

## A Class of Interval-Newton-Operators

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### Abstract — Zusammenfassung

**A Class of Interval-Newton-Operators.** A class of interval-Newton-operators  $N_a$  will be discussed. One of them,  $\hat{N}$ , is optimal in the manner that  $\hat{N}(X) \subseteq N_a(X)$ . With the help of such an interval operator we can give an existence theorem for the solution  $x^*$  of the equation  $g(x) = 0$ .

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**Eine Klasse von Intervall-Newton-Operatoren.** Eine Klasse von Intervalloperatoren  $N_a$  wird diskutiert. Einer von ihnen —  $\hat{N}$  — ist optimal in dem Sinne, daß  $\hat{N}(X) \subseteq N_a(X)$  gilt. Mit Hilfe eines solchen Intervalloperators kann die Existenz einer Lösung  $x^*$  einer Gleichung  $g(x) = 0$  bewiesen werden.

### 1. Introduction

There are several interval-Newton-operators which are of the form

$$N(X) := x - S(X)g(x) \tag{1}$$

where  $x \in X$ , and  $S(X)$  is a sublinear mapping for fixed  $X$ ; hence  $N(X) = x^*$  if  $x = x^*$  is a zero of the equation  $g(x) = 0$ . For example:  $S(X)g(x) := IGA(L(X), g(x))$ , where  $IGA$  denotes the interval Gauss algorithm and  $L(X)$  is a regular Lipschitz matrix of  $g$  or an interval extension of the derivative  $g'(x)$ . In most cases,  $x = \tilde{x}$  is the midpoint of  $X$ . Instead of the interval Gauss algorithm, we can determine  $r := |e - aL|$ , where  $a$  is a regular real matrix. If the spectral radius of  $r$  is less than 1, then  $q := r(e - r)^{-1}$  exists and is a nonnegative matrix. Moreover,

$$N(X) := \tilde{x} - [e - q, e + q](ag(\tilde{x})) \tag{2}$$

is an interval-Newton-operator which depends on the matrix  $a$ . For  $a := (\text{mid } L)^{-1}$  the method was introduced in [4].

In this paper we will show that the choice of  $a = (\text{mid } L)^{-1}$  is optimal in that the image interval is contained in all intervals being produced by interval operators (2) with an arbitrary regular matrix  $a$ .

In [2] Alefeld has given some existence theorems for the solution of the equation  $g(x)=0$ . These theorems are based upon the condition  $N(X) \subseteq X$  and they are stated for several interval-Newton-operators  $N$ . However in all these cases it is assumed that  $L(X)$  is a continuous function. We also give an existence theorem for the interval-Newton-operators (2) without the assumption of continuity of  $L(X)$ .

*Remark about notation:* We use the same notation as in [7]; but for convenience of the reader, some notations are repeated. Small Latin letters denote real values and capital letters denote sets, intervals and maps. We denote the set of  $n$ -dimensional interval vectors and  $n \times n$ -interval matrices by  $\mathbb{I} \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{I} \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , respectively, use  $\text{mid } X = (\underline{x} + \bar{x})/2$ ,  $\text{mid } A = (\underline{a} + \bar{a})/2$  for the midpoints,  $\text{rad } X = (\bar{x} - \underline{x})/2$ ,  $\text{rad } A = (\bar{a} - \underline{a})/2$  for the radius of  $X \in \mathbb{I} \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $A \in \mathbb{I} \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , respectively.

Moreover, we set  $\mathbb{I} D := \{X \in \mathbb{I} \mathbb{R}^n \mid X \subseteq D\}$ . The unit matrix is written as  $e$ .  $\sigma(a)$  denotes the spectral radius of  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

For a discussion of interval arithmetic we refer to Alefeld/Herzberger [1].

## 2. A Class of Interval-Newton-Operators

Let  $g: D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a real function which satisfies an interval Lipschitz condition

$$g(x_1) - g(x_2) \in L(x_1 - x_2) \text{ for all } x_1, x_2 \in X, \quad (3)$$

where  $X \in \mathbb{I} D$  and  $L$  is a regular interval matrix.

