

Agenda

- Spectral Graph for node embeddings
 - Approximation theory and spectral graph theory
 - Chebyshev approximation and experiments
 - Chebyshev fundamentals([link](#))
 - Chebyshev implementation (GCN v.s. GCN_cheby)
 - Parameters study by experiments
 - Other option: Lanczos methods

Chebyshev methods

- The discussion here will mainly focus on two recent papers:
 - Defferrard et al. (**NIPS 2016**), Convolutional Neural Networks on Graphs with Fast Localized Spectral Filtering
 - **Contribution: First introduced Spectral Graph theory and Chebyshev approximation by CNN, GCN_cheby**
 - **10k nodes will burst the memory**
 - Kipf & Welling (**ICLR 2017**), Semi-Supervised Classification with Graph Convolutional Networks
 - **Contribution: Effectiveness and Efficiency Improvement GCN**
- Experimental results recap:
 - random walk + word2vec v.s. spectral graph (always better)
 - GCN(always better) v.s. GCN_cheby (**slow, and often crashes**)

What is Chebyshev Poly.

Definition 1.1 The Chebyshev polynomial $T_n(x)$ of the first kind is a polynomial in x of degree n , defined by the relation

$$T_n(x) = \cos n\theta \quad \text{when } x = \cos \theta.$$

Definition 1.2 The Chebyshev polynomial $U_n(x)$ of the second kind is a polynomial of degree n in x defined by

$$U_n(x) = \sin(n+1)\theta / \sin \theta \quad \text{when } x = \cos \theta. \quad (1.4)$$

Definition 1.3 The Chebyshev polynomials $V_n(x)$ and $W_n(x)$ of the third and fourth kinds are polynomials of degree n in x defined respectively by

$$V_n(x) = \cos(n + \frac{1}{2})\theta / \cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \quad (1.8)$$

and

$$W_n(x) = \sin(n + \frac{1}{2})\theta / \sin \frac{1}{2}\theta, \quad (1.9)$$

when $x = \cos \theta$.

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$$\begin{aligned} \cos 0\theta &= 1, & \cos 1\theta &= \cos \theta, & \cos 2\theta &= 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1, \\ \cos 3\theta &= 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta, & \cos 4\theta &= 8 \cos^4 \theta - 8 \cos^2 \theta + 1, & \dots \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} T_0(x) &= 1, & T_1(x) &= x, & T_2(x) &= 2x^2 - 1, \\ T_3(x) &= 4x^3 - 3x, & T_4(x) &= 8x^4 - 8x^2 + 1, & \dots \end{aligned}$$

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$$T_n(x) = 2xT_{n-1}(x) - T_{n-2}(x), \quad n = 2, 3, \dots, \quad \langle T_i, T_j \rangle = 0 \quad (i \neq j).$$

Application: minimax approximation of functions by polynomials.

Good

$$\|f - f^*\| \leq \epsilon \longrightarrow$$

Theorem 3.2 (Weierstrass's theorem) For any given f in $C[a, b]$ and for any given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a polynomial p_n for some sufficiently large n such that $\|f - p_n\|_\infty < \epsilon$.

Best

$$\|f - f_B^*\| \leq \|f - f^*\| \longrightarrow$$

Theorem 3.3 For any given p ($1 \leq p \leq \infty$), there exists a unique best polynomial approximation p_n to any function $f \in \mathcal{L}_p[a, b]$ in the \mathcal{L}_p norm, where $w(x)$ is taken to be unity in the case $p \rightarrow \infty$.

Near-Best

$$\|f - f_N^*\| \leq (1 + \rho) \|f - f_B^*\|$$

How to use Chebyshev Poly.

Orthogonality(think about Fourier series)

Definition 4.1 Two functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ in $\mathcal{L}_2[a, b]$ are said to be orthogonal on the interval $[a, b]$ with respect to a given continuous and non-negative weight function $w(x)$ if

$$\int_a^b w(x)f(x)g(x) dx = 0. \quad (4.1)$$

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_a^b w(x)f(x)g(x) dx.$$

For the 1st kind of Chebyshev Poly.

$$w(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle T_i, T_j \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{T_i(x)T_j(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx \\ &= \int_0^\pi \cos i\theta \cos j\theta d\theta \end{aligned}$$

