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q-RADIUS STABILITY OF MATRIX POLYNOMIALS

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Abstract: In this paper, the q-radius stability of a matrix polynomial $P(\lambda)$ relative to an open region Ω of the complex plane and its relation to the q-numerical range of $P(\lambda)$ are investigated. Also, we obtain a lower bound that involves the distance of Ω to the connected components of the q-numerical range of $P(\lambda)$.

Key Words: matrix polynomial, q-radius stability, q-numerical range

1. Introduction

Let M_n be the algebra of all $n \times n$ complex matrices. Suppose that

$$P(\lambda) = A_m \lambda^m + A_{m-1} \lambda^{m-1} + \dots + A_1 \lambda + A_0, \tag{1}$$

is a matrix polynomial, where $A_i \in M_n$ for i = 0, 1, ..., m, $A_m \neq 0$ and λ is a complex variable. The numbers m and n are referred to as the degree and order of $P(\lambda)$, respectively. Matrix polynomials arise in many applications and their spectral analysis is very important when studying linear systems of ordinary differential equations with constant coefficients ([4]). If all the coefficients of $P(\lambda)$, as in (1), are Hermitian matrices, then $P(\lambda)$ is called selfadjoint. A scalar $\lambda_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ is an eigenvalue of $P(\lambda)$ if the system $P(\lambda_0)x = 0$ has a nonzero solution $x_0 \in \mathbb{C}^n$. This solution x_0 is known as an eigenvector of $P(\lambda)$ corresponding to λ_0 , and the set of all eigenvalues of $P(\lambda)$ is said to be the spectrum of $P(\lambda)$, that

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is denoted by $\sigma[P(\lambda)]$. So $\sigma[P(\lambda)] = \{\mu \in \mathbb{C} : det P(\mu) = 0\}$. The (classical) numerical range of $P(\lambda) = A_m \lambda^m + A_{m-1} \lambda^{m-1} + \dots + A_1 \lambda + A_0$, is defined as follows:

$$W[P(\lambda)] = \{ \mu \in \mathbb{C} : x^* P(\mu) x = 0 \text{ for some nonzero } x \in \mathbb{C}^n \}.$$

It is closed and contains $\sigma[P(\lambda)]$ (see [7] for more information). The numerical range of matrix polynomials plays an important role in the study of overdamped vibration systems with a finite number of degree of freedom, and it is also related to the stability theory (see e.g., [4,6,7]). For a $q \in (0,1]$, the q-numerical range of $P(\lambda)$ is defined by

$$W_q[P(\lambda)] = \{ \mu \in \mathbb{C} : y^* P(\mu) x = 0 \quad x, y \in \mathbb{C}^n, \ x^* x = y^* y = 1, \ y^* x = q \}.$$
(2)

We also define q-spectrum of $P(\lambda)$ as follows:

$$\sigma_q[P(\lambda)] = \{\mu \in \mathbb{C} : det P(q^{-1}\mu) = 0\}$$

Clearly, $W_q[P(\lambda)]$ is always closed and contains the spectrum $\sigma_q[P(\lambda)]$. When $P(\lambda) = q^{-1}I\lambda - A$, $W_q[P(\lambda)]$ coincides with the q-numerical range of matrix A, we get

$$W_q(A) = \{y^*Ax : x, y \in \mathbb{C}^n, x^*x = y^*y = 1, y^*x = q\}$$

(see [1,3]). Moreover, for q = 1, we obtain the numerical range of $P(\lambda)$. As shown in ([8, 9]), $W_q[P(\lambda)]$ is bounded if and only if $0 \notin W_q(A_m)$. One can find more about the geometry of $W_q[P(\lambda)]$ in [8, 9].

2. q-Radius Stability

Consider an index set $J \subseteq \{0, 1, ..., m\}$. In this paper, we consider the q-spectrum of perturbations of the matrix polynomial:

$$P_J(\lambda) = (A_m + \Delta_m)\lambda^m + (A_{m-1} + \Delta_{m-1})\lambda^{m-1} + \dots + (A_1 + \Delta_1)\lambda + A_0 + \Delta_0$$
(3)

where $\Delta_s = 0$ for all $s \notin J$. With the perturbed polynomial in (3), we associate the $n \times n$ matrix polynomial $\Delta_J(\lambda) = \Delta_m \lambda^m + \ldots + \Delta_1 \lambda + \Delta_0$ and the $n \times n(m+1)$ complex matrix

$$D_J = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_m & \Delta_{m-1} & \cdots & \Delta_1 & \Delta_0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
(4)

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Let Ω be an open region of \mathbb{C} whose boundary, $\partial\Omega$, is a piecewise smooth curve. The matrix polynomial $P(\lambda)$ is said to be Ω_q -stable if $\sigma_q[P(\lambda)] \subset \Omega$. In this case, we define the J_q -stability radius of $P(\lambda)$ relative to Ω as

$$R_{J_q}[P(\lambda),\Omega] = \inf_{D_J} \{ \| D_J \|_2 : \sigma_q[P_j(\lambda)] \bigcap (\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega) \neq \emptyset \}.$$

That is, $R_{J_q}[P(\lambda), \Omega]$ is the distance of $P(\lambda)$ to Ω_q -instability, when the coefficients of $P(\lambda)$ indexed by J are allowed to vary.

