

Guest Lecture

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Spectral approximation for singular differential operators via domain truncation

October 24, 2017 – 14:00 Room 8.526, University of Stuttgart, Pfaffenwaldring 57

Abstract: We study spectral convergence for sequences of unbounded linear operators T_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, that converge to some operator T in strong resolvent sense. It is well known that, even in the case of purely discrete spectra, the eigenvalues of T_n may accumulate at a point that is not an eigenvalue of T. In addition to the occurrence of such spurious eigenvalues, for non-selfadjoint operators not every eigenvalue of T may be approximated. We present sufficient conditions that prevent the occurrence of these two unwanted phenomena. The results are applied to non-selfadjoint Schrödinger operators in L²(\mathbb{R}^d) that are truncated to bounded but expanding domains in \mathbb{R}^d (based on joint work with P. Siegl and C. Tretter).

Local spectral convergence in the presence of essential spectrum

October 26, 2017 – 9:45 Room 8.526, University of Stuttgart, Pfaffenwaldring 57

Abstract: In this talk we consider sequences of linear operators that converge in strong resolvent sense to an operator with possibly non-empty essential spectrum. The goal is to identify regions in the complex plane where we have spectral convergence. The results are applied to differential operators, in particular to Schrödinger operators with complex potentials that decay at infinity.