Best approx. property

Corollary 4.1B The best \mathcal{L}_2 polynomial approximation p_n^B of degree n to f may be expressed in terms of the orthogonal polynomial family $\{\phi_i\}$ in the form

$$p_n^B = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i \phi_i,$$

where

$$c_i = \frac{\langle f, \phi_i \rangle}{\langle \phi_i, \phi_i \rangle}.$$

Example

EXAMPLE 4.1: To illustrate Corollary 4.1B, suppose that we wish to determine the best \mathcal{L}_2 linear approximation p_1^B to $f(x) = 1 - x^2$ on $[-1, 1]$, with respect to the weight $w(x) = (1 - x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$. In this case $\{T_i(x)\}$ is the appropriate orthogonal system and hence

$$p_1^B = c_0 T_0(x) + c_1 T_1(x)$$

where, by (4.17),

$$\begin{aligned} c_0 &= \frac{\langle f, T_0 \rangle}{\langle T_0, T_0 \rangle} = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1 - x^2) dx}{\pi}, \\ c_1 &= \frac{\langle f, T_1 \rangle}{\langle T_1, T_1 \rangle} = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1 - x^2)x dx}{\frac{1}{2}\pi}. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $x = \cos \theta$,

$$\begin{aligned} c_0 &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin^2 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi (1 - \cos 2\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2}, \\ c_1 &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta = \frac{2}{\pi} \left[\frac{1}{3} \sin^3 \theta \right]_0^\pi = 0 \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$p_1^B = \frac{1}{2} T_0(x) + 0 T_1(x) = \frac{1}{2},$$

so that the linear approximation reduces to a constant in this case.

How to use Chebyshev Poly.

Best approx. of Chebyshev Poly.

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i \phi_i(x)$$

$$c_i = \langle f, \phi_i \rangle / \langle \phi_i, \phi_i \rangle$$

$$\phi_i(x) = T_i(x), U_i(x), V_i(x) \text{ or } W_i(x)$$

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i T_i(x) = \frac{1}{2} c_0 T_0(x) + c_1 T_1(x) + c_2 T_2(x) + \dots$$

where

$$c_i = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} f(x) T_i(x) dx,$$

Theorem 3.1. Chebyshev series. *If f is Lipschitz continuous on $[-1, 1]$, it has a unique representation as a Chebyshev series,*

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k T_k(x), \quad (3.11)$$

which is absolutely and uniformly convergent, and the coefficients are given for $k \geq 1$ by the formula

$$a_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x) T_k(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx, \quad (3.12)$$

and for $k = 0$ by the same formula with the factor $2/\pi$ changed to $1/\pi$.

Error bound

Theorem 5.14 *If the function $f(x)$ has $m + 1$ continuous derivatives on $[-1, 1]$, then $|f(x) - S_n^T f(x)| = O(n^{-m})$ for all x in $[-1, 1]$.*

Example

EXAMPLE 5.1: Expansion of $f(x) = \sqrt{1-x^2}$.

Here

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi}{2} c_i &= \int_{-1}^1 T_i(x) dx = \int_0^\pi \cos i\theta \sin \theta d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi [\sin(i+1)\theta - \sin(i-1)\theta] d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{\cos(i-1)\theta}{i-1} - \frac{\cos(i+1)\theta}{i+1} \right]_0^\pi \quad (i \geq 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(-1)^{i-1} - 1}{i-1} - \frac{(-1)^{i+1} - 1}{i+1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$c_{2k} = -\frac{4}{\pi(4k^2-1)}, \quad c_{2k-1} = 0 \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Also

$$c_0 = 4/\pi.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{1-x^2} &\sim -\frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{T_{2k}(x)}{4k^2-1} \\ &= \frac{4}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} T_0(x) - \frac{1}{3} T_2(x) - \frac{1}{15} T_4(x) - \frac{1}{35} T_6(x) - \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

Chebyshev methods

- Defferrard et al. (**NIPS 2016**), Convolutional Neural Networks on Graphs with Fast Localized Spectral Filtering, [GCN_cheby](#)
- INPUT:
 - s : raw nodes features
 - L : graph Laplacian
- OUTPUT:
 - s' : new embeddings of s

Chebyshev methods

2.2 Graph filters

In the classic setting, applying a filter to a signal is performed by convolution, which corresponds to point-wise multiplication in the spectral domain. Similarly, filtering a graph-signal is performed by multiplication with a filter in the graph Fourier domain. A graph filter is defined by a continuous function $g : \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. To obtain its discrete coefficients, this function is evaluated at each eigenvalue: $g(\lambda_\ell)$ for $\ell = 0, \dots, N - 1$. The filtering operation then corresponds to $\hat{s}'(\ell) = g(\lambda_\ell) \cdot \hat{s}(\ell)$, where s' is the filtered signal. Equivalently, using matrix notation, we have

