

Computing with Chebyshev polynomial series

Evaluation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -x & 1 & & \\ & 1 & -2x & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & 1 & -2x & \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots \\ & & & & & 1 & -2x & \\ & & & & & & 1 & \\ & & & & & & & L \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} T_0(x) \\ \vdots \\ T_n(x) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$T_n(x)$ e_1

Then $f(x_i) \approx p_n(x_i) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k T_k(x_i) = T_n(x_i)^T c = c^T L^{-T} e_1$

solve this.

The cost of $p_n(x_i)$ is $O(n)$ operations.

Integration:

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx \approx \int_{-1}^1 p_n(x) dx = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k \int_{-1}^1 T_k(x) dx = 2c_0 + \sum_{k=0}^n c_{2k} \frac{2}{1-(2k)^2}$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 T_k(x) dx = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } k=0, \\ \frac{2}{1-k^2}, & \text{if } k=\text{even}, k>0, \\ 0, & \text{if } k=\text{odd}. \end{cases}$$

Integration costs $O(n)$ operations.

Differentiation:

$$f'(x) \approx p_n'(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k T_k'(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} d_k T_k(x)$$

find the d_k 's by writing $T_k'(x)$ as a Chebyshev series.

Calculating d_k 's from c_k 's costs $O(n)$ operations.

Recap: let $f: [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be Lipschitz cont.

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k T_k(x)$$

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INTERPOLANT: $p_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k T_k(x)$

c_k 's fast to compute,
direct to analyze directly.

PROJECTION: $f_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k T_k(x)$

a_k 's slow to compute,
easier to analyze.

We related c_k 's to a_k 's by aliasing.

Moreover, for any cont. func.
$$\max_{x \in [-1, 1]} |f(x) - p_n(x)| \leq \left(2 + \frac{2}{\pi} \log(n+1)\right) \max_{x \in [-1, 1]} |f(x) - \overset{\text{best}}{p}_n(x)|$$

Best poly.
you could
select.

CONCLUSION:

In practice and in theory, $p_n(x)$ rules!

Weierstrass approximation theorem

Thm 6.1: Given $f: [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ continuous and $\varepsilon > 0$,
there exists a polynomial p such that $\|f - p\|_{\infty} < \varepsilon$. 1885.

Here, $\|f\|_{\infty} = \max_{x \in [-1, 1]} |f(x)|$.

(Aside: There is a famous theorem of Faber that says any
interpolation scheme can fail to converge.)

Weierstrass' proof (1885): "smooth f and the approximate"

Three steps:

- ① Extend f to $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous with compact support.
- ② Convolve F with a sufficiently narrow Gaussian to get an entire G with $\|F - G\|_\infty < \epsilon/2$.
(i.e. F is initial data for $\partial F / \partial t = \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2}$.)
- ③ Define $p =$ Taylor expansion of G with $\|p - G\|_\infty < \epsilon/2$.

Fejer's proof (1900)

"Cesaro means": $f(x) \stackrel{!}{=} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k T_k(x)$ does n't necessarily make sense because f only continuous.

But, $S_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$ for each $x \in [-1, 1]$ if

$$S_n(x) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n f_k(x), \quad f_k(x) = \sum_{j=0}^k a_j T_j(x).$$

"Cesaro means are very popular (an analysis trick) to remove annoying pointwise convergence issues with approximants."

For about 80 years, researchers focused on schemes other than interpolation because interpolants ~~were~~ did not converge to EVERY continuous function.

Convergence of Chebyshev series

The general message: [Jackson-type theorem.]

"The smoother your function, the faster Chebyshev series converges."

- f has k derivatives (+ a little bit) $\Rightarrow |a_n| = O(n^{-k})$
- f is analytic $\Rightarrow |a_n| = O(\rho^{-n})$

Variation of functions:

$$V(f) = \sup_{\substack{-1 \leq x_1 < \dots < x_m \leq 1 \\ \text{for any } m}} \sum_{i=1}^m |f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)| = \int_{-1}^1 |f'(x)| dx$$

(Distributional sense.)

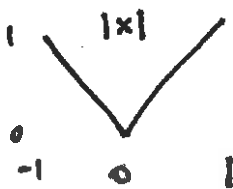
Ex.

$$f(x) = \operatorname{sgn}(x)$$



$$V(f) = 2$$

$$f(x) = |x|$$



$$V(f) = 2$$

$$f(x) = |x|^3$$



$$V(f) = 2$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin(100x)}{1+x^2}$$

$$V(f) \approx 100$$

Assumption for Thms 7.1 & 7.2.

There is an integer $\nu \geq 0$ such that $f, f', \dots, f^{(\nu-1)}$ are continuous and $f^{(\nu)}$ has variation $V < \infty$.

Thm 7.1:

$$|a_k| \leq \frac{2V}{\pi(k-\nu)^{\nu+1}}, \quad k \geq \nu+1.$$

Thm 7.2: If $\nu \geq 1$, then

$$\|f - f_n\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{2V}{\pi \nu (n-\nu)^{\nu}}, \quad \|f - p_n\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{4V}{\pi \nu (n-\nu)^{\nu}}, \quad n > \nu$$

"A ν th derivative of bounded variation $\Rightarrow \|f - p_n\|_{\infty} = O(n^{-\nu})$ ".

Convergence for analytic functions

We say that $f: [-1, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is analytic if f has a Taylor series about s that converges to f in a neighborhood of s .

