Fully guaranteed and computable bounds for eigenvalue problems

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Motivation : Kohn–Sham model (1965)

Compute the **electronic density** of a molecular system.

 $\label{eq:mathematical problem} \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Mathematical problem}: \mbox{M} \mbox{ nonlinear eigenvalue} \\ \mbox{value} \mbox{ equations in 3D} \end{array}$

Find M orthonormal eigenfunctions

$$\Phi^{0} = (\phi_{1}^{0}, \ldots, \phi_{M}^{0}) \in X = \left\{ \Phi = (\phi_{1}, \ldots, \phi_{M}) \in \left[H^{1}(\Omega) \right]^{M} \middle| \int_{\Omega} \phi_{i} \phi_{j} = 1 \right\}$$

with corresponding lowest eigenvalues $\lambda_1^0, \ldots, \lambda_M^0$, such that

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\Delta + V_{\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{k}},\rho_{[\Phi^0]}}^{\mathbf{KS}}\right)\phi_i^0 = \lambda_i^0\phi_i^0, \quad i = 1, \dots, M, \quad \text{with} \quad \rho_{[\Phi^0]} = 2\sum_{i=1}^M |\phi_i^0|^2$$

Difficulties : Several eigenvalues to compute, possibly degenerate, nonlinearity. In practice, approximate solutions.

How to estimate the errors?



Input $\{\mathbf{R}_k\}$ (atomic positions) \downarrow Reference model \downarrow Approximate model

1- Model error

Error of the mathematical model with respect to a reference model.

In our case :

- Simplification of the Schrödinger equation
- Dimension reduction
- Introduction of a nonlinear eigenvalue problem (DFT)
- K-point sampling
- Pseudopotentials

Input $\{\mathbf{R}_k\}$ (atomic positions) \downarrow Reference model \downarrow Approximate model \downarrow Discretization 1- Model error

2- Discretization error

Error between the solution in the whole space X and the solution in the approximate space X_h

Different discretization methods :

- Finite elements
- Planewaves
- ► Wavelets
- Gaussians

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- 1- Model error
- 2- Discretization error

3- Algorithmic error

Error between the solution on the discrete space X_h and the solution computed with the chosen algorithm

Example :

 Use of an iterative process to solve the problem (finite number of iterations)

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- 1- Model error
- 2- Discretization error
- 3- Algorithmic error

4- Numerical error

- Numerical integration errors
- Roundoff errors
- Errors caused by possible defects in computer codes (bugs or random hardware failures)

Toward certified and optimized molecular simulations

A lot of approximations

- ► How large is the total error?
- ► How large is each error component?

Two main goals :

- 1. Certify the precision of the results.
- 2. **Optimize** the computational ressources : minimize the computational cost to obtain a desired accuracy.

Wish-list for a good error bound



The goal is to derive an inequality of the type :

$$\|(\Phi^0, \lambda^0) - (\Phi, \lambda)\|_? \le \eta(\textit{disc., algo., ...}) =$$
 Error bound

Properties of the error bound :

- 1. Computable upper bound of the error
- 2. Valid under checkable assumptions
- 3. Efficient (close to the error)
- 4. Cheap to compute
- 5. Allow adaptivity

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Error estimation for a boundary value problem

Problem : solve Au = f. Residual Res(v) = Av - f. There holds Res(u) = 0 but in general $Res(u_N) \neq 0$.

Measure on the error with respect to the equation.

Galerkin method : Solve

$$\langle Au, v \rangle = \langle f, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in V.$$

Discrete problem :

$$\langle Au_N, v \rangle = \langle f, v \rangle \quad \forall v \in V_N.$$

Error estimation :

$$\langle \mathsf{Res}(u_N), \mathbf{v}
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We obtain

$$||A^{1/2}(u_N-u)|| \le ||A^{-1/2}Res(u_N)||.$$

 $(A^{1/2} \text{ norm corresponds to energy norm})$

Bauer–Fikke error bound for eigenvalue problems

Problem : Solve $Au = \lambda u$.

Approximate solution (u_N, λ_N) : $Res_N = Au_N - \lambda_N u_N$.