$s \in \mathbb{R}^n$ assigning a value to each vertex

$U = [u_0, \dots, u_{n-1}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$$s' = U g(\Lambda) U^* s \quad (1)$$

graph Fourier transform $\hat{s} = U^* s \in \mathbb{R}^n$

inverse $s = U \hat{s}$

where $g(\Lambda)$ is the diagonal matrix containing the coefficients $g(\lambda_\ell)$ on the diagonal. In terms of matrix functions [11], the relation (1) can be compactly expressed as $s' = g(\mathcal{L})s$ with $g(\mathcal{L}) := U g(\Lambda) U^*$.

$$g_\theta(\Lambda) = \text{diag}(\theta) \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$g_\theta(\Lambda) \hat{s} = \theta \odot \hat{s}$$

Chebyshev methods

$$g_{\theta'} \star s = s' = U g(\Lambda) U^* s, \quad \mathcal{O}(N^3)$$

$$\Rightarrow g_{\theta'}(\Lambda) \approx \sum_{k=0}^K \theta'_k T_k(\tilde{\Lambda})$$

$$(U \Lambda U^\top)^k = U \Lambda^k U^\top$$

$$\Rightarrow g_{\theta'} \star s \approx \sum_{k=0}^K \theta'_k T_k(\tilde{L})$$

$$\Rightarrow s' = U g(\Lambda) U^* s = (a_0 I + a_1 \mathcal{L} + \cdots + a_M \mathcal{L}^M) s$$

Chebyshev methods

- **GCN_cheby**

- calculate normalized graph Laplacian $L = I_N - D^{-\frac{1}{2}} A D^{-\frac{1}{2}} = U \Lambda U^\top$
- calculate eigenvalues of normalized graph Laplacian (time consuming)
- shift the normalized Laplacian to $[-1,1]$ $\tilde{L} = \frac{2}{\lambda_{\max}} L - I_N$
- apply Chebyshev polynomial $g_{\theta'} \star x \approx \sum_{k=0}^K \theta'_k T_k(\tilde{L}) x$

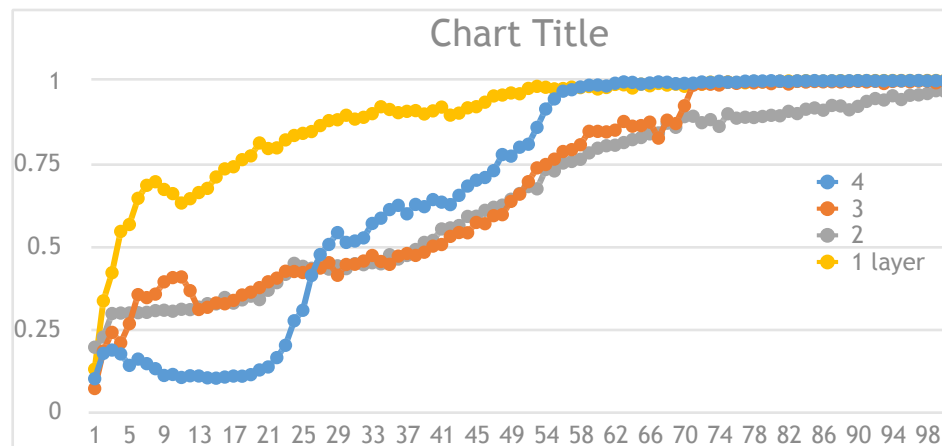
- **GCN**

- calculate normalized graph Laplacian $L = I_N - D^{-\frac{1}{2}} A D^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
 - assume $\lambda_{\max}=2$, shift the L $\tilde{L} = L - I_N$
 - apply Chebyshev polynomial $g_{\theta'} \star x \approx \theta'_0 x + \theta'_1 (L - I_N) x = \theta'_0 x - \theta'_1 D^{-\frac{1}{2}} A D^{-\frac{1}{2}} x$
 - $\theta = \theta'_0 = -\theta'_1$ $g_{\theta} \star x \approx \theta \left(I_N + D^{-\frac{1}{2}} A D^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) x$
- renormalization** trick: $I_N + D^{-\frac{1}{2}} A D^{-\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow \tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{A} \tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
 $\tilde{A} = A + I_N$ and $\tilde{D}_{ii} = \sum_j \tilde{A}_{ij}$ $g_{\theta} \star x \approx \theta \left(\tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{A} \tilde{D}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) x$

