CONVERGENCE AND STABILITY PROPERTIES OF A VECTOR PADÉ EXTRAPOLATION METHOD*

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Abstract

In this paper we introduce a new convergence accelerator for vector sequences — vector Padé approximation method(VPA), discuss its convergence and stability properties, and show that it is a bona fide acceleration method for some vector sequences.

1. Introduction

There are two well known families of convergence acceleration methods for vector sequences: polynomial methods and epsilon algorithms. Five classical methods have been discussed in [10]: the minimal polynomial extrapolation(MPE) of Cabay and Jackson^[2], the reduced rank extrapolation(RRE) of Eddy^[3] and Mešina^[4], the scalar epsilon algorithm(SEA) and the vector epsilon algorithm(VEA) of Wynn^[11,12], and the topological epsilon algorithm(TEA) of Brezinski^[1]. In a recent paper [9], Sidi et al. improved the MPE and RRE methods and obtained a modified minimal polynomial extrapolation method(MMPE). Convergence and stability analyses of MPE, RRE, MMPE and TEA are discussed in [7] and [9] respectively. In [14] a rational acceleration method using vector Padé approximation is derived. This method also has the following important properties:

- (1) It accelerates the convergence of a slowly converging vector sequence and makes a diverging sequence converge to an "anti-limit" which will be defined in the next section.
- (2) It depends only upon the given vector sequence whose convergence is being accelerated; it does not depend on how the vector sequence is generated.
- (3) It can use partial components of the vectors to accelerate convergence of the whole vectors.

We call this new method vector Padé approximation method(VPA). In [14] we also gave some properties of VPA, and obtained an algorithm quite similar to the H-algorithm^[7]. In this paper, we first introduce vector Padé approximation and an associated acceleration method (i.e., VPA) in 2. From the viewpoint of Shanks' transformation^[6] we will explain the relation between VPA and MMPE. Adopting

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the same technique as in [9], we will analyze the convergence and stability properties of VPA in 3 and 4 respectively. It is easy to see that our conclusions and even the remarks are quite similar to those of [7] and [9]. All the results show that VPA is a bona fide convergence acceleration method.

2. Notations and description of VPA method

Let C^p be the p-dimensional linear complex space, and the inner product (\cdot, \cdot) and norm $\|\cdot\|$ be defined as usual.

In order to define vector Padé approximation, we introduce the following notations:

$$H_k := \{p(z): p(z) = \sum_{i=0}^k a_i z^i, a_i \in C\},$$

$$E_k := \{e(z) : e(z) = \sum_{i=k+1}^{\infty} a_i z^i, a_i \in C\},$$

$$Z_{+}^{p} := \{\vec{l} : \vec{l} = (l_1, \dots, l_p)^T, l_i \in Z_+, i = 1, \dots, p\},$$

where p is a given positive integer, and Z_+ is the set of all nonnegative integers. Define $|\vec{l}| = \sum_{i=1}^{p} l_i$, for $\vec{l} \in Z_+^p$,

$$H_n^p := (H_n, \dots, H_n)^T, \quad E_{\vec{w}}^p := (E_{w_1}, \dots, E_{w_p})^T.$$

If $g(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i z^i$, $c_i \in C$, we denote

$$T_{m,n}^{l}(g) = \begin{bmatrix} c_{l} & c_{l-1} & \cdots & c_{l-n+1} \\ c_{l+1} & c_{l} & \cdots & c_{l-n+2} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ c_{l+m-1} & c_{l+m} & \cdots & c_{l+m-n} \end{bmatrix} . \tag{2.1}$$

Here we define $c_i = 0$, if i < 0.

Definition. Let $f(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i z^i, c_i \in C^p$ be a given power series, $n \in Z_+$ and $\vec{w} = (w_1, \dots, w_p)^T \in Z_+^p$ be a given integer vector such that

$$\vec{e} := \vec{w} - n := (w_1 - n, \dots, w_p - n)^T \in Z_+^p, \qquad |\vec{w}| = p \cdot n + k$$

where k is a given integer. If we can find a vector polynomial $N(z) \in H_n^p$ and a scalar polynomial $M(z) \in H_k$ such that

$$f(z)M(z) - N(z) \in E_{\vec{w}}^p \quad and \quad M(0) = 1 ,$$
 (2.2)

then we call $N(z)M(z)^{-1}$ the $[n,k,\vec{w}]$ vector Padé approximation of f. We denote it as $[n,k,\vec{w}]_f$.

If $H(n, k, \vec{w})$ is nonsingular, then we have (see [13], [14])

$$M(z) = \frac{1}{\det H(n, k, \vec{w})} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & z & \cdots & z^k \\ B(n, k, \vec{w}) & H(n, k, \vec{w}) \end{vmatrix}, \qquad (2.3)$$

$$N(z) = \frac{1}{\det H(n, k, \vec{w})} \begin{vmatrix} f^{(n)} & zf^{(n-1)} & \cdots & z^k f^{(n-k)} \\ B(n, k, \vec{w}) & H(n, k, \vec{w}) \end{vmatrix},$$
(2.4)