



# An Inequality for Similarity Condition Numbers of Unbounded Operators with Schatten - von Neumann Hermitian Components

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**Abstract.** Let  $H$  be a linear unbounded operator in a separable Hilbert space. It is assumed the resolvent of  $H$  is a compact operator and  $H - H^*$  is a Schatten - von Neumann operator. Various integro-differential operators satisfy these conditions. Under certain assumptions it is shown that  $H$  is similar to a normal operator and a sharp bound for the condition number is suggested.

We also discuss applications of that bound to spectrum perturbations and operator functions.

## 1. Introduction and Statement of the Main Result

Let  $\mathfrak{H}$  be a separable Hilbert space with a scalar product  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ , the norm  $\|\cdot\| = \sqrt{(\cdot, \cdot)}$  and unit operator  $I$ . Two operators  $A$  and  $\tilde{A}$  acting in  $\mathfrak{H}$  are said to be similar if there exists a boundedly invertible bounded operator  $T$  such that  $\tilde{A} = T^{-1}AT$ . The constant  $\kappa_T = \|T^{-1}\|\|T\|$  is called the condition number. The condition number is important in applications. We refer the reader to [5], where condition number estimates are suggested for combined potential boundary integral operators in acoustic scattering and [23], where condition numbers are estimated for second-order elliptic operators. Conditions that provide the similarity of various operators to normal and selfadjoint ones were considered by many mathematicians, cf. [1, 4, 7], [14, 15], [17]-[21], and references given therein. In many cases, the condition number must be numerically calculated, e.g. [2, 20]. The interesting generalizations of condition numbers of bounded linear operators in Banach spaces were explored in the paper [13].

In the present paper we consider a class of unbounded operators in a Hilbert space with Schatten - von Neumann Hermitian components. Numerous integro-differential operators belong to that class. We suggest a sharp bound for the condition numbers of the considered operators. It generalizes and improves the bound for the condition numbers of operators with Hilbert-Schmidt Hermitian components from [11]. We also discuss applications of the obtained bound to spectrum perturbations and norm estimates for operator functions.

Introduce the notations. For a linear operator  $A$  in  $\mathfrak{H}$ ,  $Dom(A)$  is the domain,  $A^*$  is the adjoint of  $A$ ;  $\sigma(A)$  denotes the spectrum of  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$  is the inverse to  $A$ ;  $R_\lambda(A) = (A - I\lambda)^{-1}$  ( $\lambda \notin \sigma(A)$ ) is the resolvent;  $A_I := (A - A^*)/2i$ ;  $\lambda_k(A)$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ) are the eigenvalues of  $A$  taken with their multiplicities and enumerated as  $|\lambda_j(A)| \leq |\lambda_{j+1}(A)|$ , and  $\rho(A, \lambda) = \inf_k |\lambda - \lambda_k(A)|$ . By  $SN_r$  ( $1 \leq r < \infty$ ) we denote the Schatten - von Neumann ideal of compact operators  $K$  with the finite norm  $N_r(K) := [\text{Trace}(KK^*)^{r/2}]^{1/r}$ .

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Everywhere below  $H$  is an invertible operator in  $\mathfrak{S}$ , with the following properties:  $Dom(H) = Dom(H^*)$ , and there are an  $r \in [1, \infty)$  and an integer  $p \geq 1$ , such that

$$H^{-1} \in SN_r \text{ and } H_I \in SN_{2p}. \tag{1.1}$$

Note that instead of the condition  $H^{-1} \in SN_r$ , in our reasonings below, one can require the condition  $(H - aI)^{-1} \in SN_r$  for some point  $a \notin \sigma(H)$ . Since  $H^{-1}$  is compact,  $\sigma(H)$  is purely discrete. It is assumed that all the eigenvalues  $\lambda_j(H)$  of  $H$  are different. For a fixed integer  $m$  put

$$\delta_m(H) = \inf_{j=1,2,\dots; j \neq m} |\lambda_j(H) - \lambda_m(H)|.$$

It is further supposed that

$$\zeta_q(H) := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\delta_j^q(H)} \right]^{1/q} < \infty \left( \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{2p} = 1 \right) \tag{1.2}$$

for an integer  $p \geq 1$ . Hence it follows that

$$\hat{\delta}(H) := \inf_m \delta_m(H) = \inf_{j \neq k; j,k=1,2,\dots} |\lambda_j(H) - \lambda_k(H)| > 0. \tag{1.3}$$

