

**COURSEWORK 2**

1. By definition (from lecture notes),

$$\begin{aligned} T_k(x) &= \cos(k \cos^{-1}(x)) \\ &= \cos(kx), \cos(\theta) = x \end{aligned}$$

Also note that:

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(\alpha \pm \beta) &= \cos(\alpha) \cos(\beta) \mp \sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta) \\ \implies \begin{cases} \cos(k\theta + \theta) = \cos(k\theta) \cos(\theta) - \sin(k\theta) \sin(\theta) \\ \cos(k\theta - \theta) = \cos(k\theta) \cos(\theta) + \sin(k\theta) \sin(\theta) \end{cases} \\ \implies \cos(k\theta + \theta) + \cos(k\theta - \theta) &= 2 \cos(k\theta) \cos(\theta) \\ \implies T_{k+1}(x) + T_{k-1}(x) &= 2T_k(x)x \\ \implies T_{k+1}(x) &= 2T_k(x)x - T_{k-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

We then proved in lectures:

$$T'_{k+1}(x) = 2(k+1)T_k(x) + \frac{k+1}{k-1}T'_{k-1}(x)$$

Hence, let's compute its  $(p-1)^{th}$  derivatives, noting the coefficients do not depend on  $x$  (so they don't change):

$$T^{(p)}_{k+1}(x) = 2(k+1)T^{(p-1)}_k(x) + \frac{k+1}{k-1}T^{(p)}_{k-1}(x)$$

2. Let's use our above recurrence relation in order to solve the boundary value problem of the following Airy equation:

$$y''(x) - xy(x) = 0, -40 \leq x \leq 40$$

With conditions as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} y(40) &= 0 \\ y'(-40) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Let's use the collocation technique that we studied in lectures in order to solve this problem, we have the following estimation using Chebyshev polynomials:

$$\begin{aligned} y(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T_n(x) \\ y'(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T'_n(x) \\ y''(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n T''_n(x) \end{aligned}$$

We then replace  $\infty$  by  $N$  and eliminate  $x$ -dependence by choosing a sequence of  $N+1$  unknowns in  $[-1,1]$ , here corresponding to our Gauss-Lobatto points  $x_j = \cos(\frac{j\pi}{N})$ ,  $j = 0, \dots, N$ .

$$\implies \sum_{j=0}^N \sum_{k=0}^N a_k (T_k''(x_j) - x_j T_k(x_j)) = 0 \quad (1)$$

Regarding the range for which  $x$  is defined, we have seen in lectures that  $-1 \leq x_j = \cos(\frac{j\pi}{N}) \leq 1$ . Hence, in order to compute our boundary conditions, we need to make a substitution as follows:  $-40 \leq x \leq 40 \implies -1 \leq \frac{x}{40} \leq 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} y''(x) - xy(x) &= 0 \\ &= [x_j = \frac{x}{40}] \\ &= \frac{1}{40^2} y''(x_j) - 40x_j y(x_j) \end{aligned}$$

This is because:

$$\begin{aligned} u = \frac{x}{40} &\implies \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{40} \\ &\implies \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{40} \frac{dy}{du} \\ &\implies \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1}{40} \frac{dy}{du} \right) = \frac{1}{40} \frac{d^2y}{dx du} = \frac{1}{40} \frac{d}{du} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \frac{1}{40^2} \frac{d^2y}{du^2} \end{aligned}$$

We then have, taking into account that substitution into equation (1):

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^N \sum_{k=0}^N a_k \left( \frac{1}{40^2} T_k''(x_j) - 40x_j T_k(x_j) \right) &= 0 \\ \sum_{j=0}^N \sum_{k=0}^N a_k D_{jk} &= 0, \text{ with } D_{jk} = \frac{1}{40^2} T_k''(x_j) - 40x_j T_k(x_j) \end{aligned}$$

This matrix  $(D_{jk})_{j,k=0,1,\dots,N}$  has rows corresponding to collocation points and columns corresponding to degree of polynomial.

We then compute the matrices corresponding to the degree of differentiation of our Chebyshev:

$$\begin{aligned} T^0(x_j) &= (T_0(x_j) \quad T_1(x_j) \quad \dots \quad T_N(x_j)) \\ T^1(x_j) &= (T'_0(x_j) \quad T'_1(x_j) \quad \dots \quad T'_N(x_j)) \\ T^2(x_j) &= (T''_0(x_j) \quad T''_1(x_j) \quad \dots \quad T''_N(x_j)) \end{aligned}$$