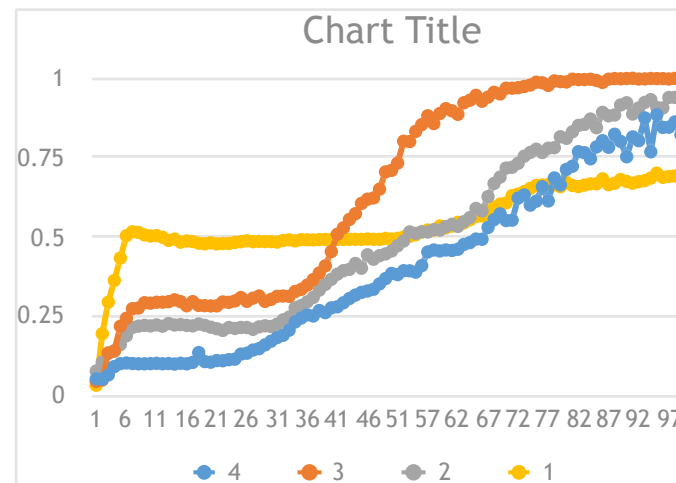
Chebyshev experiments

Performance under difference numbers of layers(GCN)

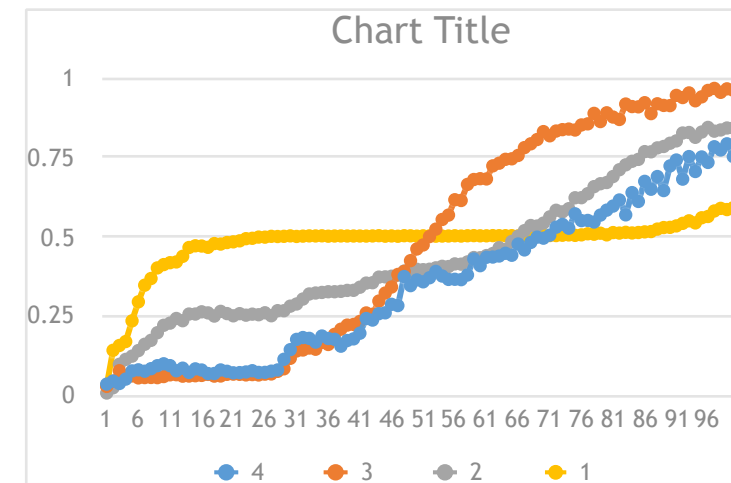
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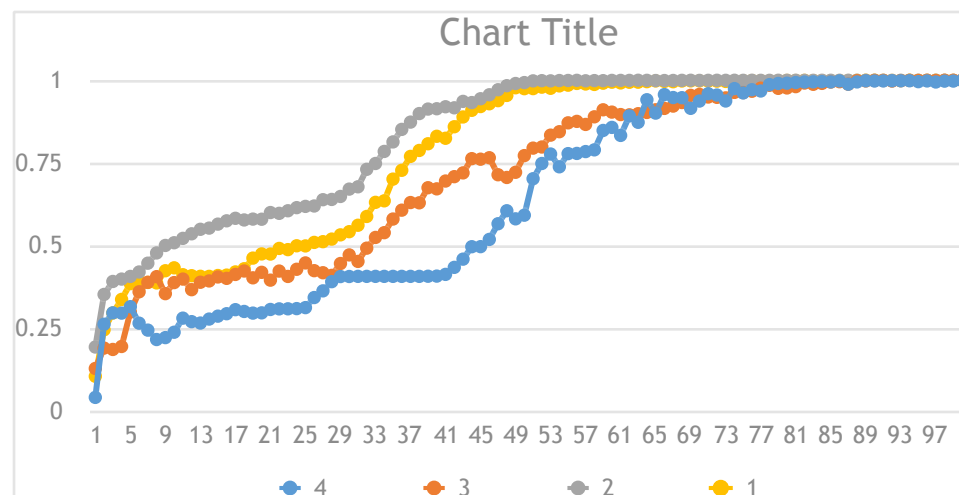