Denote also

$$u_p(H) := \sqrt{2} \zeta_q(H) \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\beta_p^{kp+m} N_{2p}^{kp+m+1}(H_I)}{\delta^{kp+m}(H) \sqrt{k!}},$$

where

$$\beta_p := 2 \left( 1 + \frac{2p}{e^{2/3} \ln 2} \right). \tag{1.4}$$

Now we are in a position to formulate our main result.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let conditions (1.1) and (1.2) be fulfilled. Then there are an invertible operator  $T$  and a normal operator  $D$  acting in  $\mathfrak{S}$ , such that*

$$THx = DTx \quad (x \in Dom(H)). \tag{1.5}$$

Moreover,

$$\kappa_T := \|T^{-1}\| \|T\| \leq e^{2u_p(H)} \tag{1.6}$$

The proof of this theorem is divided into a series of lemmas which are presented in the next three sections. The theorem is sharp: if  $H$  is selfadjoint, then  $u_p(H) = 0$  and we obtain  $\kappa_T = 1$ .

As it is shown below, one can replace (1.6) by the inequality

$$\kappa_T \leq e^{2\hat{u}_p(H)}, \tag{1.7}$$

where

$$\hat{u}_p(H) := \sqrt{2} e \zeta_q(H) \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \frac{\beta_p^m N_{2p}^{m+1}(H_I)}{\delta^m(A)} \exp \left[ \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(H_I))^{2p}}{2\delta^{2p}(A)} \right].$$

In addition, below we show that in our considerations instead of  $\beta_p$  defined by (1.4) in the case

$$p = 2^{m-1}, \quad m = 2, 3, \dots, \text{ one can take } \hat{\beta}_p = 2(1 + \text{ctg}(\frac{\pi}{4p})) \text{ and } \hat{\beta}_1 = \sqrt{2} \tag{1.8}$$

instead of  $\beta_1$ .

To illustrate Theorem 1.1, consider the operator  $H = S + K$ , where  $K \in SN_{2p}$  and  $S$  is a positive definite selfadjoint operator with a discrete spectrum, whose eigenvalues are different and

$$\lambda_{j+1}(S) - \lambda_j(S) \geq b_0 j^\alpha \quad (b_0 = \text{const} > 0; \alpha > 1/q = (2p - 1)/(2p); j = 1, 2, \dots) \tag{1.9}$$

Since  $S$  is selfadjoint we have

$$\sup_k \inf_j |\lambda_k(H) - \lambda_j(S)| \leq \|K\|,$$

cf. [16]. Thus, if

$$2\|K\| < \inf_j (\lambda_{j+1}(S) - \lambda_j(S)), \tag{1.10}$$

then  $\hat{\delta}(H) \geq \inf_j (\lambda_{j+1}(S) - \lambda_j(S) - 2\|K\|)$  and (1.2) holds with

$$\zeta_q(H) \leq \zeta_q(S, K), \text{ where } \zeta_q(S, K) := \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (\lambda_{j+1}(S) - \lambda_j(S) - 2\|K\|)^{-q} \right]^{1/q} < \infty.$$

**Example 1.2.** Consider in  $L^2(0, 1)$  the spectral problem

$$u^{(4)}(x) + (Ku)(x) = \lambda u(x) \quad (\lambda \in \mathbb{C}, 0 < x < 1); \quad u(0) = u(1) = u''(0) = u''(1) = 0,$$

where  $K \in SN_{2p}, p \geq 1$  for an arbitrary  $p \geq 1$ . So  $H$  is defined by  $H = d^4/dx^4 + K$  with

$$Dom(H) = \{v \in L^2(0, 1) : v^{(4)} \in L^2(0, 1), v(0) = v(1) = v''(0) = v''(1) = 0\}.$$

Take  $S = d^4/dx^4$  with  $Dom(S) = Dom(H)$ . Then  $\lambda_j(S) = \pi^4 j^4$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $\lambda_{j+1}(S) - \lambda_j(S) \geq 4\pi^4 j^3$ . If  $\|K\| < 2\pi^4$ , then  $\hat{\delta}(H) \geq 4\pi^4 - 2\|K\|$  and

$$\zeta_q^q(H) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (4\pi^4 j^3 - 2\|K\|)^{-q} < \infty.$$

Now one can directly apply Theorem 1.1.