Let  $S: \mathbb{I} \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{I} \mathbb{R}^n$  be a sublinear mapping (see Neumaier [8]) with the property

$$l^{-1} z \in Sz \text{ for } l \in L \text{ and } z \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad (4)$$

Then we call

$$N(X) := \tilde{x} - Sg(\tilde{x}) \text{ with } \tilde{x} = \text{mid}(X) \quad (5)$$

an *interval-Newton-operator* of  $g$ .

*Remark:* Generally,  $L$  and  $S$  depend on  $X$ , but in the following we consider a fixed interval  $X$ ; therefore the argument  $X$  will be deleted.

(3) and (4) immediately yield

$$g(x^*) = 0 \wedge x^* \in X \Rightarrow x^* \in N(X), \quad (6)$$

because  $g(x^*) - g(\tilde{x}) = l(x^* - \tilde{x})$  implies

$$x^* = \tilde{x} - l^{-1} g(\tilde{x}) \in \tilde{x} - Sg(\tilde{x}).$$

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a regular matrix. Then we define

$$r_a := |e - aL|, \quad (7)$$

and assume that

$$\sigma(r_a) < 1; \quad (8)$$

hence the matrix

$$q_a := r_a(e - r_a)^{-1} \quad (9)$$

exists and is a nonnegative matrix.

The sublinear mapping

$$S_a z := [e - q_a, e + q_a](az) \tag{10}$$

fulfills the condition (4) for each  $a \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  for which the assumption (8) is true. Indeed  $b := e - aL$  and  $l \in L$  imply  $b \in e - aL$  and  $|b| \leq |e - aL| = r_a$ . On the other hand  $b = e - al$  implies that  $l^{-1}z = (e - b)^{-1}(az)$ , and since

$$(e - b)^{-1} \in [e - q_a, e + q_a] \text{ (see (4.17) in [6]),}$$

we have  $l^{-1}z \in [e - q_a, e + q_a](az)$ .

Hence

$$N_a(X) := \tilde{x} - S_a g(\tilde{x}), \tag{11}$$

where  $S_a$  is defined by (10), defines a class of interval-Newton-operators.

### 3. The Optimal Interval-Newton-Operator of the Class (11)

The question is how to choose the matrix  $a$ . Before we give an answer we formulate a

**Lemma:** *If  $r_a := |e - aL|$ ,  $\hat{r} := |e - \hat{a}L|$  with  $\hat{a} := (\text{mid } L)^{-1}$ ,  $\sigma(\hat{r}) < 1$  and  $\sigma(r_a) < 1$  then the following statements are true:*

$$1. \quad \sigma(\hat{r}) \leq \sigma(r_a), \tag{12}$$

$$2. \quad |(a - \hat{a})z| \leq (r_a - \hat{r})(e - \hat{r})^{-1}|\hat{a}z|, \tag{13}$$

$$3. \quad |\hat{a}z| \leq (e - \hat{r})(e - r_a)^{-1}|az| \text{ with } z \in \mathbb{R}^n. \tag{14}$$

*Proof:*

1. (12) was proved by Neumaier (see Theorem 6 in [8]). ( $\hat{a}L$  is an  $H$ -matrix since  $\sigma(\hat{r}) < 1$ .)

2. We use the abbreviation  $\tilde{l} = \text{mid } L$  and put

$$b := a\tilde{l} - e. \tag{15}$$

Then the relation

$$r_a = |e - aL| = |a| \text{rad } L + |b| \tag{16}$$

holds (see (31) in [3]), which implies

$$\hat{r} = |\hat{a}| \text{rad } L. \tag{17}$$

From (15) follows

$$b\hat{a} = a - \hat{a}. \tag{18}$$

By inserting the inequality  $|a| \geq |\hat{a}| - |b|$  into (16) we obtain from (17)

$$|b| \leq r_a - \hat{r} + |b|\hat{r}$$

and (12)

$$|b| \leq (r_a - \hat{r})(e - \hat{r})^{-1}. \tag{19}$$

(18) and (19) yield (13).

