

On a pole of the resolvent of positive operators

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§ 1. Introduction.

For a positive operator T in an ordered Banach space, the following theorem has been shown by S. Karlin [2].

THEOREM (S. Karlin).

$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i$ converges uniformly to a non-zero operator if and only if 1 is a simple pole of the resolvent $R(\lambda, T)$ of T .

S. Karlin has shown also that if 1 is a pole of $R(\lambda, T)$ of order k , then $\frac{\Gamma(k+1)}{n^k} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i \rightarrow (T - I)^{k-1} P$, where P is a projection operator. The converse, however, doesn't hold in case of $k \geq 2$ as shown in § 2.

In this paper, we shall give a necessary and sufficient condition for 1 to be a pole of order k of the resolvent, which is the extension of the above theorem of Karlin.

§ 2. Results.

EXAMPLE.

Consider $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & 1-1/2 & & \\ & & & 1-1/3 & \\ 0 & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & 1-1/n \end{pmatrix}$

belonging to $L(l^\infty)$.

Then the sequence $\left\{ \frac{2}{n^2} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i \right\}$ converges uniformly to

$(T-I)P = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & & & \\ & 0 & & & \\ & & 0 & & \\ & & & 0 & \\ 0 & & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$, where $P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & 0 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

But 1 is not a pole of $R(\lambda, T)$.

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The above example shows that the convergence of a sequence $\left\{ \frac{\Gamma(k+1)}{n^k} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i \right\}$ is not sufficient for 1 to be a pole of $R(\lambda, T)$. Therefore, by using another sequence of polynomials, we obtain the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.

Let T be a positive operator with $r(T)=1$ in an ordered Banach space E^1 . Then the following are equivalent.

- i) 1 is a pole of the resolvent $R(\lambda, T)$ of order at most k .
- ii) $f_{k,n}(T)$ converges²⁾ to an operator P_k as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where

$$f_{k,n}(\lambda) = \sum_{s=1}^k a_{k,s} \frac{g_{k,s,n-1}(\lambda)}{g_{k,s,n-1}(1)}$$

$$g_{k,s,q}(\lambda) = \sum_{i_k=0}^q \dots \sum_{i_2=0}^{i_3} \sum_{i_1=0}^{i_2} \frac{(i_1+s-1)!}{i_1!} \lambda^{i_1}$$

and $a_{k,s} = (-1)^{s+1} \binom{k}{s} \binom{2k+s-2}{k-1} / \binom{2k-2}{k-1}$.

The coefficients $\{a_{k,s}\}$ in Theorem 1 are solutions of the following simple equations :

$$\sum_{s=1}^k a_{k,s} = 1$$

$$\sum_{s=1}^k \frac{1}{k+j+s-1} a_{k,s} = \frac{1}{k+j-1}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq k-1. \quad (*)$$

By calculation, we obtain

$$f_{k,n}^{(j)}(\lambda) = \sum_{s=1}^k a_{k,s} \frac{g_{k,s+j,n-j-1}(\lambda)}{g_{k,s,n-1}(1)}$$

$$g_{k,s,q}(1) = \binom{q+s+k-1}{q} (s-1)!$$

and

$$f_{k,n}^{(j)}(1) = \frac{(n-1)!}{(n-j-1)!} \sum_{s=1}^k a_{k,s} \frac{(s+j-1)! (s+k-1)!}{(s-1)! (s+k+j-1)!}$$

Therefore, by using the relation (*), we get

$$f_{k,n}(1) = 1 \text{ and } f_{k,n}^{(j)}(1) = 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq k-1.$$

PROOF OF THE THEOREM 1.

Suppose i) is satisfied. Then by the result of S. Karlin stated in §1, the sequence $\left\{ \frac{k!}{n^k} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i \right\}$ converges to $(T-I)^{k-1} P$, where P is a projection.

Therefore we have

- 1) An ordered Banach space means that it is generated by a proper, closed and normal cone. For these definitions, see [3].
- 2) In this paper, convergence is understood to be in the uniform operator topology.

$$\frac{T^n}{n^k} \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty) \tag{**}$$

by using the relation

$$\frac{T^n}{n^k} = \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right)^k \frac{1}{(n+1)^k} \sum_{i=0}^n T^i - \frac{1}{n^k} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i.$$

By calculation, we have, for $1 \leq s \leq k$

$$\begin{aligned} g_{k,s,n-1}(T) (T-I)^k &= \frac{(n+s-2)!}{(n-1)!} T^{n+k-1} \\ &+ \sum_{m=1}^{s-1} (-1)^m \binom{k}{m} \frac{(s-1)!}{(s-m-1)!} T^{k-m} g_{m,s-m,n-1}(T) \\ &+ (-1)^s (s-1)! \sum_{m=0}^{k-s} \binom{n+m+s-2}{n-1} \binom{k-m-1}{s-1} T^{k-s-m} (T-I)^m. \end{aligned}$$

So by using the relation (***) and

$$g_{k,s,n-1}(1) = \frac{(n-s+1)(n-s+2)\dots(n+k-1)}{s(s+1)\dots(s+k-1)} \simeq n^{k+s-1} \tag{***}$$

we get

$$f_{k,n}(T) (T-I)^k = \sum_{s=1}^k a_{k,s} \frac{g_{k,s,n-1}(T)}{g_{k,s,n-1}(1)} (T-I)^k \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

By virtue of a result of N. Dunford [1, Theorem 3.6], we deduce that $f_{k,n}(T)$ converges to a projection as $n \rightarrow \infty$, by considering $(\lambda-1)^k$ for $P(\lambda)$ in [1. Th. 3.6].