**2. Auxiliary Results**

Let  $B_0$  be a bounded linear operator in  $\mathfrak{H}$  having a finite chain of invariant projections  $P_k$  ( $k = 1, \dots, n; n < \infty$ ):

$$0 \subset P_1\mathfrak{H} \subset P_2\mathfrak{H} \subset \dots \subset P_n\mathfrak{H} = \mathfrak{H} \tag{2.1}$$

and

$$P_k B_0 P_k = B_0 P_k \quad (k = 1, \dots, n). \tag{2.2}$$

That is,  $B_0$  maps  $P_k\mathfrak{H}$  into  $P_k\mathfrak{H}$  for each  $k$ . Put

$$\Delta P_k = P_k - P_{k-1} \quad (P_0 = 0) \text{ and } A_k = \Delta P_k B_0 \Delta P_k.$$

It is assumed that the spectra  $\sigma(A_k)$  of  $A_k$  in  $\Delta P_k\mathfrak{H}$  satisfy the condition

$$\sigma(A_k) \cap \sigma(A_j) = \emptyset \quad (j \neq k; j, k = 1, \dots, n). \tag{2.3}$$

**Lemma 2.1.** One has

$$\sigma(B_0) = \cup_{k=1}^n \sigma(A_k).$$

For the proof see [11].

Under conditions (2.1), (2.2) put

$$Q_k = I - P_k, B_k = Q_k B_0 Q_k \text{ and } C_k = \Delta P_k B_0 Q_k.$$

Since  $B_j$  is a block triangular operator matrix, according to the previous lemma we have

$$\sigma(B_j) = \cup_{k=j+1}^n \sigma(A_k) \quad (j = 0, \dots, n).$$

Under this condition, according to the Rosenblum theorem from [22], the equation

$$A_j X_j - X_j B_j = -C_j \quad (j = 1, \dots, n - 1) \tag{2.4}$$

has a unique solution (see also [6, Section I.3] and [3]). We need also the following result proved in [11].

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let condition (2.3) hold and  $X_j$  be a solution to (2.4). Then*

$$(I - X_{n-1})(I - X_{n-2}) \cdots (I - X_1) B_0 (I + X_1)(I + X_2) \cdots (I + X_{n-1}) = A_1 + A_2 + \dots + A_n. \tag{2.5}$$

Take

$$\hat{T}_n = (I + X_1)(I + X_2) \cdots (I + X_{n-1}). \tag{2.6}$$

It is simple to see that the inverse to  $I + X_j$  is the operator  $I - X_j$ . Thus,

$$\hat{T}_n^{-1} = (I - X_{n-1})(I - X_{n-2}) \cdots (I - X_1) \tag{2.7}$$

and (2.5) can be written as

$$\hat{T}_n^{-1} B_0 \hat{T}_n = \text{diag} (A_k)_{k=1}^n. \tag{2.8}$$

By the inequalities between the arithmetic and geometric means we get

$$\|\hat{T}_n\| \leq \prod_{k=1}^{n-1} (1 + \|X_k\|) \leq \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \|X_k\| \right)^{n-1} \tag{2.9}$$

and

$$\|\hat{T}_n^{-1}\| \leq \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \|X_k\| \right)^{n-1}. \tag{2.10}$$

Furthermore, we need the following result

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let  $M$  be a linear operator in  $\mathfrak{S}$ , such that  $\text{Dom} (M) = \text{Dom} (M^*)$  and  $M_I = (M - M^*)/2i \in \text{SN}_{2p}$  for some integer  $p \geq 1$ . Then*

$$\|R_\lambda(M)\| \leq \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(M_I))^{kp+m}}{\rho^{pk+m+1}(M, \lambda) \sqrt{k!}} \quad (\lambda \notin \sigma(M)). \tag{2.11}$$

