimation (13) holds. From it follows that

$$\|\bar{y}_i - \tilde{y}_i\| \leq \frac{\bar{\beta}^i\|\bar{\eta}\| + \xi}{1-\bar{\beta}} < \gamma.$$

As $\bar{y}_i \in \bar{S}_1$, the first part of the assertion is also proved.

Note. The influence of truncation and of rounding errors was studied by M. Urabe. Theorem 2 is slightly generalized result of his paper [3], whose formula (2.5) p. 481 is

a special case of our formula (13) when $\bar{y}_0 = \tilde{y}_0$.

IV

Conclusion. Summing up the results of items 2 and 3, we get the following theorem:

Theorem 3. Let the conditions of the 1st and 2nd theorem be satisfied. Then the following assertions hold:

1) All elements of the sequence (11) belong to \bar{F} .

2) For the distance of the n -th approximation \tilde{y}_n from the element φy^* the estimation

$$(14) \quad \|\varphi y^* - \tilde{y}_n\|_Y < \|y^* - y_n\|_Y + \bar{\beta}^n \|\bar{\eta}\|_Y + \frac{\alpha c_n + \xi}{1 - \bar{\beta}}$$

holds, where c_n is defined in the theorem 1.

Proof: Evidently

$$\|\varphi y^* - \tilde{y}_n\| \leq \|\varphi y^* - \varphi y_n\| + \|\varphi y_n - \bar{y}_n\| + \|\bar{y}_n - \tilde{y}_n\|.$$

The first term of the right is at most equal to the error of the n -th approximation in the process (2). For the second term we use the estimation (10) and for the third the estimation (13).

Note. The influence of errors $\|y^* - y_n\|$ and $\|\bar{\eta}\|$ diminishes with $n \rightarrow \infty$ to zero. But as ξ is a fixed positive number, it does not follow from (14), that the process (11) should converge in current sense. We can assert only, that a number V being given,

$$V > \frac{\alpha c + \xi}{1 - \bar{\beta}}, \quad c = \sup_n c_n,$$

such an integer n_0 exists that \tilde{y}_n belongs to the sphere $\bar{S}_V(\varphi y^*, V)$ for all $n \geq n_0$. In practice, as a rule, \bar{Y} will be an Euclidean m -dimensional space R^m . In every finite part of R^m there is a finite number of vectors whose components are digital numbers with given number of figures; let us assume that the sphere \bar{S}_V contains just \mathcal{N} elements. Then evidently, if the sequence $\{\tilde{y}_n\}$ does not converge, it will be periodic beginning from a certain $n_1 \geq n_0$, with the period \mathcal{N} at most. In other words, the sequence $\{\tilde{y}_n\}$ will reach the state of numerical convergence in the sense of M. Urabe [3]. An arbitrary element \tilde{y}_{n_1+i} , $i = 0, 1, \dots$ can be accepted as an approximation of y^* the error of which does not exceed the number V .

The state of numerical convergence need not take place when especially from the conditions of theorem 2 it is the 2nd condition only which is not fulfilled. However, in the case mentioned in the Note of item II the 2nd condition is to be dropped.

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