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Theorem (Bauer-Fike)
Assumption : A is a diagonalizable matrix.
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Let X be the matrix that transforms it into diagonal form. Then, there exists an eigenvalue λ of A such that

 $|\lambda - \lambda_N| \leq \mathsf{Cond}(X) \|\mathsf{Res}_N\|_2$

Hermitian case : If A is hermitian, then

 $|\lambda - \lambda_N| \le \|\mathsf{Res}_N\|_2.$

Proof

Assume that λ_N is not an eigenvalue of A. Diagonalization of $A : A = XDX^{-1}$. $Res_N = Au_N - \lambda_N u_N$.

$$u_N = (A - \lambda_N)^{-1} Res_N$$

= $X (D - \lambda_N)^{-1} X^{-1} Res_N$

Therefore,

$$1 = X(D - \lambda_N)^{-1} X^{-1} Res_N$$

 $\leq \|X\|_2 \| (D - \lambda_N)^{-1} \|_2 \|X^{-1}\|_2 \|Res_N\|_2.$

Hence

$$1 \leq \mathsf{Cond}(X) \| \mathit{Res}_{\mathcal{N}} \|_2 \max_{\lambda_i \in \Lambda(\mathcal{A})} |\lambda_i - \lambda_{\mathcal{N}}|^{-1}.$$

(See Saad 1992)

Numerical illustration



Kato–Temple error bounds for eigenvalue problems

Theorem **(Kato–Temple)** Let u_N be an approximate eigenvector of A and $\lambda_N = \langle Au_N, u_N \rangle$. Let λ be the eigenvalue closest to λ_N and δ the distance from λ_N to the rest of the spectrum

$$\delta = \min_{i} \{ |\lambda_i - \lambda_N|, \quad \lambda_i \neq \lambda \}$$

Then

$$\lambda_N - \lambda \le \frac{\|\operatorname{Res}_N\|_2^2}{\delta}.$$

Proof : First show that $(\beta - \lambda_N)(\lambda_N - \alpha) \leq ||Res_N||_2^2$, where (α, β) contains λ_N and no eigenvalue of A.

See Cances, Herbst, Levitt, Faraday Discussions, 2020.

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An asymptotically optimal bound

Theorem (Cances, D., Maday, Stamm, Vohralik) First bound :

$$|\lambda_N - \lambda| \le \|A^{-1/2} \operatorname{Res}_N\|_2^2 + (\lambda + \lambda_N) \|u - u_N\|_2^2$$

Second bound :

$$\begin{split} |\lambda_N - \lambda| &\leq C_N^{-1} \|A^{-1/2} \text{\it Res}_N\|_2^2 \\ \text{where } C_N &= \min\left\{ \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_N}{\lambda_{i-1}}\right)^2, \left(1 - \frac{\lambda_N}{\lambda_{i+1}}\right)^2 \right\} \end{split}$$

See Cances, Dusson, Maday, Stamm, Vohralik, Math. Comput. 89, 2563-2611 (2020).

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Quantity of interest : A

$$I(x) - I(x_*) \simeq [DI(x)][DR(x)]^{-1}R(x).$$

To estimate the error, one needs to estimate $[DI(x)][DR(x)]^{-1}R(x)$.

Possible bound : $||[DI(x)]|| ||[DR(x)]^{-1}|| ||R(x)||$.

Guaranteed bounds

Solve R(x) = 0 with $R: Y \to Z$.

Inverse function theorem - Newton–Kantorovitch $^{\rm 1}$

Two conditions to be satisfied :

•
$$DR(x) \in \mathcal{L}(Y; Z)$$
 is an isomorphism

▶ $2\|DR(x)^{-1}\|_{Z,Y'}L(2\|DR(x)^{-1}\|_{Z,Y'}\|R(x)\|_{Z'}) \le 1$

with $L(\alpha) = \sup_{y \in \overline{B}(x,\alpha)} \|DR(x) - DR(y)\|_{Y,Z'}.$

Then the problem R(x) = 0 has a unique solution x_* in the ball $\overline{B}(x, 2||DR(x)^{-1}||_{Z,Y'}||R(x)||_{Z'})$.



