

**MATH/CS 5466 NUMERICAL ANALYSIS**  
**Homework 2**

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Several of the problems use the *infinity form* of a function  $g \in [a, b]$ , defined by:

$$\|g\|_\infty = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |g(x)|$$

This norm defines the usual norm axiom:

- (i)  $\|g\|_\infty \geq 0$  for all  $g \in [a, b]$  and  $\|g\|_\infty = 0$  if and only if  $g(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$
- (ii)  $\|\alpha g\|_\infty = |\alpha| \|g\|_\infty$  for all  $g \in [a, b]$  and all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (iii)  $\|g + h\|_\infty \leq \|g\|_\infty + \|h\|_\infty$  for all  $g, h \in C[a, b]$ .

**Problem 1.** The construction of finite difference approximations of differential equations, developing a second order accurate approximation of the boundary value problem— $u''(x) = g(x)$  for  $x \in [0, 1]$  with  $u(0) = u(1) = 0$ .

With the uniformly space grid:

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = 1 \quad \text{with } x_j = jh \text{ for } h = 1/n.$$

1. Compute the *quartic* (degree 4) polynomial interpolant  $p_4$  to a function  $f(x)$  through the five points:  $x_{j-2}, x_{j-1}, x_j, x_{j+1}, x_{j+2}$  with the five function values  $f_{-2} \equiv f(x_{j-2}), f_{-1} \equiv f(x_{j-1}), f_0 \equiv f(x_j), f_1 \equiv f(x_{j+1}), f_2 \equiv f(x_{j+2})$ :

Base on *Lagrange Interpolation Formula*:

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n f_i l_i(x) \quad \text{with} \quad l_i(x) = \prod_{j=0, j \neq i}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$$

for  $n = 4$  over 5 given points we have:

$$\begin{aligned} p_4(x) &= f_{-2} l_{-2}(x) + f_{-1} l_{-1}(x) + f_0 l_0(x) + f_1 l_1(x) + f_2 l_2(x) \\ \text{With: } l_{-2}(x) &= \frac{(x - x_{j-1})(x - x_j)(x - x_{j+1})(x - x_{j+2})}{(x_{j-2} - x_{j-1})(x_{j-2} - x_j)(x_{j-2} - x_{j+1})(x_{j-2} - x_{j+2})} \\ &= \frac{(x - x_j + h)(x - x_j)(x - x_j - h)(x - x_j - 2h)}{(x_{j-2} - x_{j-1})(x_{j-2} - x_j)(x_{j-2} - x_{j+1})(x_{j-2} - x_{j+2})} \\ &= \frac{(-h)(-2h)(-3h)(-4h)}{[(x - x_j)^2 - h^2][(x - x_j)^2 - 2h(x - x_j)]} \\ &= \frac{24h^4}{(x^2 - 2xx_j + x_j^2 - h^2)(x^2 - 2(x_j + h)x + x_j^2 + 2hx_j)} \\ &= \frac{x^4 - (4x_j + 2h)x^3 + (6x_j^2 + 6hx_j - h^2)x^2}{24h^4} \\ &\quad + \frac{-(4x_j^3 + 6hx_j^2 - 2h^2x_j - 2h^3)x + (x_j^2 - h^2)(x_j^2 + 2hx_j)}{24h^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$l_{-1}(x) = \frac{(x - x_{j-2})(x - x_j)(x - x_{j+1})(x - x_{j+2})}{(x_{j-1} - x_{j-2})(x_{j-1} - x_j)(x_{j-1} - x_{j+1})(x_{j-1} - x_{j+2})}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{(x - x_j + 2h)(x - x_j)(x - x_j - h)(x - x_j - 2h)}{(h)(-h)(-2h)(-3h)} \\
&= -\frac{[(x - x_j)^2 - 4h^2][(x - x_j)^2 - h(x - x_j)]}{6h^4} \\
&= -\frac{(x^2 - 2xx_j + x_j^2 - 4h^2)(x^2 - (2x_j + h)x + x_j^2 + hx_j)}{6h^4} \\
&= -\frac{x^4 - (4x_j + h)x^3 + (6x_j^2 + 3hx_j - 4h^2)x^2}{6h^4} \\
&\quad - \frac{-(4x_j^3 + 3hx_j^2 - 8h^2x_j - 4h^3)x + (x_j^2 - 4h^2)(x_j^2 + hx_j)}{6h^4}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_0(x) &= \frac{(x - x_{j-2})(x - x_{j-1})(x - x_{j+1})(x - x_{j+2})}{(x_j - x_{j-2})(x_j - x_{j-1})(x_j - x_{j+1})(x_j - x_{j+2})} \\
&= \frac{(x - x_j + 2h)(x - x_j + h)(x - x_j - h)(x - x_j - 2h)}{(2h)(h)(-h)(-2h)} \\
&= \frac{[(x - x_j)^2 - 4h^2][(x - x_j)^2 - h^2]}{4h^4} \\
&= \frac{(x^2 - 2xx_j + x_j^2 - 4h^2)(x^2 - 2xx_j + x_j^2 - h^2)}{4h^4} \\
&= \frac{x^4 - 4x_jx^3 + (6x_j^2 - 5h^2)x^2 - (4x_j^3 - 10h^2x_j)x + (x_j^2 - 4h^2)(x_j^2 - h^2)}{4h^4}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_1(x) &= \frac{(x - x_{j-2})(x - x_{j-1})(x - x_j)(x - x_{j+2})}{(x_{j+1} - x_{j-2})(x_{j+1} - x_{j-1})(x_{j+1} - x_j)(x_{j+1} - x_{j+2})} \\
&= \frac{(x - x_j + 2h)(x - x_j + h)(x - x_j)(x - x_j - 2h)}{(3h)(2h)(h)(-h)} \\
&= -\frac{[(x - x_j)^2 - 4h^2][(x - x_j)^2 + h(x - x_j)]}{6h^4} \\
&= -\frac{(x^2 - 2xx_j + x_j^2 - 4h^2)(x^2 - (2x_j - h)x + x_j^2 - hx_j)}{6h^4} \\
&= -\frac{x^4 - (4x_j - h)x^3 + (6x_j^2 - 3hx_j - 4h^2)x^2}{6h^4} \\
&\quad - \frac{-(4x_j^3 - 3hx_j^2 - 8h^2x_j + 4h^3)x + (x_j^2 - 4h^2)(x_j^2 - hx_j)}{6h^4}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_2(x) &= \frac{(x - x_{j-2})(x - x_{j-1})(x - x_j)(x - x_{j+1})}{(x_{j+2} - x_{j-2})(x_{j+2} - x_{j-1})(x_{j+2} - x_j)(x_{j+2} - x_{j+1})} \\
&= \frac{(x - x_j + 2h)(x - x_j + h)(x - x_j)(x - x_j - h)}{(4h)(3h)(2h)(h)} \\
&= \frac{[(x - x_j)^2 - h^2][(x - x_j)^2 + 2h(x - x_j)]}{24h^4} \\
&= \frac{(x^2 - 2xx_j + x_j^2 - h^2)(x^2 - 2(x_j - h)x + x_j^2 - 2hx_j)}{24h^4} \\
&= \frac{x^4 - (4x_j - 2h)x^3 + (6x_j^2 - 6hx_j - h^2)x^2}{24h^4} \\
&\quad + \frac{-(4x_j^3 - 6hx_j^2 - 2h^2x_j + 2h^3)x + (x_j^2 - h^2)(x_j^2 + 2hx_j)}{24h^4}
\end{aligned}$$