Moreover, one has

$$\|R_\lambda(M)\| \leq \sqrt{e} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(M_I))^m}{\rho^{m+1}(M, \lambda)} \exp \left[ \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(M_I))^{2p}}{2\rho^{2p}(M, \lambda)} \right] \quad (\lambda \notin \sigma(M)). \tag{2.12}$$

For the proof in the case  $p > 1$  see [8, Theorem 7.9.1]. The case  $p = 1$  is proved in [8, Theorem 7.7.1]. Besides,  $\beta_p$  can be replaced by  $\hat{\beta}_p$  according to (1.8).

### 3. The Finite Dimensional Case

In this section we apply Lemma 2.3 to an  $n \times n$ -matrix  $A$  whose eigenvalues are different and are enumerated in the increasing way of their absolute values. We define

$$\hat{\delta}(A) := \min_{j,k=1,\dots,n; k \neq j} |\lambda_j(A) - \lambda_k(A)| > 0. \tag{3.1}$$

Hence, there is an invertible matrix  $T_n \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and a normal matrix  $D_n \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , such that

$$T_n^{-1} A T_n = D_n. \tag{3.2}$$

Furthermore, for a fixed  $m \leq n$  put

$$\delta_j(A) = \inf_{m=1,2,\dots,n; m \neq j} |\lambda_j(A) - \lambda_m(A)|.$$

Let  $\{e_k\}$  be the Schur basis (the orthogonal normal basis of the triangular representation) of matrix  $A$ :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 0 & a_{22} & a_{23} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $a_{jj} = \lambda_j(A)$ . Take  $P_j = \sum_{k=1}^j (\cdot, e_k)e_k$ .  $B_0 = A$ ,  $\Delta P_k = (\cdot, e_k)e_k$ ,

$$Q_j = \sum_{k=j+1}^n (\cdot, e_k)e_k, A_k = \Delta P_k A \Delta P_k = \lambda_k(A) \Delta P_k,$$

$$B_j = Q_j A Q_j = \begin{pmatrix} a_{j+1,j+1} & a_{j+1,j+2} & \dots & a_{j+1,n} \\ 0 & a_{j+2,j+2} & \dots & a_{j+2,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$C_j = \Delta P_j A Q_j = ( a_{j,j+1} \quad a_{j,j+2} \quad \dots \quad a_{j,n} )$$

and

$$D_n = \text{diag}(\lambda_k(A)). \tag{3.4}$$

In addition,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1(A) & C_1 \\ 0 & B_1 \end{pmatrix}, B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_2(A) & C_2 \\ 0 & B_2 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, B_j = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{j+1}(A) & C_{j+1} \\ 0 & B_{j+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

( $j < n$ ). So  $B_j$  is an upper-triangular  $(n - j) \times (n - j)$ -matrix. Equation (2.4) takes the form

$$\lambda_j(A)X_j - X_j B_j = -C_j.$$

Since  $X_j = X_j Q_j$ , we can write  $X_j(\lambda_j(A)Q_j - B_j) = C_j$ . Therefore

$$X_j = C_j (\lambda_j(A)Q_j - B_j)^{-1}. \tag{3.5}$$

The inverse operator is understood in the sense of subspace  $Q_j \mathbb{C}^n$ . Hence,

$$\|X_j\| \leq \|C_j\| \|(\lambda_j(A)Q_j - B_j)^{-1}\|.$$

Besides, due to (2.11)

$$\|(\lambda_j(A)Q_j - B_j)^{-1}\| \leq \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(B_{jl}))^{kp+m}}{\delta_j^{kp+m+1}(A) \sqrt{k!}},$$

where  $B_{jl}$  is the imaginary Hermitian component of  $B_j$ .