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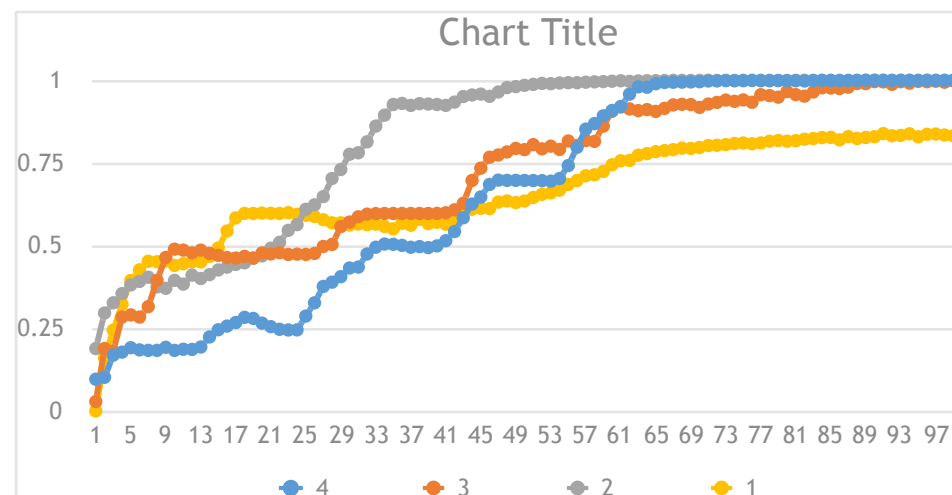
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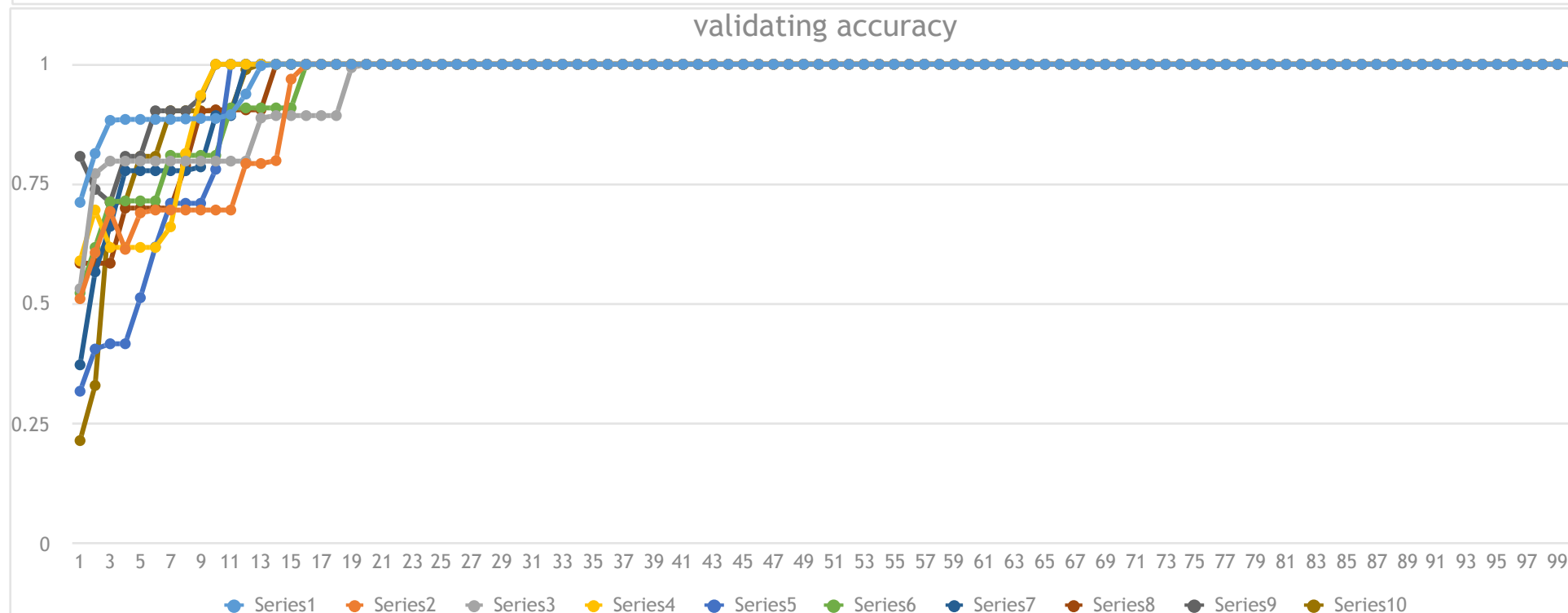
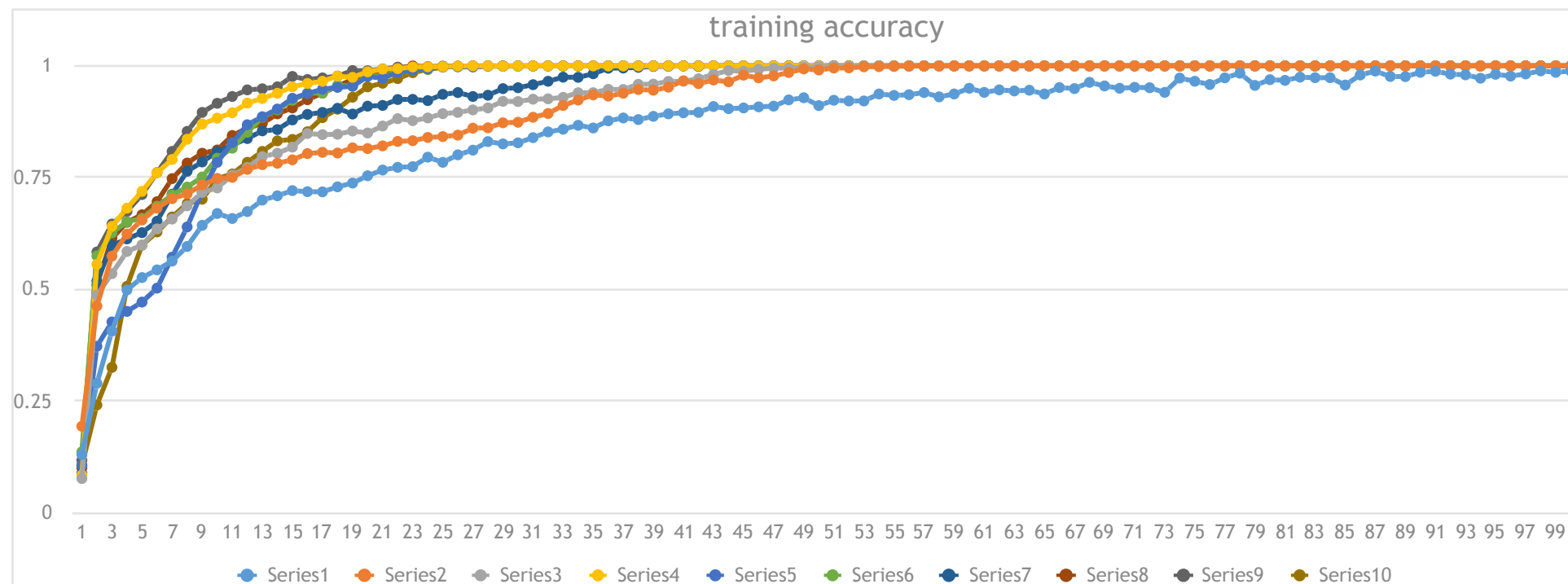
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Chebyshev experiments

