

TRANSLATABLE RADII OF AN OPERATOR IN THE DIRECTION OF ANOTHER OPERATOR

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ABSTRACT. We introduce translatable radii of an operator corresponding to the norm in the direction of another operator and generalise an inequality developed by Fujii and Prasanna[2], namely, $\sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Tx - (Tx, x)x\| \geq w_T$.

Introduction.

Let T and A be bounded linear operators on a complex Hilbert space H with the inner product (\cdot, \cdot) . Consider the generalized eigenvalue problem $Tx = \lambda Ax, x \in H$, where λ is called the eigenvalue of the above equation and x the corresponding eigenvector. Mikhlin [4] has studied this problem in a way similar to the problem $Tx = \lambda x$.

The nonnegative functional $S(x) = \|Tx - (Tx, x)x\|$ gives the deviation of a unit vector x from being an eigenvector. Björck and Thomee have shown [1] that

$$\sup_{\|x\|=1} \{ \|Tx\|^2 - |(Tx, x)|^2 \}^{1/2} = R_T$$

for a normal operator T where R_T is the radius of the smallest circle containing the spectrum of T .

Garske [3] improved the result to obtain the inequality

$$\sup_{\|x\|=1} \{ \|Tx\|^2 - |(Tx, x)|^2 \}^{1/2} \geq R_T$$

which was later improved by Fujii and Prasanna [2].

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If 0 does not belong to approximate point spectrum of A let

$$M_A(T) = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left\{ \|Tx\|^2 - \frac{|(Tx, Ax)|^2}{(Ax, Ax)} \right\}^{1/2}$$

i.e. $M_A(T) = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left\{ \|Tx - \frac{(Tx, Ax)}{(Ax, Ax)}Ax\| \right\}$

Also if $0 \notin \overline{W(A)}$ then let

$$\hat{M}_A(T) = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left\{ \|Tx - \frac{(Tx, x)}{(Ax, x)}Ax\| \right\}$$

Clearly $M_A(T) = M_A(T + \lambda A)$ and $\hat{M}_A(T) = \hat{M}_A(T + \lambda A)$ so that both are translation invariant in the sense of A . We define $M_A(T)$ and $\hat{M}_A(T)$ as the translatable radii of T in the direction of A . Geometrically $Tx - \frac{(Tx, Ax)}{(Ax, Ax)}Ax$ is the vector perpendicular from Tx to Ax and $Tx - \frac{(Tx, x)}{(Ax, x)}Ax$ is a vector perpendicular to x .

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Let $W_A(T) = \{ \frac{(Tx, Ax)}{(Ax, Ax)} : \|x\| = 1 \}$ and $\hat{W}_A(T) = \{ \frac{(Tx, x)}{(Ax, x)} : \|x\| = 1 \}$. Clearly $W_A(T)$ is convex. Examples can be given to show that $\hat{W}_A(T)$ need not be convex. Let $m_A(T)$ (*resp.* $\hat{m}_A(T)$) denote the radius of the smallest circle containing the set $W_A(T)$ (*resp.* $\hat{W}_A(T)$). Also let $|W_A(T)| = \sup\{ |z| : z \in W_A(T) \}$ and $|\hat{W}_A(T)| = \sup\{ |z| : z \in \hat{W}_A(T) \}$.

Main Result. Fujii and Prasanna [2] proved that for any bounded linear operator T

$$\sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Tx - (Tx, x)x\| \geq w_T$$

In this paper we generalize the result to prove that

$$\text{if } 0 \notin \overline{W(A)} \text{ then } \hat{M}_A(T) \geq M_A(T) \geq m_A(T)/\|A^{-1}\|.$$

To prove this we need the following lemmas.

Lemma 1.

$$\begin{aligned} m_A(T) &= \min_z |W_A(T - zA)| = \min_z |W_A(T) - z| \\ \hat{m}_A(T) &= \min_z |\hat{W}_A(T - zA)| = \min_z |\hat{W}_A(T) - z| \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The proof is clear from the definitions.

Lemma2. $\|T\| \leq \|T - zA\| \forall z \in C$ iff there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of unit vectors such that $(A^*Tx_n, x_n) \rightarrow 0$ and $\|Tx_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|$.

Proof. We prove the necessary part only, sufficient part follows easily.

Let us consider the set $W_0(A) = \{\lambda \in C / \exists \{x_n\} \subset H, \|x_n\| = 1 \ni (Tx_n, Ax_n) \rightarrow \lambda \text{ and } \|Tx_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|\}$, which is non-empty, closed and convex.

Let us first assume that $\|A\| \leq 1$. If possible let $0 \notin W_0(A)$. Then as $W_0(A)$ is closed and convex by rotating T suitably we can assume that $\operatorname{Re} W_0(A) > \eta > 0$.

Let $M = \{x \in H / \|x\| = 1 \text{ and } \operatorname{Re}(Tx, Ax) \leq \eta/2\}$ and $\beta = \sup_{x \in M} \|Tx\|$. Clearly $\beta < \|T\|$. Let $z_0 = \min\{\eta, (\|T\| - \beta)/\|A\|\}$. Now if $x \in M$, then $\|(T - z_0A)x\| \leq \|Tx\| + |z_0| \|Ax\| < \beta + \{(\|T\| - \beta)/\|A\|\}\|A\| = \|T\|$ and if $x \notin M$, then let $Tx = (a + ib)Ax + y$, where $(Ax, y) = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} So, \|(T - z_0A)x\|^2 &= \{(a - z_0)^2 + b^2\} \|Ax\|^2 + \|y\|^2 \\ &= \|Tx\|^2 + (z_0^2 - 2az_0 \|Ax\|^2) + z_0^2 (\|Ax\|^2 - 1) \\ &< \|Tx\|^2, \text{ for } \operatorname{Re}(Tx, Ax) = a \|Ax\|^2 > \eta/2 > z_0/2 \text{ and } \|Ax\| \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Thus in all cases, $\|(T - z_0A)x\|^2 < \|T\|^2$ so that $\|T\| \geq \|T - z_0A\|$. This is a contradiction. Hence there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of unit vectors such that $(Tx_n, Ax_n) \rightarrow 0$ and $\|Tx_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|$.

