

# Lecture 8

## Chebyshev collocation method for differential equations

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## Two point boundary value problem Time independent – linear/non-linear

- Time independent boundary value problem in a general form

$$\varepsilon u_{xx}(x) + p(x)u_x(x) + q(x)u(x) = f(x,u), \quad -1 \leq x \leq 1$$

$\varepsilon > 0$  is a fixed parameter and  $p(x)$ ,  $q(x)$  and  $f(x)$  are given functions

- Boundary conditions on **general (mixed)** form:

$$\alpha_- u(-1) + \beta_- u_x(-1) = g_-$$

$$\alpha_+ u(1) + \beta_+ u_x(1) = g_+$$

- **Dirichlet** boundary conditions:  $u(-1) = g_- \quad u(1) = g_+$
- **Neumann** boundary conditions:  $u_x(-1) = g_- \quad u_x(1) = g_+$

The coefficients  $\alpha_{\pm}$   $\beta_{\pm}$   $g_{\pm}$  are known

# Time dependent problems - linear/non-linear

- Heat equation

$u_t - \varepsilon u_{xx} = 0$  with boundary conditions given

on  $u(-1,t) = g_-$  and  $u(1,t) = g_+$  and initial condition  $u(x,0) = f(x)$

- Linear wave equation

$u_t + u_x = 0$  boundary conditions given

on  $u(-1,t) = g_-$  and  $u_x(1,t) = g_+$  and initial condition  $u(x,0) = f(x)$

- Burgers equation

$u_t + uu_x - \varepsilon u_{xx} = 0$  with boundary conditions given

on  $u(-1,t) = g_-$  and  $u(1,t) = g_+$  and initial condition  $u(x,0) = f(x)$

# Review on the Chebyshev transform

- A function  $u(x)$  can be expanded in Chebyshev series

$$u(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \hat{u}_k T_k(x) \quad \hat{u}_k = \frac{2}{\pi c_k} \int_{-1}^1 u(x) T_k(x) \omega(x) dx$$

$$\omega(x) = (1 - x^2)^{-1/2} \quad \text{and } c_k = 2 \text{ for } k = 0 \text{ and } c_k = 1 \text{ for } k \geq 1$$

- The Chebyshev polynomials are given by  $T_k(x) = \cos(k \cos^{-1}(x))$
- In the **discrete Chebyshev-Gauss-Lobatto** case:

$$x_j = \cos \frac{\pi j}{N}, j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_j = \frac{\pi}{2 \tilde{c}_k} \quad \text{where}$$

$$\tilde{c}_k = 2 \text{ for } j = 0, N \text{ and } \tilde{c}_k = 1 \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$$

- The discrete Chebyshev coefficients are given by

$$\tilde{u}_k = \frac{2}{\tilde{c}_k N} \sum_{j=0}^N \frac{1}{\tilde{c}_j} u(x_j) \cos\left(\frac{\pi k j}{N}\right) = \frac{2}{\tilde{c}_k N} \sum_{j=0}^N \frac{1}{\tilde{c}_j} u(x_j) \Re\left(e^{i \frac{k j \pi}{N}}\right), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

# Review on the Chebyshev transform, cont.

- A function  $u(x)$  can be expanded in discrete Chebyshev series

$$u(x_j) = \sum_{k=0}^N \tilde{u}_k T_k(x_j), \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

- Chebyshev interpolant  $I_N u = \sum_{k=0}^N \tilde{u}_k T_k(x) \quad (1)$

- Or in terms of Chebyshev lagrangian polynomials  $I_N u = \sum_{j=0}^N u(x_j) \Upsilon_j(x) \quad (2)$

$$\Upsilon_j(x) = \frac{(-1)^{j+1} (1-x^2) T'_N(x)}{\tilde{c}_j N^2 (x-x_j)}$$

- Note that  $I_N u(x_j) = u(x_j)$  and that  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2)$

