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Analisi matematica. — *Perturbations preserving asymptotics of spectrum.* Nota di ALEXANDER G. RAMM, presentata (*) dal Corrisp. G. FICHERA.

RIASSUNTO. — Vengono annunziati alcuni risultati relativi al problema consistente nel perturbare un dato operatore lineare in modo che gli autovalori dell'operatore perturbato siano asintotici a quelli dell'operatore dato.

1. Let H be a separable Hilbert space, A be a closed densely defined linear operator with discrete spectrum, A^{-1} be a bounded operator, T be a linear operator $D(T) \supset D(A)$, $D(A) = \text{Dom } A$, $R(A) = \text{im } (A)$, $N(A) = \text{Ker } A$, $\{0\}$ the set consisting of 0, $C = A^{-1}T$, $|f| = (f, f)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, $S_n(A)$, $\lambda_n(A)$ be respectively, the s -numbers [I; II, § 2, § 7] and the eigenvalues of A . If $A \geq m > 0$ let H_A be the Hilbert space which is the completion of $D(A)$ with respect to the norm $\|f\| = (Af, f)^{\frac{1}{2}}$. We call the spectrum of a linear operator A discrete if every its point is an isolated eigenvalue of finite algebraic multiplicity [I]. Let $B = A + T$, $D(B) = D(A)$. We announce some results sufficient for the limit relation $\lambda_n(B)\lambda_n^{-1}(A) \rightarrow 1$, or $S_n(B)S_n^{-1}(A) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$ to be valid. The results generalize some known results [I; V, § 11]. The methods of the proofs differ from these of [I]. All the operators below are linear operators in the Hilbert space H .

2. **THEOREM 1.** Let Q, S be some compact operators, $\dim R(Q) = \infty$, $N(I + S) = \{0\}$. Then $S_n(Q + QS)S_n^{-1}(Q) \rightarrow 1$, $S_n(Q + SQ)S_n^{-1}(Q) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$.

THEOREM 2. Let the operators C , A^{-1}, TA^{-1} be compact, $N(B) = \{0\}$. Then the spectrum of operator B is discrete, $S_n(B)S_n^{-1}(A) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$. If in addition $A \geq m > 0$ and the operator B is normal, then $\lambda_n(B)\lambda_n^{-1}(A) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$.

THEOREM 3. Let $A \geq m > 0$, $D(T) \supset H_A$, C is compact in H_A and $B = B^*$. Then the spectrum of B is discrete and $\lambda_n(B)\lambda_n^{-1}(A) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$.

3. Let $A[f, f]$ be a positive definite quadratic form (q.f.) on H . A real valued quadratic form $T[f, f]$ defined on $D[A]$ is called compact relatively to q.f. $A[f, f]$ if the set $\{f : A[f, f] \leq 1\}$ contains a sequence f_n such that $T[f_n - f_m, f_n - f_m] \rightarrow 0$, $n, m \rightarrow \infty$. The spectrum of a semibounded q.f. is the spectrum of the corresponding selfadjoint operator.

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THEOREM 4. Let $A[f, f]$ be a positive definite q.f. with discrete spectrum $\lambda_n(A)$, a real-valued q.f. $T[f, f]$ is compact relative to $A[f, f]$. Then the q.f. $B[f, f] = A[f, f] + T[f, f]$, $D[B] = D[A]$ has discrete spectrum, $\lambda_n(B)\lambda_n^{-1}(A) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Example 1. Let $H = L^2(D)$, $D \subset R^m$ is a bounded domain with the smooth boundary Γ , $A[f, f] = \int_D \{|\nabla f|^2 + |f|^2\} dx$, $T[f, f] = \int_{\Gamma} \sigma(s) |f(s)|^2 ds$, $\sigma(s) \in C^1(\Gamma)$. The q.f. $T[f, f]$ is compact relatively to $A[f, f]$.

So $\lambda_n(B)\lambda_n^{-1}(A) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$. Here $\{\lambda_n(A)\}$ is the spectrum of the Neumann problem in the domain D , $\{\lambda_n(B)\}$ is the spectrum of the following problem: $-\Delta f + f = \mu f$ in D , $\partial f / \partial N + \sigma(s)f = 0$ on Γ .

Example 2. Consider the problem $\mathcal{L}u = \lambda u$ in D , $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_1$, \mathcal{L}_0 being a selfadjoint elliptic differential operator of order $2r$, \mathcal{L}_1 being a differential operator of order $r_1 < 2r$ in $H = L^2(D)$.

Suppose $N(\mathcal{L}_0) = \{0\}$. The operator $\mathcal{L}_0^{-1}\mathcal{L}_1$ is compact in H . So according to Theorem 2 $S_n(\mathcal{L})S_n^{-1}(\mathcal{L}_0) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$. If in addition \mathcal{L} is normal then $\lambda_n(\mathcal{L})\lambda_n^{-1}(\mathcal{L}_0) \rightarrow 1$, $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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