Next we suppose that ii) is satisfied. We consider the functions

$$h_{k,1,n}(T) = \frac{n+2k-1}{n} f_{k,n+1}(T) - f_{k,n}(T)$$

and

$$h_{k,m,n}(T) = \frac{n+2k-1}{n} h_{k,m-1,n+1}(T) - T \cdot h_{k,m-1,n}(T)$$

for $2 \leq m \leq k$.

Then by using the condition that $f_{k,n}(T)$ converges to a projection, we see, for $1 \leq m \leq k$

$$h_{k,m,n}(T) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

By calculation, we have, for $1 \leq m \leq k$

$$\begin{aligned} h_{k,m,n}(T) &= \sum_{s=1}^{k-m} \sum_{r=0}^{m-1} \frac{(m-1)! (s+r+k-1)!}{r! (s-1)!} \binom{k-s-r}{m-r-1} a_{k,s+r} \\ &\times \left\{ \frac{(n-1)!}{(n+k+s+m-3)!} g_{k-1,s,n+m-1}(T) + \frac{(k-s-m+1)(n-1)!}{(n+k+s+m-2)!} g_{k,s,n+m-1}(T) \right\} \\ &+ \frac{(n-1)!}{(n+2k-2)!} \sum_{r=0}^{m-1} \frac{(m-1)! (2k-m+r)!}{r! (k-m)!} a_{k,k-m+r+1} g_{k-1,k-m+1,n+m-1}(T) \\ &+ 0 \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$h_{k,k,n}(T) \cdot (T-I)^{k-2} = \frac{(n-1)! (k-1)!}{(n+2k-2)!} \sum_{r=1}^k \frac{(r+k-1)!}{(r-1)!} a_{k,r} \\ \times \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^{i+2k-2} + 0 \left(\frac{1}{n} \right).$$

Since $\sum_{r=1}^k \frac{(r+k-1)!}{(r-1)!} a_{k,r}$ is nonzero, we have

$$\frac{1}{n^{2k-1}} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \longrightarrow \infty) \quad (*1)$$

by using the relation $h_{k,k,n}(T) \cdot (T-I)^{k-2} \rightarrow 0$. In the same way, from (*1) and $h_{k,k-1,n}(T) \cdot (T-I)^{k-1} \rightarrow 0$, we have

$$\frac{T^n}{n^{2k-2}} \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \longrightarrow \infty) \quad (*2)$$

and then, from (*1), (*2) and $h_{k,k-2,n}(T) \cdot (T-I)^k \rightarrow 0$,

$$\frac{T^n}{n^{2k-3}} (T-I) \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \longrightarrow \infty).$$

A repetition of this argument clearly yields

$$\frac{T^n}{n^{2k-2-j}} (T-I)^j \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \longrightarrow \infty) \quad (*j+2)$$

for $1 \leq j \leq k-2$.

By using the relation (***), (*1) ~ (*k) and

$$f_{k,n}(T) \cdot (T-I)^{2k-2} = \sum_{s=1}^k \frac{a_{k,s}}{g_{k,s,n-1}(1)} \\ \times \sum_{i=0}^{(s-1) \wedge (k-2)} (-1)^i \binom{k}{i} \binom{n+s-i-2}{s-i-1} (s-1)! T^{n+k-1} (T-I)^{k-2-i} \\ + \frac{a_{k,k}}{g_{k,k,n-1}(1)} (-1)^{k-1} k! \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^{i+k-1} + 0(n^{k-s}),$$

we get

$$f_{k,n}(T) \cdot (T-I)^{2k-2} \longrightarrow 0 \quad (n \longrightarrow \infty).$$

Put $P_k(T-I)^j = Q_{k,j}$, $1 \leq j \leq 2k-3$.

Then by using the relation $P_k(T-I)^{2k-2} = 0$, we have, for $i \geq 1$

$$P_k \cdot T^i = P_k + \sum_{s=1}^r \binom{i}{s} Q_{k,s}, \quad \text{where } r = i \wedge (2k-3).$$

Therefore we have

$$f_{k,n}(T) \cdot P_k = f_{k,n}(1) \cdot P_k + \sum_{j=1}^{2k-3} \frac{f_{k,n}^{(j)}(1)}{j!} Q_{k,j}.$$

Since the coefficients $\{a_{k,s}\}$ satisfy the equations $f_{k,n}(1)=1$ and $f_{k,n}^{(j)}(1)=0$ for $1 \leq j \leq k-1$, we see that for $j \geq k$, $f_{k,n}^{(j)}(1)$ is nonzero and tends to infinity as $n \rightarrow \infty$. If $Q_{k,j} \neq 0$ for some $j \geq k$, $\|f_{k,n}(T) \cdot P_k\|$ tends to infinity, which contradicts that $f_{k,n}(T) \cdot P_k$ converges to P_k^2 . Therefore $Q_{k,k} = 0$, which means that $P_k^2 = P_k$ and 1 is a pole of the resolvent of order at most k , since $r(T)=1$ belongs to the spectra of T by positivity of T . This completes the proof of the Theorem.

The positivity of Theorem 1 plays the role to get $\frac{T^n}{n^k} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ from the condition i) in the Theorem and also for 1 to belong to the spectra of T . So we can replace positivity by the condition $\frac{T^n}{n^k} \rightarrow 0$ as follows.

THEOREM 2. *Let T be an operator with $r(T)=1$ in a Banach space, satisfying $\frac{T^n}{n^k} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then the following are equivalent.*

- i) 1 is either in $\rho(T)$ or else a pole of $R(\lambda, T)$ of order at most k .
- ii) $f_{k,n}(T)$ defined in Theorem 1 converges to an operator P_k as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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