# Review on the Chebyshev transform - derivatives

- Derivative in transform (polynomial) space (discrete)

$$\left(I_N u(x_j)\right)' := \left(D_N u\right)_j = \sum_{k=0}^N \tilde{u}_k^{(1)} T_k(x_j)$$

$$\left(I_N u(x_j)\right)'' := \left(D_N^2 u\right)_j = \sum_{k=0}^N \tilde{u}_k^{(2)} T_k(x_j)$$

- The coefficients can be found by a recursive relation

$$c_k \tilde{u}_k^{(1)} = \tilde{u}_{k+2}^{(1)} + 2(k+1)\tilde{u}_{k+1}, \quad k = N-1, N-2, \dots, 0$$

Typo!!

$$c_k \tilde{u}_k^{(2)} = \tilde{u}_{k+2}^{(2)} + 2(k+1)\tilde{u}_{k+1}^{(1)} \quad k = N-1, N-2, \dots, 0$$

$$\tilde{u}_{N+1}^{(1)} = \tilde{u}_N^{(1)} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{u}_{N+1}^{(2)} = \tilde{u}_N^{(2)} = 0$$

- Cost of  $O(N \log N)$  if FFT is used

# Review on the Chebyshev transform - derivatives

- Derivative in "physical" space

$$(D_N u)_j = \sum_{l=0}^N u(x_l) Y'_l(x_j) = \sum_{l=0}^N D_{jl} u(x_l)$$

- $D_{jl}$  are the entries in the Chebyshev derivative matrix,  $\mathbf{D}$
- The matrix entries for the second order derivative matrix,  $\mathbf{D}^2$ , are given by  $(\mathbf{D}\mathbf{D})_{jl}$  where  $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}$  is a matrix-multiplication
- The Chebyshev derivative matrix at quadrature points is given by

$$D_{jl} = \begin{cases} \frac{\tilde{c}_j (-1)^{j+l}}{\tilde{c}_l (x_j - x_l)} & l \neq j \\ -\frac{x_l}{2(1-x_l^2)} & 1 \leq l = j \leq N-1 \end{cases} \quad D_{jl} = \begin{cases} \frac{2N^2+1}{6} & l = j = 0 \\ -\frac{2N^2+1}{6} & l = j = N \end{cases}$$

- The matrix approach costs  $O(N^2)$

# Example of a Dirichlet problem

- We wish to solve, by a Chebyshev collocation method,

$$u_{xx} + xu_x - u = \underbrace{(24 + 5x^2)e^{5x} + (2 + 2x^2)\cos(x^2) - (4x^2 + 1)\sin(x^2)}_{f(x)},$$

$$\text{on } -1 \leq x \leq 1 \quad (1)$$

- With boundary conditions

$$u(-1) = e^{-5} + \sin(1) = g_- \quad \text{and} \quad u(1) = e^5 + \sin(1) = g_+$$

- Let  $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N)^T$  where  $x_j = \cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{N}\right)$ ,  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$

are the Chebyshev-Gauss-Lobatto points

- Let  $\mathbf{f} = (f(x_0), f(x_1), \dots, f(x_N))^T$

- Let  $\mathbf{u} = (g_+, u(x_1), u(x_2), \dots, u(x_{N-1}), g_-)^T$  and

$\mathbf{u}_M = (u(x_1), u(x_2), \dots, u(x_{N-1}))^T$  be the vector of unknowns to be determined

- We will work with the Chebyshev derivative matrices  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{D}^2$
- The entries in  $\mathbf{D}$  are given by  $D_{ij}$ ,  $0 \leq i, j \leq N$  and  $\mathbf{D}^2 = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{D}$



## Example of a Dirichlet problem, cont.

- The approximation to (1) is given by

$$\mathbf{D}_M^2 \mathbf{u}_M - \mathbf{x}_M \otimes \mathbf{D}_M \mathbf{u}_M - \mathbf{u}_M = \mathbf{F}$$

