

THE METHOD OF CHORDS FOR SOLVING OPERATOR
EQUATIONS DEPENDENT ON ONE PARAMETER

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Let us consider the operator equation

$$(1) \quad P(x, \alpha) = \theta,$$

where $P: X \times M \rightarrow X$, X is a Fréchet space, and M is a quasinormed linear space. Suppose that the equation is majorized by

$$(2) \quad Q(z, \beta) = 0,$$

where Q is a real function of real variables, continuous, defined on the rectangle $z \in [z_0, z']$, $\beta \in [\beta_0, \beta']$.

In order to obtain the solution $x(\alpha)$ of the equation (1), we use the iterative method

$$(1') \quad x_{n+1} = x_n - \Lambda_{n, \alpha} P(x, \alpha) \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots),$$

where $\Lambda_{n, \alpha} = [P_{x_n, x_{n-1}}^\alpha]^{-1}$ is the inverse of the partial divided difference of the operator P with respect to x [1], method known as the method of chords.

To find the solution $z(\beta)$ of the majorant equation, we consider the iteration

$$(2') \quad z_{n+1} = z_n - \frac{z_n - z_{n-1}}{Q(z_n, \beta) - Q(z_{n-1}, \beta)} Q(z_n, \beta) \\ (n = 0, 1, \dots).$$

In [2] the following theorem was proved

THEOREM A. *If the operator equation $P(x) = 0$ has as majorant, the real equation $Q(z) = 0$, and if the following properties are valid for the initial approximations x_{-1}, x_0 respectively z_{-1}, z_0 , with $z_{-1} < z_0$:*

1. There is $\Lambda_0 = -[P_{x_0, x_{-1}}]^{-1}$ and $\rho_{X, X}(\Lambda_0) \leq B_0$,

$$B_0 = -\frac{1}{Q_{z_0, z_{-1}}} > 0;$$

2. $\rho_X(P(x_0)) \leq Q(z_0)$ and $\rho_X(P(x_{-1})) \leq Q(z_{-1})$;

3. $\rho_{X, X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}) \leq Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}} - Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}$

for any $x^{(i)} \in S$, where S is defined by

$$\rho_X(x - x_0) \leq z - z_0 \leq z' - z_0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3;$$

then from the existence of the solution $z^* \in [z_0, z']$ of the real equation (2), implies the existence of at least one solution $x^* \in S$ of the operator equation, solution which is the limit of the sequence (x_n) given by the iterative procedure

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \Lambda_n P(x_n), \quad n = 0, 1, \dots,$$

where $\Lambda_n = [P_{x_n, x_{n-1}}]^{-1}$. The order of convergence is characterized by

$$\rho_X(x^* - x_n) \leq z^* - z_n.$$

This theorem will be used on proving the existence of the solution of the equation (1). Next we prove

THEOREM 1. *Assume that the following conditions hold*

1. *For the initial approximations x_{-1}, x_0 , and z_{-1}, z_0 respectively, and for the initial values α_0, β_0 for the parameters α, β , there exists the operator*

$$\Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} = [P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha_0)}]^{-1}, \quad \rho_{X \times M, X}(\Lambda_{0, \alpha_0}) \leq -\frac{1}{Q_{z_{-1}, z_0}^{(\beta_0)}} = B_0; \quad (1)$$

2. $\rho_X(P(x_i, \alpha_0)) \leq Q(z_i, \beta_0)$, $i = -1, 0$;

3. $\rho_{X \times M, X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha_0)}) \leq Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0)} - Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\beta_0)}$

$\forall x^{(i)} \in S$, S being defined by

$$\rho_X(x^{(i)} - x_0) \leq z^{(i)} - z_0 \leq z' - z_0, \quad (i = 1, 2);$$

4. $\rho_X(P_{\alpha^{(1)}, \alpha^{(2)}}^{(x_0)}) \leq Q_{\beta^{(1)}, \beta^{(2)}}^{(z_0)}$, $\forall \alpha^{(i)} \in \sigma$, σ being defined by

$$\rho_M(\alpha^{(i)} - \alpha_0) \leq \beta^{(i)} - \beta_0 \leq \beta' - \beta_0, \quad (i = 1, 2);$$

5. $\rho_{(X \times M), X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\alpha^{(1)}, \alpha^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0, x_0)}) \leq Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\beta^{(1)}, \beta^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0, z_0)}$
 $\forall x^{(i)} \in S$ and $\alpha^{(i)} \in \sigma$, $(i = 1, 2)$;

6. $\rho_{(X \times M)^2, X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\alpha^{(1)}, \alpha^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0, x_0)} - P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\alpha^{(1)}, \alpha^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0, z_0)}) \leq Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\beta^{(1)}, \beta^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0, z_0)} - Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\beta^{(1)}, \beta^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0, z_0)}$
 $\forall x^{(i)} \in S \quad (i = 1, 2), \beta \in \sigma$.