Moreover,
$$\|x - x_*\|_Y \le 2\|DR(x)^{-1}\|_{Z,Y'}\|R(x)\|_{Z'}.$$

- Possible to obtain guaranteed bounds
- Requires control over first and second order derivatives
- Result on existence of solution

^{1.} Caloz, Rappaz : Numerical analysis for nonlinear and bifurcation problems. Handb. Numer. Anal. 5, 487-637 (1997).

Main difficulties for applications to DFT

- Structure of the problem not too easy to write in this form constraints and degeneracies
- Computation of the inverse of the Jacobian very costly
- ► Choice of the norm in

$$||x - x_*||_Y \le 2||DF(x)^{-1}||_{Z,Y'}||F(x)||_{Z'}.$$

Inequalities may be suboptimal

Practical error bounds for DFT problems²

^{2.} Cances, D., Kemlin, Levitt : Practical error bounds for properties in plane-wave electronic structure calculations, http://arxiv.org/abs/2111.01470, (2021)

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Problem presentation : the Gross-Pitaevskii equation

Physical problem : Ground state of a system of bosons at very low temperature.

Nonlinear eigenvalue problem : Find $(\phi^0, \lambda^0) \in H^1_{\#}(\Omega)$ such that $\|\phi^0\|_{L^2} = 1$ and $(-\Delta + V + (\phi^0)^2)\phi^0 = \lambda^0\phi^0.$



A posteriori analysis–Approach

How to find a guaranteed, computable and guaranteed upper bound of the error $\|\phi^0 - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1}$?

Residual-based a posteriori analysis : $\operatorname{Res}(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k) = (-\Delta + V + (\phi_N^k)^2)\phi_N^k - \lambda_N^k \phi_N^k.$

First-order development of the residual :

$$0 = \operatorname{Res}(\phi^{0}, \lambda^{0}) \simeq \operatorname{Res}(\phi^{k}_{N}, \lambda^{k}_{N}) + D\operatorname{Res}_{(\phi^{k}_{N}, \lambda^{k}_{N})}(\phi^{0} - \phi^{k}_{N})$$
$$\phi^{0} - \phi^{k}_{N} \simeq -D\operatorname{Res}_{(\phi^{k}_{N}, \lambda^{k}_{N})}^{-1} \left(\operatorname{Res}(\phi^{k}_{N}, \lambda^{k}_{N})\right)$$

- ► A first **coarse** bound based on **inverse function theorem**, writing $\|\phi^0 - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1} \leq 2\|D \operatorname{Res}_{(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k)}^{-1}\|_{H^{-1}, H^1} \|\operatorname{Res}(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k)\|_{H^{-1}}.$
- ► A second **precise** bound valid only in the asymptotic regime, writing $-D \operatorname{Res}_{(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k)}^{-1} \left(\operatorname{Res}(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k) \right) = -\Delta^{-1} \operatorname{Res}(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k) + \text{ superconvergent terms.}$

Ref : Dusson, Maday 2017.

First a posteriori bound

To characterize the error bound :

- ► Determine computable conditions on N and k s.t. DRes_(φ^k_N, λ^k_N) is an isomorphism
- ► Find a computable bound for $\|D\operatorname{Res}_{(\phi_{N}^{k},\lambda_{N}^{k})}^{-1}\|_{H^{-1},H^{1}}$

Extra-computation : Resolution of a discrete linear eigenvalue problem.

Theorems (D., Maday) :

• Guaranteed bound : Under the previous conditions, there exists a unique (ϕ, λ) such that $\text{Res}(\phi, \lambda) = 0$ and

$$\|\phi - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1} + |\lambda - \lambda_N^k| \le 2\gamma \|\operatorname{Res}(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k)\|_{H^{-1}}$$
(1)

• **Ground state :** There exists a computable condition depending on $\|\phi - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1}$, $|\lambda - \lambda_N^k|$, ϕ_N^k , λ_N^k , μ_N^1 , μ_N^2 guaranteeing that (ϕ, λ) is the ground state (ϕ^0, λ^0) of our problem.

A coarse a posteriori error bound valid under computable conditions.