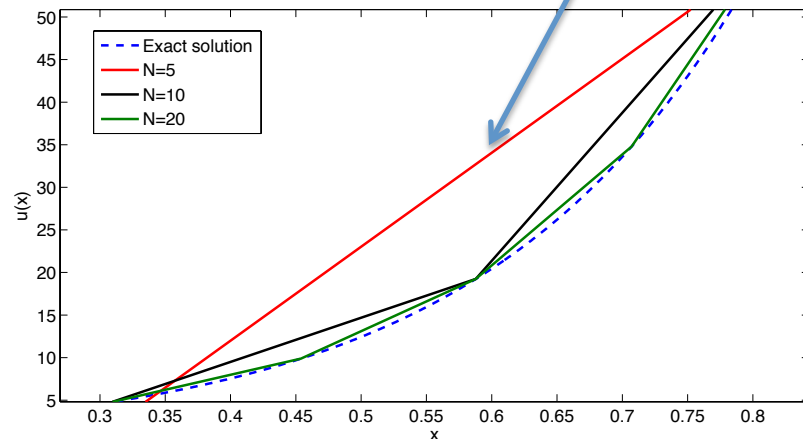
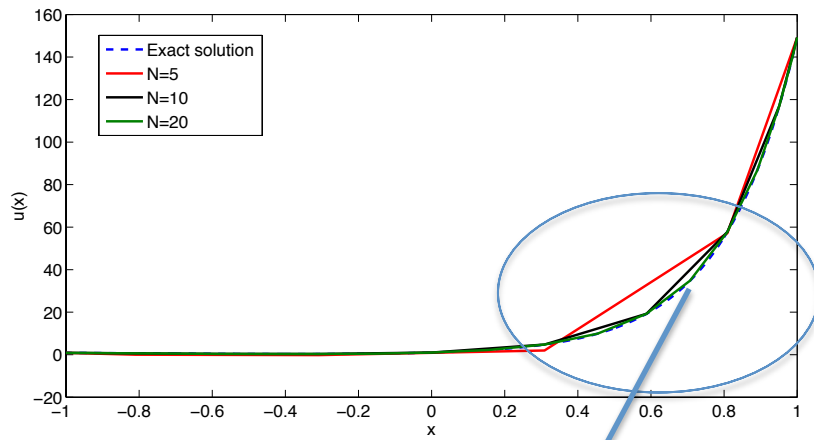
- $\mathbf{x}_M = \mathbf{x}(1:N-1)$ ,  $\mathbf{D}_M = \mathbf{D}(1:N-1,1:N-1)$ ,  $\mathbf{D}_M^2 = \mathbf{D}^2(1:N-1,1:N-1)$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{f}(1:N-1) - \left[ \mathbf{D}^2(1:N-1,0) + \mathbf{x}_M \otimes \mathbf{D}(1:N-1,0) \right] g_+ - \\ \left[ \mathbf{D}^2(1:N-1,N) + \mathbf{x}_M \otimes \mathbf{D}(1:N-1,N) \right] g_-$$

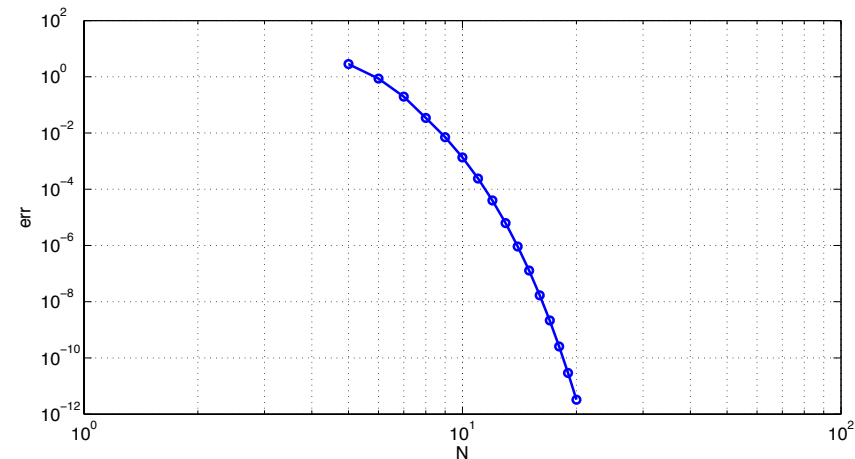
- The approximation can also be written on the form  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{u}_M = \mathbf{F}$   
where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a matrix of size  $(N-1) \times (N-1)$
- The matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is given by  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{D}^2 + \Lambda \mathbf{D} - \mathbf{I}$   
where  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix with the values of  $\mathbf{x}_M$  on the diagonal and  $\mathbf{I}$  is the identity matrix
- The approximate solution is given as the solution to the linear system of equations  $\mathbf{u}_M = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{F}$