2. Compute  $p_4''(x_j)$  and simplify as much as possible:

because  $f_{-2}, f_{-1}, f_0, f_1, f_2$  are all constants so:

$$p_4''(x) = f_{-2}l_{-2}'' + f_{-1}l_{-1}'' + f_0l_0'' + f_1l_1'' + f_2l_2''$$

Base on computed  $l_{-2}, l_{-1}, l_0, l_1, l_2$  above, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet l_{-2}'(x) &= \frac{4x^3 - 3(4x_j + 2h)x^2 + 2(6x_j^2 + 6hx_j - h^2)x - (4x_j^3 + 6hx_j^2 - 2h^2x_j - 2h^3)}{24h^4} \\ l_{-2}''(x) &= \frac{12x^2 - 6(4x_j + 2h)x + 2(6x_j^2 + 6hx_j - h^2)}{24h^4} \\ l_{-2}''(x_j) &= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12x_j^2 - 6(4x_j + 2h)x_j + 12x_j^2 + 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\ &= -\frac{1}{12h^2} \\ \bullet l_{-1}'(x) &= -\frac{4x^3 - 3(4x_j + h)x^2 + 2(6x_j^2 + 3hx_j - 4h^2)x - (4x_j^3 + 3hx_j^2 - 8h^2x_j - 4h^3)}{6h^4} \\ l_{-1}''(x) &= -\frac{12x^2 - 6(4x_j + h)x + 2(6x_j^2 + 3hx_j - 4h^2)}{6h^4} \\ l_{-1}''(x_j) &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_j^2 - 6(4x_j + h)x_j + 12x_j^2 + 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= \frac{4}{3h^2} \\ \bullet l_0'(x) &= \frac{4x^3 - 12x_jx^2 + 2(6x_j^2 - 5h^2)x - (4x_j^3 - 10h^2x_j)}{4h^4} \\ l_0''(x) &= \frac{12x^2 - 24x_jx + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2}{4h^4} \\ l_0''(x_j) &= \frac{1}{4h^4}(12x_j^2 - 24x_jx_j + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2) \\ &= -\frac{5}{2h^2} \\ \bullet l_1'(x) &= -\frac{4x^3 - 3(4x_j - h)x^2 + 2(6x_j^2 - 3hx_j - 4h^2)x - (4x_j^3 - 3hx_j^2 - 8h^2x_j + 4h^3)}{6h^4} \\ l_1''(x) &= -\frac{12x^2 - 6(4x_j - h)x + 2(6x_j^2 - 3hx_j - 4h^2)}{6h^4} \\ l_1''(x_j) &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_j^2 - 6(4x_j - h)x_j + 12x_j^2 - 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= \frac{4}{3h^2} \\ \bullet l_2'(x) &= \frac{4x^3 - 3(4x_j - 2h)x^2 + 2(6x_j^2 + 6hx_j - h^2)x - (4x_j^3 - 6hx_j^2 - 2h^2x_j + 2h^3)}{24h^4} \\ l_2''(x) &= \frac{12x^2 - 6(4x_j - 2h)x + 2(6x_j^2 + 6hx_j - h^2)}{24h^4} \\ l_2''(x_j) &= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12x_j^2 - 6(4x_j - 2h)x_j + 12x_j^2 - 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\ &= -\frac{1}{12h^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So: } p_4''(x_j) &= f_{-2} \cdot \frac{-1}{12h^2} + f_{-1} \cdot \frac{4}{3h^2} + f_0 \cdot \frac{-5}{2h^2} + f_1 \cdot \frac{4}{3h^2} + f_2 \cdot \frac{-1}{12h^2} \\ &= \frac{-\frac{1}{12}f_{-2} + \frac{4}{3}f_{-1} - \frac{5}{2}f_0 + \frac{4}{3}f_1 - \frac{1}{12}f_2}{h^2}\end{aligned}$$

three constants are defined as follow:  $A = -\frac{1}{12}$ ;  $B = \frac{4}{3}$ ;  $C = -\frac{5}{2}$