But  $N_{2p}(B_{jl}) = N_{2p}(Q_j A_l Q_j) \leq N_{2p}(A_l)$  ( $j \geq 1$ ). So

$$\|(\lambda_j(A)Q_j - B_j)^{-1}\| \leq \frac{\tau(A)}{\delta_j(A)}$$

where

$$\tau(A) = \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(A_l))^{kp+m}}{\delta_j^{kp+m}(A) \sqrt{k!}}.$$

Consequently,

$$\|X_j\| \leq \tau(A) \frac{\|C_j\|}{\delta_j(A)}.$$

Take  $T_n = \hat{T}_n$  as in (2.6) with  $X_k$  defined by (3.5). Besides (2.9) and (2.10) imply

$$\|T_n\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \|X_j\|\right)^{n-1} \leq \left(1 + \frac{\tau(A)}{(n-1)} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\|C_j\|}{\delta_j(A)}\right)^{n-1} \tag{3.6}$$

and

$$\|T_n^{-1}\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\tau(A)}{(n-1)} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\|C_j\|}{\delta_j(A)}\right)^{n-1}. \tag{3.7}$$

But by the Hölder inequality,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\|C_j\|}{\delta_j(A)} \leq \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \|C_j\|^{2p}\right)^{1/2p} \zeta_q(A) \quad (1/(2p) + 1/q = 1), \tag{3.8}$$

where

$$\zeta_q(A) := \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{\delta_k^q(A)}\right)^{1/q}.$$

In addition,

$$\|C_j\|^2 \leq \sum_{k=j+1}^n |a_{jk}|^2, \quad j < n; \quad C_n = 0,$$

and

$$4\|A_I e_j\|^2 = \|(A - A^*)e_j\|^2 = |a_{jj} - \bar{a}_{jj}|^2 + 2 \sum_{k=j+1}^n |a_{jk}|^2 \geq 2\|C_j\|^2; \quad j < n.$$

Thus,  $\|C_j\| \leq \sqrt{2}\|A_I e_j\|, j \leq n$  and therefore

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \|C_j\|^{2p} \leq 2^p \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \|A_I e_j\|^{2p}.$$

But from Lemmas II.4.1 and II.3.4 [12], it follows that

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \|A_I e_j\|^{2p} \leq N_{2p}^{2p}(A_I).$$

Therefore relations (3.6)-(3.8) with the notation

$$\psi_{n,p}(A) = \left(1 + \frac{\tau(A) \sqrt{2} N_{2p}(A_I) \zeta_q(A)}{n-1}\right)^{n-1}$$

imply  $\|T_n\| \leq \psi_{n,p}(A)$  and  $\|T_n^{-1}\| \leq \psi_{n,p}(A)$ .

We thus have proved the following.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let condition (3.1) be fulfilled. Then there is an invertible operator  $T_n$ , such that (3.2) holds with  $\kappa_{T_n} := \|T_n^{-1}\| \|T_n\| \leq \psi_{n,p}^2(A)$ .*

According to (2.12) one can replace  $\tau(A)$  by

$$\hat{\tau}(A) := \sqrt{e} \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(A_I))^m}{\hat{\delta}^m(A)} \exp \left[ \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(A_I))^{2p}}{2\hat{\delta}^{2p}(A)} \right]$$

and therefore

$$\kappa_{T_n} \leq \hat{\psi}_{n,p}^2(A), \tag{3.9}$$

where

$$\hat{\psi}_{n,p}(A) = \left( 1 + \frac{\hat{\tau}(A) \sqrt{2} N_{2p}(A_I) \zeta_q(A)}{n-1} \right)^{n-1}.$$

The previous lemma and (3.9) improve the bound from [9, 10] for the condition numbers of matrices with large  $n$ .

#### 4. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Recall the Keldysh theorem, cf. [12, Theorem V. 8.1].

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $A = S(I + K)$ , where  $S = S^* \in SN_r$  for some  $r \in [1, \infty)$  and  $K$  is compact. In addition, let from  $Af = 0$  ( $f \in \mathfrak{S}$ ) it follows that  $f = 0$ . Then  $A$  has a complete system of root vectors.*

We need the following result.