Second a posteriori bound

Theorem [Asymptotic error bound] (D., Maday) : If $\|\phi^0 - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1}$ and $|\lambda^0 - \lambda_N^k|$ are small enough, then we can show that $(1 - \varepsilon(\phi^0 - \phi_N^k, \lambda^0 - \lambda_N^k)) \|\phi^0 - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1} \le \|\text{Res}(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k)\|_{H^{-1}} + F(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k, \mu_N^1, \mu_N^2),$

where

 $\succ \varepsilon(\phi^0 - \phi_N^k, \lambda^0 - \lambda_N^k) \xrightarrow{\|\phi^0 - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1} \to 0} 0 \text{ can be estimated with the first}$

bound

► $F(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k, \mu_N^1, \mu_N^2)$ is asymptotically small, and equal to 0 if $\|(V + 3(\phi_N^k)^2 - \lambda_N^k - 1)_-\|_{L^{\infty}} = 0.$

Asymptotically,

$$\|\phi^{\mathbf{0}} - \phi_{N}^{k}\|_{H^{1}} \leq \alpha_{N}^{k} \|\operatorname{Res}(\phi_{N}^{k}, \lambda_{N}^{k})\|_{H^{-1}},$$

with α_N^k computable and as close to 1 as we wish.

Better bound...but guaranteed only if the error is small enough.

Numerical simulations

- ► Fourier coefficients of the potential V are given by $\hat{V}_k = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{|k|^4 - \frac{1}{4}}$.
- Reference solution computed in a discrete space with N=500.







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Error balance for efficient simulation

How to perform efficient simulations using error bounds?

Example : Error estimation comes from different sources 1, 2, 3.

$$\operatorname{Err}_{\operatorname{tot}} \simeq \operatorname{Err}_1 + \operatorname{Err}_2 + \operatorname{Err}_3.$$

Efficient scheme : try to balance the errors

$$\operatorname{Err}_1 \simeq \operatorname{Err}_2 \simeq \operatorname{Err}_3.$$

In that direction :

- ► Discretization and SCF iterations [D., Maday, IMA J. Numer. Anal. (2017)]
- Discretization and eigenvalue solver [Cances, D., Maday, Stamm, Vohralik, Numer. Math. (2018)]

Example of error balance

D., Maday, IMA J. Numer. Anal. (2017) : **Gross-Pitaevskii**-type eigenvalue problem (in 1d).

Two sources of error : discretization (dimension 2N + 1), iterations (k).

How to get the **best compromise** between the discretization and the number of iterations ?

1. Decompose the residual into two parts :

$$H_{\rho_N^k}\phi_N^k - \lambda_N^k\phi_N^k = \operatorname{Res}_{N,k} = \operatorname{Res}_N + \operatorname{Res}_k,$$

with

$$\operatorname{Res}_{N} = H_{\rho_{N}^{k-1}}\phi_{N}^{k} - \lambda_{N}^{k-1}\phi_{N}^{k-1},$$

$$\operatorname{Res}_{k} = \operatorname{H}_{\rho_{N}^{k}} \phi_{N}^{k} - \operatorname{H}_{\rho_{N}^{k-1}} \phi_{N}^{k} - \lambda_{N}^{k} \phi_{N}^{k} + \lambda_{N}^{k-1} \phi_{N}^{k-1}.$$

- 2. Decompose the error bound : essentially, $\|\phi^0 - \phi_N^k\|_{H^1} \le \alpha_N^k \|\operatorname{Res}(\phi_N^k, \lambda_N^k)\|_{H^{-1}} \le \alpha_N^k \left(\|\operatorname{Res}_N\|_{H^{-1}} + \|\operatorname{Res}_k\|_{H^{-1}}\right)$
- 3. Compute each of these terms for adaptative refinement.

Error balance results



Combining several sources of errors

In that direction :

- ► SCF error and basis set error [Maday, D. 2014]
- Inexact solver : error balance between iteration and discretization error³
- Error bounds on the whole band structure⁴



3. Cances, D., Maday, Stamm, Vohralik : Guaranteed and robust a posteriori bounds for Laplace eigenvalues and eigenvectors : a unified framework. Numer. Math. 140, 1033-1079 (2018)

4. Hoang, Plum, Wieners : A computer-assisted proof for photonic band gaps. Z. Angew. Math. Phys. 60, 1035 (2009).

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Thank you for your attention.