Next let $\|A\| > 1$. Then let $B = A/\|A\|$. Proceeding as above we can find a sequence $\{y_n\}$ of unit vectors such that $(Ty_n, By_n) \rightarrow 0$ and $\|Ty_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|$. So $\|T\| \leq \|T - z(A/\|A\|)\|$ for all $z \in C$ iff there exists a sequence $\{y_n\}$ of unit vectors such that $((A^*T/\|A\|)y_n, y_n) \rightarrow 0$ and $\|Ty_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|$.

Hence for any bounded linear operator A , $\|T\| \leq \|T - zA\|$ for all $z \in C$ iff there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of unit vectors such that $(A^*Tx_n, x_n) \rightarrow 0$ and $\|Tx_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|$. This completes the proof of Lemma 2.

Lemma 3, stated below, is a generalization of a result by S. Prasanna [6], namely, for any bounded linear operator T , $\min_z \|T - zI\| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \{ \|Tx\|^2 - |(Tx, x)|^2 \}^{1/2}$. This paper is based on the result stated in Lemma 3. Detailed proofs of both Lemma 2 and Lemma 3 are given in [5].

Lemma 3. $M_A(T) = \min_z \|T - zA\|$.

Proof. We may assume the existence of $M_A(T) = \min_z \|T - zA\|$ by $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} \|T - zA\| =$

$+\infty$. Since $M_A(T)$ is translation invariant in the sense of A i.e., $M_A(T) = M_A(T - zA)$ for all z in \mathbb{C} , it suffices to prove that if $\|T\| \leq \|T - zA\| \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$ then $M_A(T) = \|T\|$.

We have $\|Tx\|^2 \geq \|Tx\|^2 - \frac{|(Tx, Ax)|^2}{\|Ax\|^2}$ for all unit vectors $x \in H$.

so that $\|T\| \geq M_A(T)$.

Again by Lemma 2 there exists a sequence $\{x_n\}$ of unit vectors such that $(Tx_n, Ax_n) \rightarrow 0$ and $\|Tx_n\| \rightarrow \|T\|$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \|T\|^2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Tx_n\|^2 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \|Tx_n\|^2 - \frac{|(Tx_n, Ax_n)|^2}{\|Ax_n\|^2} \right\} \\ &\leq M_A(T)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\|T\| = M_A(T)$. This completes the proof of Lemma 3.

We now prove our main result in Theorem 1.

Theorem 1. If $0 \notin W(A)$ then $\hat{M}_A(T) \geq M_A(T) \geq m_A(T)/\|A^{-1}\|$.

Proof. Since $\frac{|(Tx, Ax)|}{|(Ax, Ax)|} \leq \|T\|\|A^{-1}\|$ for a unit vector $x \in H$, we have $|W_A(T)| \leq \|T\|\|A^{-1}\|$ for all operators T , so that

$$|W_A(T - zA)| \leq \|T - zA\|\|A^{-1}\|$$

for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$. Hence it follows from Lemma 1 and Lemma 3 that

$$m_A(T) \leq M_A(T)\|A^{-1}\|.$$

Let $Tx = \frac{(Tx, Ax)}{(Ax, Ax)}Ax + h$ and $Tx = \frac{(Tx, x)}{(Ax, x)}Ax + \hat{h}$, where $(h, Ax) = 0$ and $(\hat{h}, x) = 0$. Then

$$\hat{h} - h = \left\{ \frac{(Tx, Ax)}{(Ax, Ax)} - \frac{(Tx, x)}{(Ax, x)} \right\} Ax$$

As $(h, Ax) = 0$ we get

$$\|\hat{h}\|^2 = \|h\|^2 + \left\{ \frac{(Tx, Ax)}{(Ax, Ax)} - \frac{(Tx, x)}{(Ax, x)} \right\}^2 \|Ax\|^2$$

Thus $\|\hat{h}\| \geq \|h\|$ so that

$$\sup_{\|x\|=1} \left\| Tx - \frac{(Tx, x)}{(Ax, x)} Ax \right\| \geq \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left\| Tx - \frac{(Tx, Ax)}{(Ax, Ax)} Ax \right\|$$

i.e., $\hat{M}_A(T) \geq M_A(T)$. So

$$\hat{M}_A(T) \geq M_A(T) \geq m_A(T)/\|A^{-1}\|.$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 2. If $0 < c \leq |(Ax, x)|$, for all unit vectors $x \in H$, then $\hat{M}_A(T) \geq M_A(T) \geq c \cdot \hat{m}_A(T)$.

Proof. We have $\frac{|(Tx, x)|}{|(Ax, x)|} \leq \|T\|/c$ for all unit vectors $x \in H$, so that $\|T\| \geq c \cdot \hat{W}_A(T)$ for all operators T . Hence

$$c \cdot \hat{W}_A(T - zA) \leq \|T - zA\|$$

for all $z \in C$. Hence it follows from Lemma 1 and Lemma 3 that

$$c \hat{m}_A(T) \leq M_A(T).$$

Since $\hat{M}_A(T) \geq M_A(T)$, $\hat{M}_A(T) \geq M_A(T) \geq c \hat{m}_A(T)$. This completes the proof.

Corollary. For $A = I$ we get the inequality due to Fujii and Prasanna[2].

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