**Lemma 4.2.** *Under the hypothesis of Theorem 1.1, operator  $H^{-1}$  has a complete system of root vectors.*

*Proof.* We can write  $H = H_R + iH_I$  with the notation  $H_R = (H + H^*)/2$ . For any real  $c$  with  $-c \notin \sigma(H) \cup \sigma(H_R)$  we have

$$(H + cI)^{-1} = (I + i(H_R + cI)^{-1}H_I)^{-1}(H_R + cI)^{-1}.$$

But  $(I + i(H_R + cI)^{-1}H_I)^{-1} - I = K_0$ , where  $K_0 = -i(H_R + cI)^{-1}H_I(I + i(H_R + cI)^{-1}H_I)^{-1}$  is compact. So

$$(H + cI)^{-1} = (H_R + cI)^{-1}(I + K_0). \tag{4.1}$$

Due to (1.1)  $(H + cI)^{-1} = H^{-1}(I + cH^{-1})^{-1} \in SN_r$ . Hence

$$(H_R + cI)^{-1} = (I + i(H_R + cI)^{-1}H_I)(H + cI)^{-1} \in SN_r$$

and therefore by (4.1) and the Keldysh theorem operator  $(H + cI)^{-1}$  has a complete system of roots vectors. Since  $(H + cI)^{-1}$  and  $H^{-1}$  commute,  $H^{-1}$  has a complete system of roots vectors, as claimed.  $\square$

From the previous lemma it follows that there is an orthonormal (Schur) basis  $\{\hat{e}_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ , in which  $H^{-1}$  is represented by a triangular matrix (see [12, Lemma I.4.1]). Denote  $\hat{P}_k = \sum_{j=1}^k (\cdot, \hat{e}_j)\hat{e}_j$ . Then

$$H^{-1}\hat{P}_k = \hat{P}_k H^{-1}\hat{P}_k \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Besides,

$$\Delta\hat{P}_k H^{-1}\Delta\hat{P}_k = \lambda_k^{-1}(H)\Delta\hat{P}_k \quad (\Delta\hat{P}_k = \hat{P}_k - \hat{P}_{k-1}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots; \hat{P}_0 = 0). \tag{4.2}$$

Put

$$D = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k \Delta\hat{P}_k \quad (\Delta\hat{P}_k = \hat{P}_k - \hat{P}_{k-1}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots) \text{ and } V = H - D.$$

We have

$$H\hat{P}_k f = \hat{P}_k H\hat{P}_k f \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots; \quad f \in \text{Dom}(H)). \tag{4.3}$$

Indeed,  $H^{-1}\hat{P}_k$  is an invertible  $k \times k$  matrix, and therefore,  $H^{-1}\hat{P}_k\mathfrak{H}$  is dense in  $\hat{P}_k\mathfrak{H}$ . Since  $\Delta\hat{P}_j\hat{P}_k = 0$  for  $j > k$ , we have  $0 = \Delta\hat{P}_jHH^{-1}\hat{P}_k = \Delta\hat{P}_jH\hat{P}_kH^{-1}\hat{P}_k$ . Hence  $\Delta\hat{P}_jHf = 0$  for any  $f \in \hat{P}_kH$ . This implies (4.3).

Furthermore, put  $H_n = HP_n$ . Due to (4.3) we have

$$\|H_n f - Hf\| \rightarrow 0 \quad (f \in \text{Dom}(H)) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \tag{4.4}$$

From Lemma 3.1 and (4.4) with  $A = H_n$  it follows that in  $\hat{P}_n\mathfrak{H}$  there is a invertible operator  $T_n$  such that  $T_n H_n = \hat{P}_n D T_n$  and

$$\|T_n\| \leq \psi_{n,p}(H_n) := \left(1 + \frac{\tau(H_n) \sqrt{2} N_{2p}(H_{n1}) \zeta_q(H_n)}{n-1}\right)^{n-1}$$

where

$$\tau(H_n) = \sum_{m=0}^{p-1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\beta_p N_{2p}(H_{n1}))^{kp+m}}{\delta^{kp+m}(H_n) \sqrt{k!}}.$$

It is clear, that

$$\tau(H_n) \sqrt{2} N_{2p}(H_{n1}) \zeta_q(H_n) \leq \tau(H) \sqrt{2} N_{2p}(H_1) \zeta_q(H) = u_p(H)$$

and therefore

$$\|T_n\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{u_p(H)}{n-1}\right)^{n-1} \leq e^{u_p(H)}.$$

Similarly,  $\|T_n^{-1}\| \leq e^{u_p(H)}$ .