3. Because of  $\sigma(|b|) \leq \sigma(r_a) < 1$ , (18) yields

$$|\hat{a}z| \leq |(e+b)^{-1}| |az| \leq (e-|b|)^{-1} |az|.$$

By inserting (19) into this inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{a}z| &\leq (e-(r_a-\hat{r})(e-\hat{r})^{-1})^{-1} |az| \\ &= (e-\hat{r})(e-r_a)^{-1} |az|. \end{aligned} \quad \blacksquare$$

We next give an answer to the question: “how to choose  $a$ ?” by using the

**Theorem 1:** If  $\hat{a} := (\text{mid } L)^{-1}$ ,  $\hat{r} := |e - \hat{a}L|$ ,  $\hat{q} := \hat{r}(e - \hat{r})^{-1}$  and

$$\hat{N}(X) := \tilde{x} - [e - \hat{q}, e + \hat{q}](\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})) \quad (20)$$

then

$$\hat{N}(X) \subseteq N_a(X) \quad (21)$$

for each  $a$  satisfying the condition (8).

*Proof:* It follows by the definition of radius and midpoint and the formulae (6.4), (6.5) in [7] as well as by the lemma

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{mid } N_a(X) - \text{mid } \hat{N}(X)| &= |(a - \hat{a})g(\tilde{x})| \\ &\leq (r_a - \hat{r})(e - \hat{r})^{-1} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| \\ &\leq r_a(e - \hat{r})^{-1}(e - \hat{r})(e - r_a)^{-1} |ag(\tilde{x})| - \hat{r}(e - \hat{r})^{-1} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| \\ &= q_a |ag(\tilde{x})| - \hat{q} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| \\ &= \text{rad } N_a(X) - \text{rad } \hat{N}(X). \end{aligned}$$

This relation is equivalent to  $\hat{N}(X) \subseteq N_a(X)$  (see (2.12) in [7]). \blacksquare

#### 4. Existence Theorem

**Theorem 2:** If  $N_a(X) \subseteq X$  then there exists an  $x^* \in X$  with  $g(x^*) = 0$ .

*Proof:* By Theorem 1 it is sufficient to prove the existence of  $x^*$  in the case that  $\hat{N}(X) \subseteq X$  for  $N_a(X) \subseteq X$  implies  $\hat{N}(X) \subseteq X$ .

If  $\hat{N}(X) \subseteq X$  then by (2.12) and (6.4) in [7] we obtain

$$|\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| \leq \text{rad } X - \text{rad } \hat{N}(X) = \text{rad } X - \hat{q} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})|,$$

and it follows from  $e + \hat{q} = (e - \hat{r})^{-1}$  that

$$(e - \hat{r})^{-1} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| \leq \text{rad } X.$$

Now we define  $Y \subseteq X$  by  $\text{mid } Y := \tilde{x}$  and

$$\text{rad } Y = (e - \hat{r})^{-1} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| \leq \text{rad } X. \quad (22)$$

Then

$$|\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| = (e - \hat{r})^{-1} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| - \hat{q} |\hat{a}g(\tilde{x})| = \text{rad } Y - \text{rad } \hat{N}(X),$$

i.e. by (2.12) in [7],  $\hat{N}(X) \subseteq Y$ .

On the other hand it follows from (20) by (22), (17) and  $e - \hat{a}L = [-\hat{r}, \hat{r}]$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{N}(X) &= \tilde{x} - \hat{a}g(\tilde{x}) + [-\hat{r}, \hat{r}] \text{ rad } Y \\ &= \tilde{x} - \hat{a}g(\tilde{x}) + (e - \hat{a}L)(Y - \tilde{x}) \subseteq Y.\end{aligned}$$

$e - \hat{a}L$  is an interval Lipschitz matrix of the function  $f(x) := x - \hat{a}g(x)$ , i.e.

$$f(x) - f(\tilde{x}) \in (e - \hat{a}L)(x - \tilde{x}) \subseteq (e - \hat{a}L)(Y - \tilde{x}) \text{ if } x \in Y.$$

Therefore,  $f(x) \in \hat{N}(X) \subseteq Y$  for all  $x \in Y$ , and by Brouwer's fixpoint theorem there exists a fixpoint  $x^* \in Y \subseteq X$  which is a zero of  $g(x)$  because  $\hat{a}$  is regular.

*Remark:* Theorem 2 is a consequence of the fact that  $\hat{N}(X)$  is an interval extension of  $f$  on the intersection  $X \cap Y$ . This is a result of Section 7 in [5].

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