Performance under difference numbers of Chebyshev orders

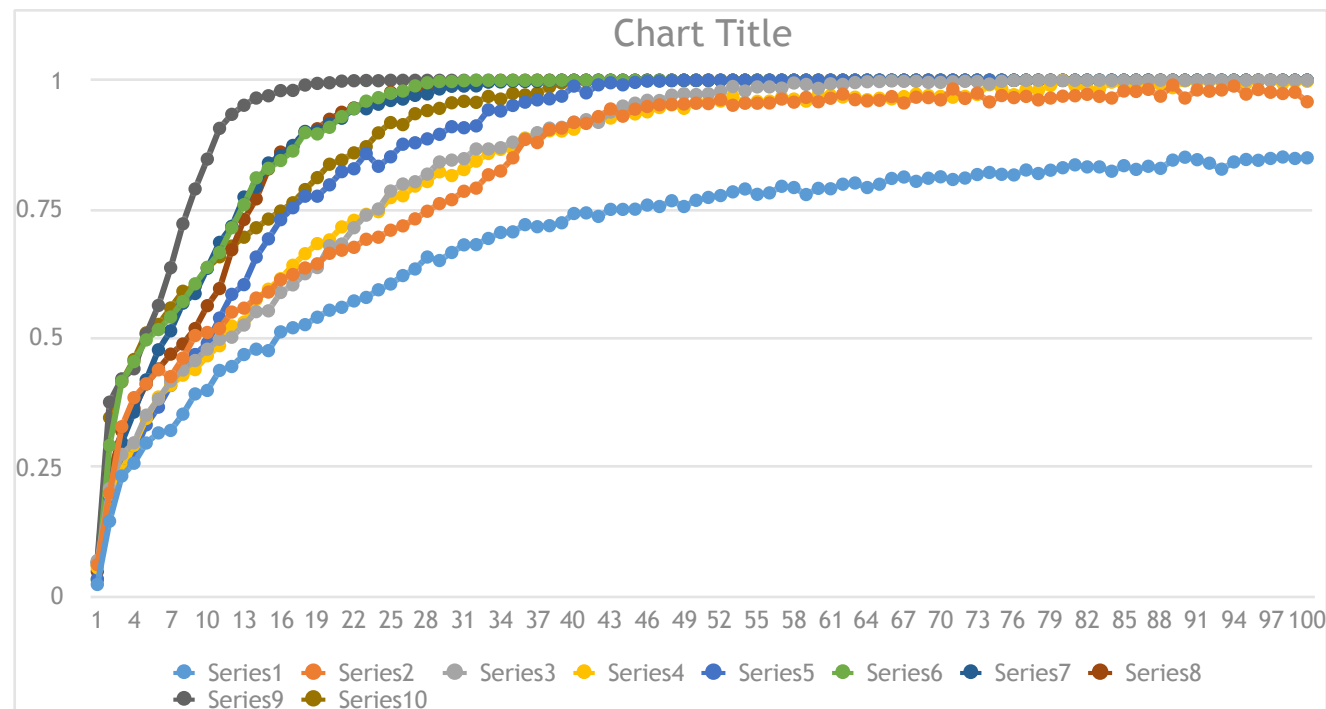
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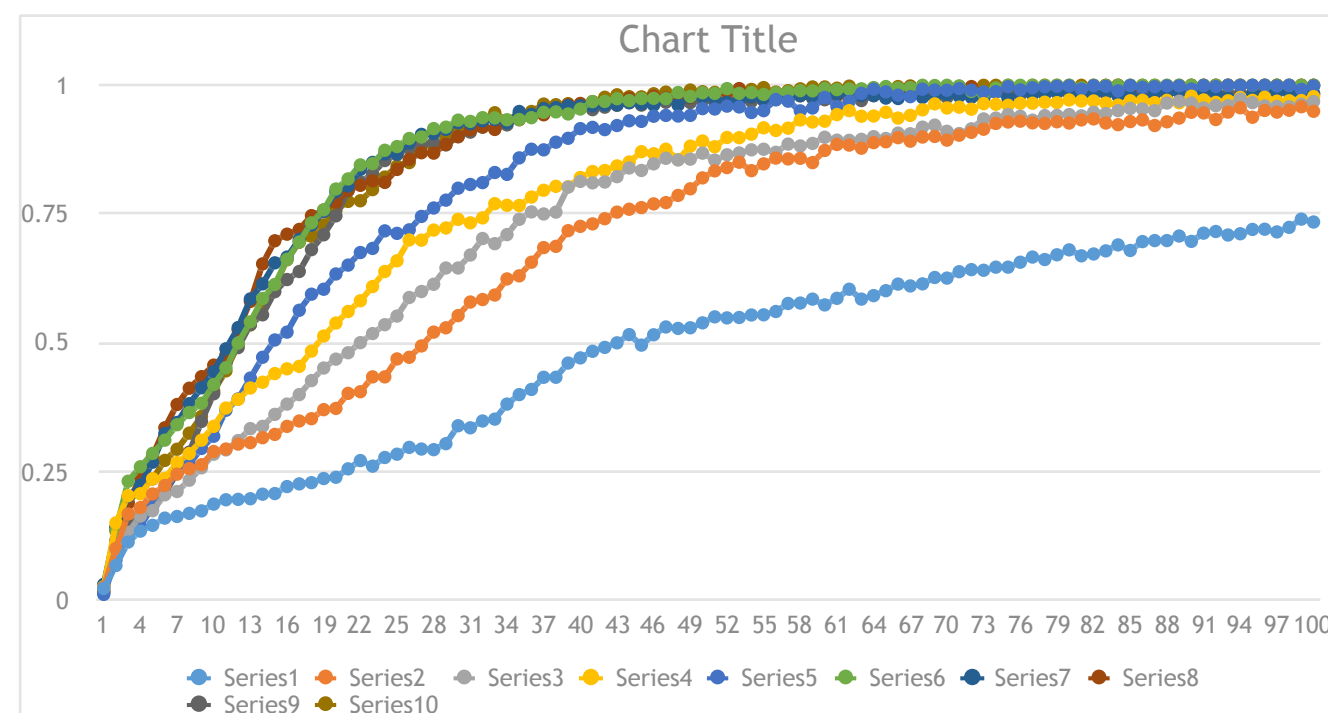