So there is a weakly convergent subsequence  $T_{n_j}$  whose limit we denote by  $T$ . It is simple to check that  $T_n = P_n T$ . Since projections  $P_n$  converge strongly, subsequence  $\{T_{n_j}\}$  converges strongly. Thus  $T_{n_j} H_{n_j} f \rightarrow THf$  strongly and, therefore  $\hat{P}_{n_j} D T_{n_j} f = T_{n_j} H_{n_j} f \rightarrow THf$  strongly. Letting  $n_j \rightarrow \infty$  hence we arrive at the required result.  $\square$

Inequality (1.7) follows from (3.9) according to the above arguments.

### 5. Operators with Hilbert - Schmidt Components

In this section in the case  $p = 1$  we slightly improve Theorem 1.1. Besides, the misprint in the main result from [11] is corrected.

Denote

$$g(H) := \sqrt{2} [N_2^2(H_1) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |\text{Im } \lambda_k(H)|^2]^{1/2} \leq \sqrt{2} N_2(H_1),$$

and

$$\tau_2(H) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{g^{k+1}(H)}{\sqrt{k!} \delta^k(H)}.$$

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let conditions (1.1) and (1.2) be fulfilled with  $p = 1$ . Then there are an invertible operator  $T$  and a normal operator  $D$  acting in  $\mathfrak{H}$ , such that (1.5) holds. Moreover,*

$$\kappa_T \leq e^{2\zeta_2(H)\tau_2(H)}. \tag{5.1}$$

*Proof.* Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$ -matrix whose eigenvalues are different. Define  $\hat{\delta}(A)$ ,  $\delta_m(A)$  and  $\zeta_2(A)$  as in Section 3. We have

$$g(A) := \sqrt{2} [N_2^2(A_1) - \sum_{k=1}^n |\text{Im } \lambda_k(A)|^2]^{1/2}.$$

Put

$$\tau_2(A) := \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \frac{g^{k+1}(A)}{\sqrt{k!} \delta^k(A)} \text{ and } \gamma_n(A) := \left(1 + \frac{\zeta_2(A)\tau_2(A)}{n-1}\right)^{2(n-1)}.$$



Due to Lemma 3.1 from [11], there are an invertible matrix  $M_n \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and a normal matrix  $D_n \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , such that  $M_n^{-1}AM_n = D_n$ . and

$$\|M_n^{-1}\| \|M_n\| \leq \gamma_n(A). \tag{5.2}$$

Now take  $H_n$  and  $\hat{P}_n$  as in the proof of Theorem 1.1 from which it follows follows that in  $\hat{P}_n\mathfrak{H}$  there is a invertible operator  $T_n$  such that  $T_nH_n = \hat{P}_nDT_n$ . Besides, according to (5.2)

$$\|T_n^{-1}\| \|T_n\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\zeta_2(H_n)\tau_2(H_n)}{n-1}\right)^{2(n-1)}$$

with

$$\tau_2(H_n) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-2} \frac{g^{k+1}(H_n)}{\sqrt{k!}\delta^k(H_n)}.$$

It is simple to see that  $\zeta_2(H_n) \leq \zeta_2(H)$ ,  $\tau_2(H_n) \leq \tau_2(H)$  and thus

$$\|T_n^{-1}\| \|T_n\| \leq e^{2\zeta_2(H)\tau_2(H)}.$$

Hence taking into account (4.4) and that a subsequence of  $\{T_n\}$  strongly converges (see the proof of Theorem 1.1), we arrive at the required result.  $\square$

### 6. Applications of Theorem 1.1

Rewrite (1.5) as  $Hx = T^{-1}DTx$ . Let  $\Delta P_k$  be the eigenprojections of the normal operator  $D$  and  $E_k = T^{-1}\Delta P_kT$ . Then

$$Hx = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k(H)E_kx \quad (x \in Dom(H)).$$

Let  $f(z)$  be a scalar function defined and bounded on the spectrum of  $H$ . Put

$$f(H) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(\lambda_k(H))E_k$$

and

$$\gamma_p(H) = e^{2u_p(H)}.$$

Theorem 1.1 immediately implies.