3. Compute  $p_4''(x_{j-1})$  and  $p_4''(x_{j+1})$ :

Based on above analyzing we have:  $x_{j-1} = x_j - h, x_{j+1} = x_j + h$  and:

$$\begin{aligned}l_{-2}''(x_{j-1}) &= \frac{1}{24h^4}[12x_{j-1}^2 - 6(4x_j + 2h)x_{j-1} + 12x_j^2 + 12hx_j - 2h^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{24h^4}[12(x_j - h)^2 - 6(4x_j + 2h)(x_j - h) + 12x_j^2 + 12hx_j - 2h^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{24h^4}[12x_j^2 - 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 + 12hx_j + 12h^2 + 12x_j^2 + 12hx_j - 2h^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{12h^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}l_{-2}''(x_{j+1}) &= \frac{1}{24h^4}[12x_{j+1}^2 - 6(4x_j + 2h)x_{j+1} + 12x_j^2 + 12hx_j - 2h^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{24h^4}[12(x_j + h)^2 - 6(4x_j + 2h)(x_j + h) + 12x_j^2 + 12hx_j - 2h^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{24h^4}[12x_j^2 + 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 - 36hx_j - 12h^2 + 12x_j^2 + 12hx_j - 2h^2] \\ &= -\frac{1}{12h^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}l_{-1}''(x_{j-1}) &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_{j-1}^2 - 6(4x_j + h)x_{j-1} + 12x_j^2 + 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12(x_j - h)^2 - 6(4x_j + h)(x_j - h) + 12x_j^2 + 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_j^2 - 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 + 18hx_j + 6h^2 + 12x_j^2 + 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= -\frac{1}{3h^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}l_{-1}''(x_{j+1}) &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_{j+1}^2 - 6(4x_j + h)x_{j+1} + 12x_j^2 + 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12(x_j + h)^2 - 6(4x_j + h)(x_j + h) + 12x_j^2 + 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_j^2 + 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 - 30hx_j - 6h^2 + 12x_j^2 + 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{3h^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$l_0''(x_{j-1}) = \frac{1}{4h^4}(12x_{j-1}^2 - 24x_j \cdot x_{j-1} + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{4h^4}(12(x_j - h)^2 - 24x_j(x_j - h) + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{4h^4}(12x_j^2 - 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 + 24hx_j + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{2h^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_0''(x_{j+1}) &= \frac{1}{4h^4}(12x_{j+1}^2 - 24x_j x_{j+1} + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{4h^4}(12(x_j + h)^2 - 24x_j(x_j + h) + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{4h^4}(12x_j^2 + 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 - 24hx_j + 12x_j^2 - 10h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{2h^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_1''(x_{j-1}) &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_{j-1}^2 - 6(4x_j - h)x_{j-1} + 12x_j^2 - 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\
&= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12(x_j - h)^2 - 6(4x_j - h)(x_j - h) + 12x_j^2 - 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\
&= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_j^2 - 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 + 30hx_j - 6h^2 + 12x_j^2 - 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\
&= \frac{1}{3h^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_1''(x_{j+1}) &= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_{j+1}^2 - 6(4x_j - h)x_{j+1} + 12x_j^2 - 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\
&= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12(x_j + h)^2 - 6(4x_j - h)(x_j + h) + 12x_j^2 - 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\
&= -\frac{1}{6h^4}[12x_j^2 + 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 - 18hx_j + 6h^2 + 12x_j^2 - 6hx_j - 8h^2] \\
&= -\frac{5}{3h^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_2''(x_{j-1}) &= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12x_{j-1}^2 - 6(4x_j - 2h)x_{j-1} + 12x_j^2 - 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12(x_j - h)^2 - 6(4x_j - 2h)(x_j - h) + 12x_j^2 - 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12x_j^2 - 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 + 36hx_j - 12h^2 + 12x_j^2 - 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\
&= -\frac{1}{12h^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_2''(x_{j+1}) &= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12x_{j+1}^2 - 6(4x_j - 2h)x_{j+1} + 12x_j^2 - 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12(x_j + h)^2 - 6(4x_j - 2h)(x_j + h) + 12x_j^2 - 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{24h^4}(12x_j^2 + 24hx_j + 12h^2 - 24x_j^2 - 12hx_j + 12h^2 + 12x_j^2 - 12hx_j - 2h^2) \\
&= \frac{11}{12h^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So: } p_4''(x_{j-1}) &= f_{-2} \cdot \frac{11}{12h^2} + f_{-1} \cdot \frac{-5}{3h^2} + f_0 \cdot \frac{1}{2h^2} + f_1 \cdot \frac{1}{3h^2} + f_2 \cdot \frac{-1}{12h^2} \\ &= \frac{\frac{11}{12}f_{-2} - \frac{5}{3}f_{-1} + \frac{1}{2}f_0 + \frac{1}{3}f_1 - \frac{1}{12}f_2}{h^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}p_4''(x_{j+1}) &= f_{-2} \cdot \frac{-1}{12h^2} + f_{-1} \cdot \frac{1}{3h^2} + f_0 \cdot \frac{1}{2h^2} + f_1 \cdot \frac{-5}{3h^2} + f_2 \cdot \frac{11}{12h^2} \\ &= \frac{-\frac{1}{12}f_{-2} + \frac{1}{3}f_{-1} + \frac{1}{2}f_0 - \frac{5}{3}f_1 + \frac{11}{12}f_2}{h^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{five constants are: } D = \frac{11}{12}; \quad E = -\frac{5}{3}; \quad F = \frac{1}{2}; \quad G = \frac{1}{3}; \quad H = -\frac{1}{12}$$