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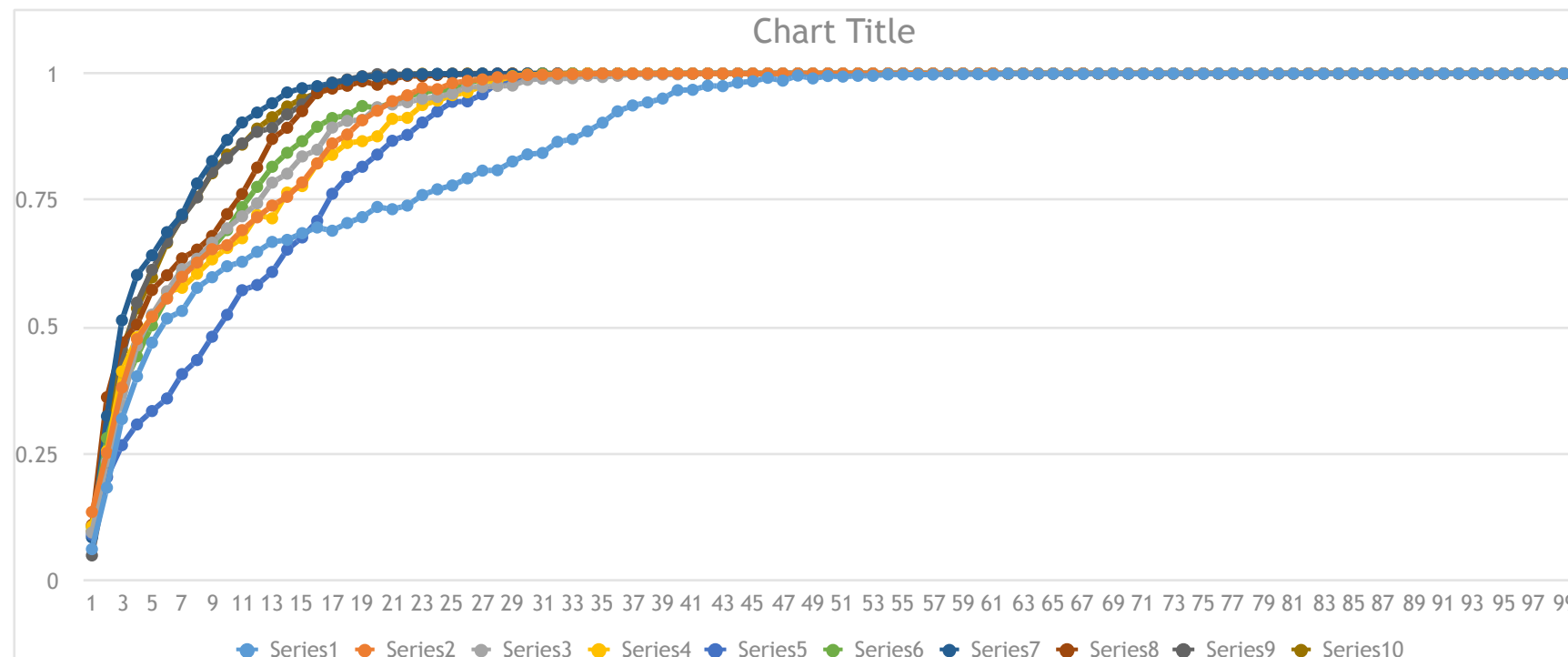
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Any option for Chebyshev?