Then from the existence of the root $z^*(\beta) \in [z_0, z']$, for any $\beta \in [\beta_0, \beta']$ of the equation (2) to which the procedure (2') converges, it results the existence of a solution $x^*(\alpha)$, for any $\alpha \in \sigma$ of the equation (1), solution to which the iterative procedure (1') converges. The order of the convergence is characterized by

$$(3) \quad \rho_X(x^*(\alpha) - x_0) \leq z^*(\beta) - z_0.$$

Proof. One observes that the conditions 1-3 of the theorem 1 can be applied in the case of equations independent of parameters, i.e. for equations such as $P(x, \alpha_0) = 0$ and $Q(z, \beta_0) = 0$, α_0 and β_0 being fixed. For these equations the existence of a solution $x^*(\alpha_0)$ follows by the Theorem A.

We prove that these conditions are satisfied for any $\alpha \in \sigma$ and $\beta \in [\beta_0, \beta']$.

a) Let us consider the operator

$$I + \Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha)} = \Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} (P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha)} - P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha_0)}) = \Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} P_{x_0, x_{-1}|\alpha, \alpha_0}^{(\alpha, x_0)}$$

Taking in account the condition 5., we can write

$$\rho_{(X \times M)^2, X}(I + \Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha)}) \leq B_{0, \beta_0} Q_{x_0, x_{-1}|\beta, \beta_0}^{(\beta, z_0)} (\beta - \beta_0) = B_{0, \beta_0} (Q_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\beta)} - Q_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\beta_0)}) = 1 - \frac{Q_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\beta)}}{Q_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\beta_0)}} = q.$$

From the existence of the solution $z^*(\beta) \in [z_0, z']$, $\forall \beta \in [\beta_0, \beta']$ it results $\frac{Q_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\beta)}}{Q_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\beta_0)}} > 0$, consequently $q < 1$ and from the Banach theorem, it follows the existence of the operator

$$H^{-1} = [I - (I + \Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha)})]^{-1} = [-\Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha)}]^{-1}.$$

Then, it also results the existence of

$$H^{-1}\Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} = [-\Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha)}]^{-1} \Lambda_{0, \alpha_0} = - [P_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\alpha)}]^{-1} = \Lambda_{0, \alpha_0}$$

for which we have

$$\rho_{X \times M, X}(\Lambda_{0, \alpha}) = \rho_{X \times M, X}(H^{-1} \Lambda_{0, \alpha}) = \frac{1}{1-q} B_{0, \beta_0} = - \frac{1}{Q_{x_0, x_{-1}}^{(\beta)}} = B_{0, \beta_0}$$

b) To prove that condition 2. holds, we consider the equality

$$\rho_X(P(x_0, \alpha)) = \rho_X(P(x_0, \alpha) + P(x_0, \alpha_0) - P(x_0, \alpha_0))$$

which, using the condition 2, may be written

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_X(P(x_0, \alpha)) &\leq Q(z_0, \beta_0) + \rho_X(P(x_0, \alpha) - P(x_0, \alpha_0)) = \\ &= Q(z_0, \beta_0) + \rho_X(P_{\alpha_0, \alpha_0}^{(x)}(\alpha - \alpha_0)) \end{aligned}$$

and due to condition 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_X(P(x_0, \alpha)) &\leq Q(z_0, \beta_0) + Q_{\beta_0, \beta_0}^{(x)}(\beta - \beta_0) = \\ &= Q(z_0, \beta_0) + Q(z_0, \beta) - Q(z_0, \beta_0) = Q(z_0, \beta). \end{aligned}$$

In the same way one proves

$$\rho_X(P(x_{-1}, \alpha)) \leq Q(z_{-1}, \beta)$$

c) Let us now consider the operator

$$\begin{aligned} P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha)} &= P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha)} - P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0)} + P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0)} - (P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha)} - \\ &- P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha_0)} + P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha_0)}) = P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\alpha, \alpha_0}^{(\alpha, x)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}|\alpha, \alpha_0}^{(\alpha, x)} + \\ &+ P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha_0)} = [P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\alpha, \alpha_0}^{(\alpha, x)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}|\alpha, \alpha_0}^{(\alpha, x)}] (\alpha - \alpha_0) + \\ &+ P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha_0)}. \end{aligned}$$

For the generalized norm we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{X \times M, X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha)}) &\leq \rho_{(X \times M)^2, X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\alpha, \alpha_0}^{(\alpha, x)} - \\ &- P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}|\alpha, \alpha_0}^{(\alpha, x)}) \rho_M(\alpha - \alpha_0) + \rho_{(X \times M), X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha_0)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha_0)}) \end{aligned}$$

which, due to conditions 6° and 3° gives

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{X \times M, X}(P_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\alpha)} - P_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\alpha)}) &\leq (Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}|\beta, \beta_0}^{(\beta, x)} - Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}|\beta, \beta_0}^{(\beta, x)})(\beta - \beta_0) + \\ &+ Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0)} - Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\beta_0)} = Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\beta)} - Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0)} - (Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\beta)} - Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\beta_0)}) + \\ &+ Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\beta_0)} - Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\beta_0)} = Q_{x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}}^{(\beta)} - Q_{x^{(2)}, x^{(3)}}^{(\beta)}, \end{aligned}$$

which proves that the condition 3° holds.

The assertions of theorem 1 follows from theorem A.

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