**Corollary 6.1.** *Let conditions (1.1) and (1.2) hold. Then  $\|f(H)\| \leq \gamma_p(H) \sup_k |f(\lambda_k(H))|$ .*

In particular, we have

$$\|e^{-Ht}\| \leq \gamma_p(H)e^{-\beta(H)t} \quad (t \geq 0),$$

where  $\beta(H) = \inf_k \operatorname{Re} \lambda_k(H)$  and

$$\|R_\lambda(H)\| \leq \frac{\gamma_p(H)}{\rho(H, \lambda)} \quad (\lambda \notin \sigma(H)). \tag{6.1}$$

Let  $A$  and  $\tilde{A}$  be linear operators. Then the quantity

$$sv_A(\tilde{A}) := \sup_{t \in \sigma(\tilde{A})} \inf_{s \in \sigma(A)} |t - s|$$

is said to be the variation of  $\tilde{A}$  with respect to  $A$ .

Now let  $\tilde{H}$  be a linear operator in  $\mathfrak{H}$  with  $Dom(H) = Dom(\tilde{H})$  and

$$\xi := \|H - \tilde{H}\| < \infty. \tag{6.2}$$

From (6.1) it follows that  $\lambda \notin \sigma(\tilde{H})$ , provided  $\xi\gamma_p(H) < \rho(H, \lambda)$ . So for any  $\mu \in \sigma(\tilde{H})$  we have  $\xi\gamma_p(H) \geq \rho(H, \mu)$ . This inequality implies our next result.

**Corollary 6.2.** *Let conditions (1.1), (1.2) and (6.2) hold. Then  $sv_H(\tilde{H}) \leq \xi\gamma_p(H)$ .*

Now consider unbounded perturbations. To this end put

$$H^{-\nu} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k^{-\nu}(H)E_k \quad (0 < \nu \leq 1).$$

Similarly  $H^\nu$  is defined. We have

$$\|H^\nu R_\lambda(H)\| \leq \frac{\gamma(H)}{\phi_\nu(H, \lambda)} \quad (\lambda \notin \sigma(H)), \tag{6.3}$$

where

$$\phi_\nu(H, \lambda) = \inf_k |(\lambda - \lambda_k(H))\lambda_k^{-\nu}(H)|.$$

Now let  $\tilde{H}$  be a linear operator in  $\mathfrak{S}$  with  $Dom(H) = Dom(\tilde{H})$  and

$$\xi_\nu := \|(H - \tilde{H})H^{-\nu}\| < \infty. \tag{6.4}$$

Take into account that

$$R_\lambda(H) - R_\lambda(\tilde{H}) = R_\lambda(H)(\tilde{H} - H)R_\lambda(\tilde{H}) = R_\lambda(\tilde{H})(\tilde{H} - H)H^{-\nu}H^\nu R_\lambda(H).$$

Thus,  $\lambda \notin \sigma(\tilde{H})$ , provided the conditions (6.4) and  $\xi_\nu\gamma_p(H) < \phi_\nu(H, \lambda)$  hold. So for any  $\mu \in \sigma(\tilde{H})$  we have

$$\xi_\nu\gamma(H) \geq \phi_\nu(H, \mu). \tag{6.5}$$

The quantity

$$\nu - rsv_H(\tilde{H}) := \sup_{t \in \sigma(\tilde{H})} \inf_{s \in \sigma(H)} |(t - s)s^{-\nu}|$$

is said to be the  $\nu$ - relative spectral variation of operator  $\tilde{H}$  with respect to  $H$ . Now (6.5) implies.

**Corollary 6.3.** *Let conditions (1.1), (1.2) and (6.4) hold. Then  $\nu - rsv_H(\tilde{H}) \leq \xi_\nu\gamma_p(H)$ .*

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