For the proof of the main result we will need the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1. Let $P(\lambda)$ be defined as in (1) and consider its perturbation $P_J(\lambda)$ as defined in (3). Also, let Ω be an open region of \mathbb{C} such that $\sigma_q[P(\lambda)] \subset \Omega$. Then we have

$$R_{J_q}[P(\lambda),\Omega] = \inf_{\mu \in \partial\Omega} \{ \inf_{D_J} \{ \|D_J\|_2 : \det(I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1}) = 0 \} \}.$$

Proof. let $\mu \in \partial\Omega$, and note that the matrix $P(\mu)$ is invertible. Also det $P_J(\mu) = 0$ if and only if det $(I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1}) = 0$. By definition of J_q -stability, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} R_{J_q}[P(\lambda),\Omega] &= \inf_{\mu \notin \Omega} \{ \inf_{D_J} \{ \|D_J\|_2 : \det P_J(\mu) = 0 \} \} \\ &= \inf_{\mu \in \partial \Omega} \{ \inf_{D_J} \{ \|D_J\|_2 : \det P_J(\mu) = 0 \} \} \\ &= \inf_{\mu \in \partial \Omega} \{ \inf_{D_J} \{ \|D_J\|_2 : \det (I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1}) = 0 \} \}. \end{aligned}$$

So the proof is complete.

Theorem 2.2. Let $P(\lambda) = A_m \lambda^m + A_{m-1} \lambda^{m-1} + ... + A_1 \lambda + A_0$ be an $n \times n$ matrix polynomial with det $A_m \neq 0$, and let $J \subseteq \{0, 1, ..., m\}$. If Ω is an open region of \mathbb{C} such that $\sigma_q[P(\lambda)] \subset \Omega$, then we have

$$R_{J_q}[P(\lambda),\Omega] = \inf\{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{k\in J} \|\lambda\|^{2k} \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2} : \lambda \in \partial\Omega\}}.$$

Proof. Since det $A_m \neq 0$, $P(\lambda)$ has mn finite eigenvalues counting their multiplicities ([2,5]). Let $\mu \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma_q[P(\lambda)]$, then $P(\mu)$ is invertible. Consider the matrix polynomial

$$\Delta_J(\mu) = \Delta_m \mu^m + \Delta_{m-1} \mu^{m-1} + \dots + \Delta_1 \mu + \Delta_0$$

$$= D_J [I\mu^m \cdots I\mu I]^T,$$

where D_J is defined as in (4). Suppose that det $(I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1}) = 0$. Then -1 is an eigenvalue of the matrix $\Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1}$ and so, we have

$$1 \le \left\| \Delta_J(\mu) P(\mu)^{-1} \right\|_2 \le \left\| \Delta_J(\mu) \right\|_2 \left\| P(\mu)^{-1} \right\|_2.$$

As a consequence, we get $\|\Delta_J(\mu)\|_2 \ge \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2^{-1}$ which implies that

$$\|\Delta_J(\mu)\|_2 \ge \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k}} \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2}.$$
(5)

Furthermore, one can construct matrices $\Delta_s (s = 0, 1, ..., m)$ for which D_J attains the above lower bound and let $\det(I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1}) = 0$, as follows. Now consider two vectors $x, y \in \mathbb{C}^n$ such that $||x||_2 = 1$, $||P(\mu)^{-1}x||_2 = ||P(\mu)^{-1}||_2$ and

$$y_j = \frac{w_j}{\|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2^2}, \quad (j = 1, 2, ..., n)$$

where $w = [w_1 \ w_2 \ \cdots \ w_n]^T := P(\mu)^{-1}x$. Define the matrix Q_0 by $Q_0 = -xy^*$ and let $\Delta_S = \frac{\bar{y}^s}{\sum_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k}} Q_0$ for $s \in J$ and $\Delta_S = 0$ if $s \notin J$. Now, we get

$$(I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1})x = x + Q_0P(\mu)^{-1}x = x + Q_0w.$$

Since $y^*w = 1$, we obtain

$$(I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1})x = x - xy^*w = 0.$$

Thus, $\det(I + \Delta_J(\mu)P(\mu)^{-1}) = 0$. Also, we have

$$\begin{split} \|D_{J}\|_{2} &= \sup \{ \frac{\left\|Q_{0}(\Sigma_{k \in J} \bar{\mu}^{k} v_{k})(\Sigma_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k})^{-1}\right\|_{2}}{\sqrt{\Sigma_{k \in J} \|v_{k}\|_{2}^{2}} : v_{k} \in \mathbb{C}^{n} \setminus 0} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\Sigma_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k}} \sup_{v_{k} \neq 0} \{ \frac{\|x\|_{2} \|y\|_{2} \|\Sigma_{k \in J} \bar{\mu}^{k} v_{k}\|_{2}}{\sqrt{\Sigma_{k \in J} \|v_{k}\|_{2}^{2}}} \}. \end{split}$$