4. We are now prepare to approximate the solution to the differential equation:

$$-u''(x) = g(x), \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0$$

Construct the quartic interpolant  $p_{4,j}$  to  $u(x)$  at the points  $x_{j-2}, x_{j-1}, x_j, x_{j+1}, x_{j+2}$  as done in part 1a, we have the approximation:

$$-p_4''(x_j) \approx -u''(x_j) = g(x_j) \quad \text{and} \quad u_j \approx u(x_j)$$

As result from 1b, we have:

$$p_4''(x_j) = \frac{-\frac{1}{12}f_{-2} + \frac{4}{3}f_{-1} - \frac{5}{2}f_0 + \frac{4}{3}f_1 - \frac{1}{12}f_2}{h^2}$$

For  $j = 1, \dots, n$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned}-p_4''(x_1) &= -p_4''(x_{2-1}) = -\frac{11}{12h^2}u_0 + \frac{5}{3h^2}u_1 - \frac{1}{2h^2}u_2 - \frac{1}{3h^2}u_3 + \frac{1}{12h^2}u_4 \\ &= g(x_{2-1}) = g(x_1) \\ -p_4''(x_2) &= \frac{1}{12h^2}u_0 - \frac{4}{3h^2}u_1 + \frac{5}{2h^2}u_2 - \frac{4}{3h^2}u_3 + \frac{1}{12h^2}u_4 = g(x_2) \\ &\dots \dots \dots \\ -p_4''(x_{n-2}) &= \frac{1}{12h^2}u_{n-4} - \frac{4}{3h^2}u_{n-3} + \frac{5}{2h^2}u_{n-2} - \frac{4}{3h^2}u_{n-1} + \frac{1}{12h^2}u_n = g(x_{n-2}) \\ -p_4''(x_{n-1}) &= -p_4''(x_{n-2+1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{12h^2}u_{n-4} - \frac{1}{3h^2}u_{n-3} - \frac{1}{2h^2}u_{n-2} + \frac{5}{3h^2}u_{n-1} - \frac{11}{12h^2}u_n = g(x_{n-1})\end{aligned}$$