Now, let's compute the first entries of these matrices by hand because our recurrence relation can only start when  $k=2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T_k(x_j) &= \cos(k \cos^{-1}(x_j)) \\ &= \cos\left(\frac{kj\pi}{N}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
T'_k(x_j) &= \sin(k \cos^{-1}(x_j)) \frac{k}{\sqrt{1-x_j^2}} \\
\implies T'_0(x_j) &= 0 \\
\implies T'_1(x_j) &= \frac{\sin(\frac{j\pi}{N})}{\sin(\frac{j\pi}{N})} = 1 \\
\implies T'_2(x_j) &= 2 \frac{\sin(\frac{2j\pi}{N})}{\sin(\frac{j\pi}{N})} = 4 \cos(\frac{j\pi}{N}) \\
T''_k(x_j) &= \sin(k \cos^{-1}(x_j)) \frac{kx_j}{(1-x_j^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} - \cos(k \cos^{-1}(x_j)) \frac{k^2}{1-x_j^2} \\
&= \sin(\frac{kj\pi}{N}) \frac{kx_j}{\sin^3(\frac{j\pi}{N})} - \cos(\frac{kj\pi}{N}) \frac{k^2}{\sin^2(j\pi/N)} \\
\implies T''_0(x_j) &= 0 \\
\implies T''_1(x_j) &= \frac{\sin(\frac{j\pi}{N})}{\sin(\frac{j\pi}{N})} = 1 \\
\implies T''_2(x_j) &= 4
\end{aligned}$$

The rest can be just calculated using the recurrence relation we computed in part 1; adapted as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
T'_{k+1}(x_j) &= 2(k+1)T_k(x_j) + \frac{k+1}{k-1}T'_{k-1}(x_j) \\
T''_{k+1}(x_j) &= 2(k+1)T'_k(x_j) + \frac{k+1}{k-1}T''_{k-1}(x_j)
\end{aligned}$$

Here's the whole code on Matlab with comments:

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1 % STEP 1: Compute values of collocation points x_j=[x_0, x_1, ...,
   x_n]=cos(j*pi/N)
2 % STEP 1.1: Initialize N and vector of zeros for x to fill
3 N = 200;
4 x = zeros(1, N+1);
5 % STEP 1.2: Loop to update each entry of x_j
6 for j = 1:N+1
7     x(j) = cos((j-1)*pi/N);
8 end
9
10 % STEP 2: Create matrices for the degrees of which our Chebyshev
   polynomial
11 % is evaluated
12 % STEP 2.1: T_0 is the 0th derivative of T_k(x_j)
13 T_0 = zeros(N+1,N+1);
14 for k = 1:N+1
15     for j = 1:N+1
16         T_0(j,k) = cos((k-1)*(j-1)*pi/N);
17     end
18 end

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19 % STEP 2.2: T_1 is the 1st derivative of T_k(x_j)
20 T_1 = zeros(N+1,N+1);
21 for j = 1:N+1
22     T_1(j,1) = 0;
23     T_1(j,2) = 1;
24     T_1(j,3) = 4*x(j);
25 end
26 for k = 3:N
27     for j = 1:N+1
28         T_1(j,k+1) = 2*k*T_0(j,k) + (k/(k-2)) * T_1(j,k-1);
29     end
30 end
31 % STEP 2.3: T_2 is the 2nd derivative of T_k(x_j)
32 T_2 = zeros(N+1,N+1);
33 for j = 1:N+1
34     T_2(j,1) = 0;
35     T_2(j,2) = 0;
36     T_2(j,3) = 4;
37 end
38 for k = 3:N
39     for j = 1:N+1
40         T_2(j,k+1) = 2*k*T_1(j,k) + (k/(k-2)) * T_2(j,k-1);
41     end
42 end
43
44 % STEP 3: Compute our collocation matrix D_jn (j rows: collocation
45           points, k columns: degree)
46 % STEP 3.1: Initialize matrix to fill
47 D = zeros(N+1,N+1);
48 % STEP 3.2: Loop
49 for k = 1 : N+1
50     for j = 1 : N+1
51         D(j,k) = (1/(40^2))*T_2(j,k) - 40*x(j).*T_0(j,k);
52     end
53 end
54 % STEP 4: Update values of D_jn with boundary conditions
55 % STEP 4.1: Change 1st row
56 D(1,:) = 1 ; % as acos(1)=0 =>cos(acos(1))=1=T_n(1)
57 % STEP 4.2: Update last row
58 D(N+1,:) = T_1(N+1,:) ; % as T'_n(-1)=x_N
59
60 % STEP 5: Compute our coefficients a_n st sum(a_n*D_jn)=0
61 % STEP 5.1: Create right hand side matrix for equation D_jn*a_n=b
62 b = zeros(N+1, 1);
63 % STEP 5.2: Update value in rhs matrix
64 b(N+1)=40;
65 % STEP 5.3: Solve equation
66 a = linsolve(D,b);
67
68 % STEP 6: Plot our solution
69 % STEP 6.1: Initialize our space of existence of the function
70 t = linspace(-40,40,1000);
71 y = zeros(1,1000);

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72 % STEP 6.2: Loop to compute at each point the polynomial
73 for k = 1:1000
74     sum = 0;
75     for j = 1:N+1
76         sum = sum + a(j)*cos((j-1)*acos(t/40));
77     end
78     y = sum;
79 end
80 % STEP 6.3: Give title and plot our final solution
81 plot(t,y)
82 title('Plot of our solution for y for N=200')
83 xlabel('-40<x<40')
84 ylabel('y, solution of Airy equation boundary value problem')

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Here's our solution for different values of N:



