

Motivating Results

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1 Result 1 (static)

The following result shows that the fixed point residual converges linearly fast for contractive operators, but sub-linearly (with the square root of the iteration number) for averaged operators.

Proposition 1.1. *Consider an operator $\mathcal{T} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ and the Banach-Picard iteration*

$$\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} = \mathcal{T}\mathbf{x}^\ell, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Then, the fixed point residual $\{\|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^\ell\|\}$ is bounded as:

- \mathcal{T} ζ -contractive: $\|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^\ell\| \leq (1 + \zeta)\zeta^\ell \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|$;
- \mathcal{T} α -averaged: $\|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^\ell\| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\ell+1}} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|$.

Proof. \mathcal{T} contractive: by [1, Theorem 1.50] we know that

$$\|\mathbf{x}^\ell - \mathbf{x}^*\| \leq \zeta^\ell \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|;$$

using the triangle inequality we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^\ell\| &\leq \|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^*\| + \|\mathbf{x}^\ell - \mathbf{x}^*\| \\ &\leq \zeta \|\mathbf{x}^\ell - \mathbf{x}^*\| + \|\mathbf{x}^\ell - \mathbf{x}^*\| \\ &\leq (1 + \zeta) \|\mathbf{x}^\ell - \mathbf{x}^*\| \\ &\leq (1 + \zeta)\zeta^\ell \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|. \end{aligned}$$

\mathcal{T} averaged: by the averagedness of \mathcal{T} we can write, for some $\mathbf{x}^* \in \text{fix}(\mathcal{T})$:

$$\|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2 \leq \|\mathbf{x}^\ell - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2 - \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} \|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^\ell\|^2;$$

rearranging, and summing over time we get

$$\sum_{h=0}^{\ell} \|\mathbf{x}^{h+1} - \mathbf{x}^h\|^2 \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2$$

where we used the telescoping sum and removed the negative term $-\|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^\ell\|^2$.

Since $\{\|\mathbf{x}^{h+1} - \mathbf{x}^h\|^2\}$ is a monotonically decreasing sequence, we know that $(\ell+1) \|\mathbf{x}^{\ell+1} - \mathbf{x}^\ell\| \leq \sum_{h=0}^{\ell} \|\mathbf{x}^{h+1} - \mathbf{x}^h\|^2$; using this fact, rearranging and taking the square root yields the thesis. \square

2 Result 2 (dynamic)

Consider the time-varying Banach-Picard

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathcal{T}_{k+1}\mathbf{x}_k, \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$

and for simplicity assume that $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \text{fix}(\mathcal{T}_0)$.

Proposition 2.1. *The cumulative fixed point residual is bounded as:*

- \mathcal{T}_k ζ -contractive:

$$\frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{h=0}^k \|\mathbf{x}_{h+1} - \mathbf{x}_h\|^2 \leq \left(\sigma \frac{1+\zeta}{1-\zeta} \right)$$

where $\sigma \geq \max_k \|\mathbf{x}_k^* - \mathbf{x}_{k-1}^*\|$;

- \mathcal{T}_k α -averaged and defined on a compact domain:

$$\frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{h=0}^k \|\mathbf{x}_{h+1} - \mathbf{x}_h\|^2 \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} (\tau^2 + 2\delta\tau)$$

where τ is the maximum distance between consecutive fixed point sets $\text{fix}(\mathcal{T}_k)$ and $\text{fix}(\mathcal{T}_{k-1})$, and δ is the diameter of \mathcal{T}_k 's domains.

Proof. \mathcal{T}_k contractive: using triangle inequality and contractiveness we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k\| &\leq \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\| + \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\| \\ &\leq (1+\zeta) \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\| \\ &\leq (1+\zeta)(\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_k^*\| + \sigma) \\ &\leq (1+\zeta) \left(\zeta^k \|\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}_0^*\| + \frac{\sigma}{1-\zeta} \right) = \frac{1+\zeta}{1-\zeta} \sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Taking the square and averaging over time we get:

$$\frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{h=0}^k \|\mathbf{x}_{h+1} - \mathbf{x}_h\|^2 \leq \left(\frac{1+\zeta}{1-\zeta} \sigma \right)^2.$$

\mathcal{T}_k averaged: using the averagedness we have

$$\|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\|^2 \leq \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\|^2 - \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k\|^2;$$

rearranging and using triangle and Cauchy-Schwarz inequalities we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k\|^2 &\leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \left(\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\|^2 - \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\|^2 \right) \\ &\leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \left(\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_k^*\|^2 - \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\|^2 + \|\mathbf{x}_k^* - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\|^2 + 2 \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\| \|\mathbf{x}_k^* - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\| \right) \\ &\leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \left(\|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_k^*\|^2 - \|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_{k+1}^*\|^2 + \tau^2 + 2\delta\tau \right) \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows by $\|\mathbf{x}_k^* - \mathbf{x}_{k-1}^*\| \leq \tau$ and δ being the diameter of the compact domain.

Averaging over time, and noticing that the error terms cancel out we have

$$\frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{h=0}^k \|\mathbf{x}_{h+1} - \mathbf{x}_h\|^2 \leq \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{k+1} \|\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}_0^*\|^2 + \tau^2 + 2\delta\tau \right) = \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} (\tau^2 + 2\delta\tau).$$

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References

- [1] H. H. Bauschke and P. L. Combettes, *Convex analysis and monotone operator theory in Hilbert spaces*. CMS books in mathematics, Cham: Springer, 2 ed., 2017.