We could form a linear system equation:  $M.u = g$

$$M = \frac{1}{h^2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{12} & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{3}{4} & \frac{5}{5} & -\frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{12} & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{12} & \frac{2}{4} & -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{3}{4} & \frac{2}{5} & -\frac{3}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \ddots & & & \dots & & \dots & & \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & & \ddots & & \dots & & \dots & & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{4}{3} & \frac{5}{2} & -\frac{4}{3} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

5. Produce a MATLAB implementation of approximation. For  $n = 6$ :

$$h = \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{6}.$$

So the 5x5 matrix (M) of linear system is:

$$M = \frac{1}{(\frac{1}{6})^2} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{12} & 0 \\ \frac{3}{4} & \frac{5}{5} & -\frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{12} & 0 \\ -\frac{3}{12} & \frac{2}{4} & -\frac{3}{5} & \frac{1}{12} & \frac{1}{12} \\ \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{3}{4} & \frac{2}{5} & -\frac{3}{12} & \frac{1}{12} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{3}{4} & \frac{2}{5} & -\frac{4}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{12} & -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 60 & -18 & -12 & 3 & 0 \\ -48 & 90 & -48 & 3 & 0 \\ 3 & -48 & 90 & -48 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -48 & 90 & -48 \\ 0 & 3 & -12 & -18 & 60 \end{bmatrix}$$

- edit the code `fd_bvp` to provide two plots:

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% computed constants from 1b and 1c
A = -1/12; B = 4/3; C = -5/2;
D = 11/12; E = -5/3; F = 1/2; G = 1/3; H = -1/12;

g = @(x) sin(pi*x);
true_u = @(x) (1/pi^2)*sin(pi*x);
xx = linspace(0,1,500);
n = 6; h = 1/n;
x = [0:n]'*h;
uexact = true_u(x);
f = -g(x(2:n));
% Quadratic interpolation
A2 = (-2*eye(n-1)+diag(ones(n-2,1),1)+diag(ones(n-2,1),-1))/h^2;
```



```

u2 = A2\f;
u2 = [0;u2;0]; % add in Dirichlet values, u(0)=u(1)=0

% Quartic interpolation
A41 = [-E, -F,-G,H, zeros(1,n-5)]/h^2;
A42n2 = (-A*diag(ones(n-2,1),-1) - B*eye(n-1) -C*diag(ones(n-2,1),1)
        - B*diag(ones(n-3,1),2) -A*diag(ones(n-4,1),3))/h^2;
A42n2(n-1,:) = []; A42n2(n-2,:) = [];
A4n = [zeros(1,n-5), -H, -G,-F,-E]/h^2;
A4 = [A41;A42n2;A4n];
u4 = -A4\f;
u4 = [0;u4;0];

figure(1), clf
plot(xx,true_u(xx), 'k-','linewidth',2)
hold on;
plot(x,u2, 'r.-','linewidth',2,'markersize',24)
plot(x,u4, 'b.--','linewidth',2,'markersize',24)
xlabel('$x$','fontsize',18,'interpreter','latex')
ylabel('$u(x)$','fontsize',18,'interpreter','latex')
leg = legend('true solution', 'quadratic approx','quartic approx',...
            'location','northoutside','orientation','horizontal');
set(leg,'interpreter','latex','fontsize',10)
print('quartic_approx','-dpng');