Moreover, we can see that

$$\|y\|_{2} = \frac{\|w\|_{2}}{\|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_{2}^{2}} = \frac{\|P(\mu)^{-1}x\|_{2}}{\|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_{2}^{2}} = \frac{1}{\|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_{2}}$$

and

$$\left\| \Sigma_{k \in J} \bar{\mu}^{k} v_{k} \right\|_{2} \leq \left\| \begin{bmatrix} I & I \mu & \cdots & I \mu^{m} \end{bmatrix} \right\|_{2} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} v_{0}^{T} & v_{1}^{T} & \cdots & v_{m}^{T} \end{bmatrix}^{T} \right\|_{2}$$

where $v_k = 0$ whenever $k \notin J$. Therefore,

$$\|\Delta_J(\mu)\|_2 \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k}} \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2}$$

since $||x||_2 = 1$. So, for this special D_J , equality holds in (5). Now the proof is complete in view of lemma 2.1, since $\partial \Omega \cap \sigma_q[P(\lambda)] = \emptyset$.

The notion of J_q -stability radius of $P(\lambda)$ is related to the (ϵ, J_q) -pseudo q-spectrum of $P(\lambda)$ which is defined by

$$\sigma_{\epsilon,J_q}[P(\lambda)] = \{\mu \in \mathbb{C} : \mu \in \sigma_q[P_J(\lambda)] \text{ for some } \Delta_J(\lambda) \text{ with } \|D_J\|_2 < \epsilon\}$$

for each $\epsilon > 0$, where $P_J(\lambda)$ and D_J are defined as in (3) and (4), respectively. One can see that $\sigma_{\epsilon,J_q}[P(\lambda)] \subset \Omega$ if and only if $R_{J_q}[P(\lambda),\Omega] > \epsilon$.

Theorem 2.3. Let $P(\lambda) = A_m \lambda^m + A_{m-1} \lambda^{m-1} + ... + A_1 \lambda + A_0$ be an $n \times n$ matrix polynomial with det $A_m \neq 0$. Also, let $J \subseteq \{0, 1, ..., m\}$ and $\epsilon > 0$ be given. Then

$$\sigma_{\epsilon,J_q}[P(\lambda)] \setminus \sigma_q[P(\lambda)] = \{ \mu \in (\mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma_q[P(\lambda)]) : \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k} \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2}} \le \epsilon \}.$$

Proof. Consider a μ in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma_q[P(\lambda)]$. If $\mu \in \sigma_{\epsilon,J_q}[P(\lambda)]$, then there is an $n \times n$ matrix polynomial $\Delta_J(\mu) = \Delta_m \mu^m + \ldots + \Delta_1 \mu + \Delta_0$ such that $\Delta_s = 0$ for $s \notin J$, $\|[\Delta_m \cdots \Delta_1 \Delta_0]\|_2 \leq \epsilon$, and det $(P(\mu) + \Delta_J(\mu)) = 0$. Thus, by (5),

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{k\in J} |\mu|^{2k}} \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2} \le \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_m & \cdots & \Delta_1 & \Delta_0 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2 \le \epsilon.$$

Conversely, suppose that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k} \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2}} \le \epsilon.$$

Then, as in the proof of Theorem 2.2, one can construct a matrix polynomial $\Delta_J(\mu) = \Delta_m \mu^m + \ldots + \Delta_1 \mu + \Delta_0$ such that $\Delta_s = 0$ for $s \notin J$,

$$\| \begin{bmatrix} \Delta_m & \cdots & \Delta_1 & \Delta_0 \end{bmatrix} \|_2 \le \epsilon$$

and det $(P(\mu) + \Delta_J(\mu))$. Thus, $\mu \in \sigma_{\epsilon, J_q}[P(\lambda)]$.

Corollary 2.4. Let $P(\lambda) = A_m \lambda^m + A_{m-1} \lambda^{m-1} + ... + A_1 \lambda + A_0$ be an $n \times n$ matrix polynomial with det $A_m \neq 0$, and let $J \subseteq \{0, 1, ..., m\}$ and $\epsilon > 0$. Then

$$\partial(\sigma_{\epsilon,J_q}[P(\lambda)] \setminus \sigma_q[P(\lambda)]) = \{\mu \in (\mathbb{C} \setminus \sigma_q[P(\lambda)]) : \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{k \in J} |\mu|^{2k} \|P(\mu)^{-1}\|_2}} = \epsilon \}.$$

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