- 2nd, 3rd and 4th Chebyshev polynomial: **Definition 1.3** The Chebyshev polynomials $V_n(x)$ and $W_n(x)$ of the third and fourth kinds are polynomials of degree n in x defined respectively by

$$V_n(x) = \cos(n + \frac{1}{2})\theta / \cos \frac{1}{2}\theta \quad (1.8)$$

Definition 1.2 The Chebyshev polynomial $U_n(x)$ of the second kind is a polynomial of degree n in x defined by

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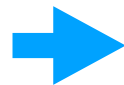
and

$$W_n(x) = \sin(n + \frac{1}{2})\theta / \sin \frac{1}{2}\theta, \quad (1.9)$$

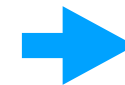
when $x = \cos \theta$.

- Fourier series equal to Chebyshev series when g is even

$$g(\theta) \sim \frac{1}{2}a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos k\theta + b_k \sin k\theta) \quad (5.41)$$



$$g(\theta) \sim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k \cos k\theta$$



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

where

$$a_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(\theta) \cos k\theta \, d\theta, \quad b_k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(\theta) \sin k\theta \, d\theta, \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots). \quad (5.42)$$

where

$$a_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} g(\theta) \cos k\theta \, d\theta.$$

where

$$a_k = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 (1-x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} f(x) T_k(x) \, dx.$$

- Lanczos method (mentioned in **GCN_cheby**):

- Complexity comparison with GCN: $\mathcal{O}(K|\mathcal{E}|)$ v.s. $\mathcal{O}(M \cdot |\mathcal{E}|)$

- Lanczos approximation can be expected to perform significantly better because of its ability to adapt to the eigenvalues of L . (This phenomenon is well-understood for Krylov subspace approximations to solutions of linear system.)

Given a continuous function $g : [0, \lambda_{\max}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and a vector s , the following approximation to $g(\mathcal{L})s$ was proposed by Gallopoulos and Saad in [6]:

$$g(\mathcal{L})s \approx \|s\|_2 V_M g(H_M) e_1 := g_M, \quad (4)$$