figure(2), clf
plot(x,abs(true_u(x)-u2), 'r.--','linewidth',2,'markersize',24)
hold on;
plot(x,abs(true_u(x)-u4), 'b.--','linewidth',2,'markersize',24)
xlabel('$x$','fontsize',18,'interpreter','latex')
ylabel('$|{\rm error}|$', 'fontsize',18,'interpreter','latex')
leg = legend('quadratic error','quartic error','location', ...
            'northoutside','orientation','horizontal');
set(leg,'interpreter','latex','fontsize',10)
print('quartic_error','-dpng');

```

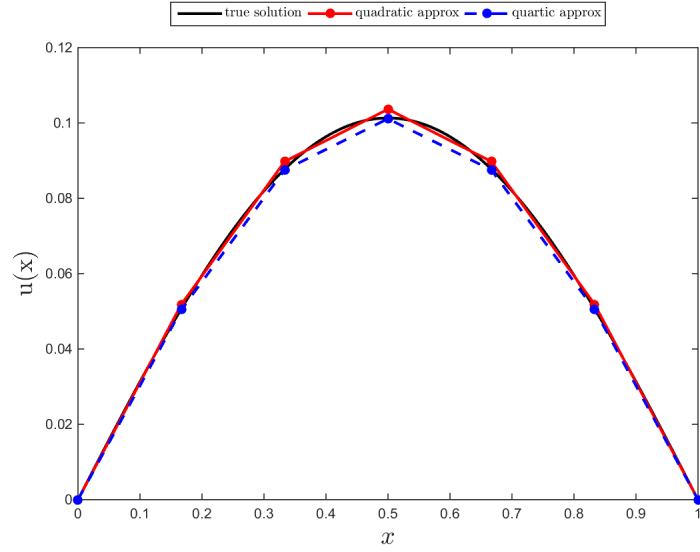


Figure 1: Quadratic and Quartic approximation

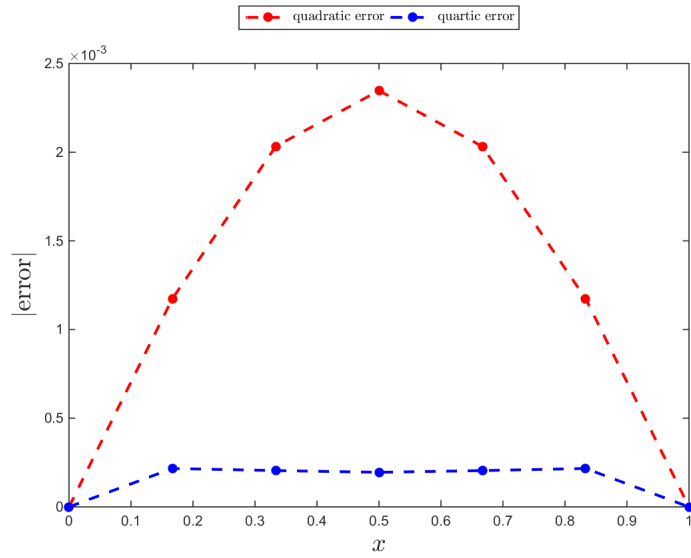


Figure 2: Quadratic and Quartic error

6. Edit the code `fd_bvp_conv` to incorporate new approximation and produce a `loglog` plot showing:

$$\max_{0 \leq j \leq n} |u(x_j) - u_j|$$

for the approximations with  $n = 16, 32, 64, \dots, 512$  for both the quadratic approximation and the new quartic approximation.

```

% computed constants from 1b and 1c
A = -1/12; B = 4/3; C = -5/2;
D = 11/12; E = -5/3; F = 1/2; G = 1/3; H = -1/12;
g = @(x) sin(pi*x);
true_u = @(x) (1/pi^2)*sin(pi*x);
xx = linspace(0,1,500);
nvec = 2.^[4:9];
err2 = zeros(length(nvec),1);
err4 = zeros(length(nvec),1);