# Solution

- The exact solution is  $u(x) = e^{5x} + \sin(x^2)$
- The error is defined by  $err = \max_{1 \leq j \leq N-1} |u_j - u(x_j)|$



## Convergence



- The error obtained by a second order finite difference approximation with  $N = 512$  is approximately the same as with  $N = 10$  in the spectral method

# Code example - MATLAB

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N=10
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[D, x] = cheb(N);
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D2=D*D;
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Chebyshev derivation matrix, D

Chebyshev derivation matrix,  $D^2$

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DM=D(2:N,2:N);
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D2M=D2(2:N,2:N);
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L=diag(x(2:N),0);
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I=diag(ones(N-1,1),0);
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For the inner points only

Note that the numbering of the elements in a vector/matrix is from 1 to N+1 (not 0 to N)

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A=D2M+L*DM-I;
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A as in  $Au=F$

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f=(24+5*x).*exp(5*x)+(2+2*x.^2).*cos(x.^2);
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f=f-(4*x.^2+1).*sin(x.^2);
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gminus=exp(-5)+sin(1);
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gplus=exp(5)+sin(1);
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F=f(2:N)-(D2(2:N,1)+x(2:N).*D(2:N,1))*gplus
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F=F-(D2(2:N,end)+x(2:N).*D(2:N,end))*gminus;
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sol=A\F
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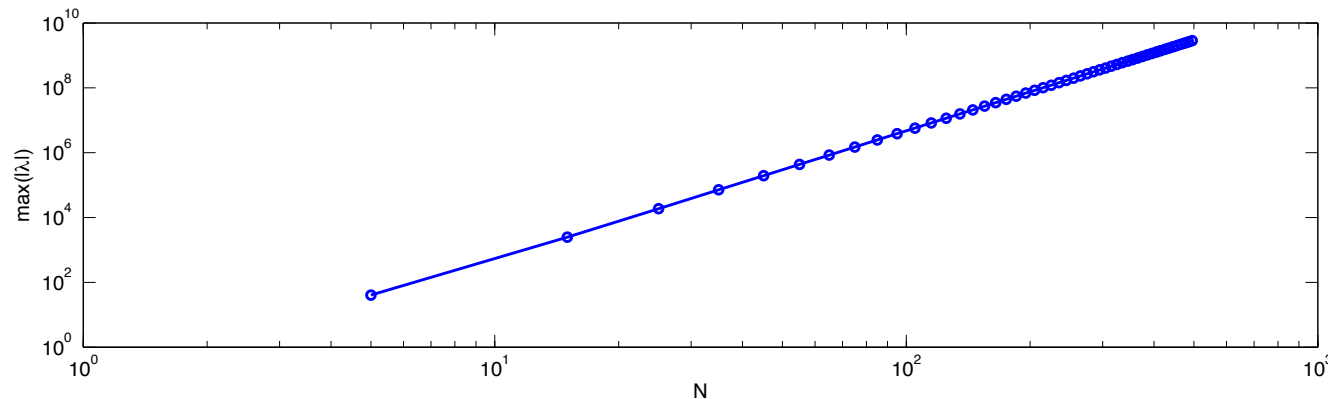
$u=A^{-1}F$

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u=[gplus;sol;gminus];
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Add the known boundary conditions

# Remarks

- The collocation method will lead to a full and ill-conditioned linear system
- Gaussian elimination to solve  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{F}$  is only feasible for problems with a small number of unknowns (one-dimensional problems)
- For multi-dimensional problems an iterative method together with an appropriate pre-conditioner should be used
- We will get back to this when we speak about multi-dimensional problems



Eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{A}$  are growing as  $N^4$