for j=1:length(nvec)
    n = nvec(j);
    h = 1/n;
    x = [0:n]'*h;
    f = -g(x(2:n));
    % Quadratic approximation
    A2 = (-2*eye(n-1)+diag(ones(n-2,1),1)+diag(ones(n-2,1),-1))/h^2;
    u2 = A2\f;
    u2 = [0;u2;0]; % add in Dirichlet values, u(0)=u(1)=0
    err2(j) = max(abs(true_u(x)-u2));
    % Quartic approximation
    A41 = [-E, -F,-G,H, zeros(1,n-5)]/h^2;
    A42n2 = (-A*diag(ones(n-2,1),-1) - B*eye(n-1) -C*diag(ones(n-2,1),1)
            - B*diag(ones(n-3,1),2) -A*diag(ones(n-4,1),3))/h^2;
    A42n2(n-1,:) = []; A42n2(n-2,:) = [];
    A4n = [zeros(1,n-5), -H, -G,-F,-E]/h^2;
    A4 = [A41;A42n2;A4n];
    u4 = A4\f;
    u4 = [0;u4;0];
    err4(j) = max(abs(true_u(x)-u4));
end

figure(1), clf
loglog(nvec, err2,'r.-','linewidth',2,'markersize',24)
hold on;

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```

loglog(nvec, nvec.^(-2), 'r--', 'linewidth', 2, 'markersize', 24)
xlabel('$n$', 'fontsize', 18, 'interpreter', 'latex')
ylabel('max error at grid points', 'fontsize', 18, 'interpreter', 'latex')
leg = legend('quadratic error', '$O(h^2)$', 'location', ...
            'northoutside', 'orientation', 'horizontal');
set(leg, 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 16)
print('quadratic_approx_error_0h', '-dpng');

figure(2), clf
loglog(nvec, err4, 'r.-', 'linewidth', 2, 'markersize', 24)
hold on
loglog(nvec, nvec.^(-2), 'b--', 'linewidth', 2, 'markersize', 24)
xlabel('$n$', 'fontsize', 18, 'interpreter', 'latex')
ylabel('max error at grid points', 'fontsize', 18, 'interpreter', 'latex')
leg = legend('quartic error', '$O(h^2)$', 'location', ...
            'northoutside', 'orientation', 'horizontal');
set(leg, 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 16)
print('quartic_approx_error_0h', '-dpng');

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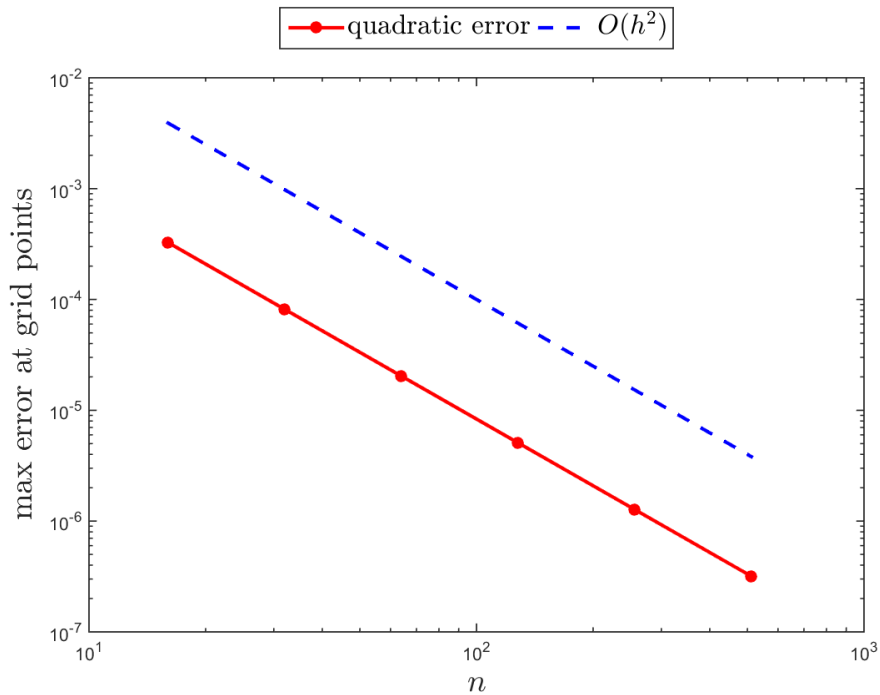


Figure 3: Quadratic approximation and  $O(h)$  error

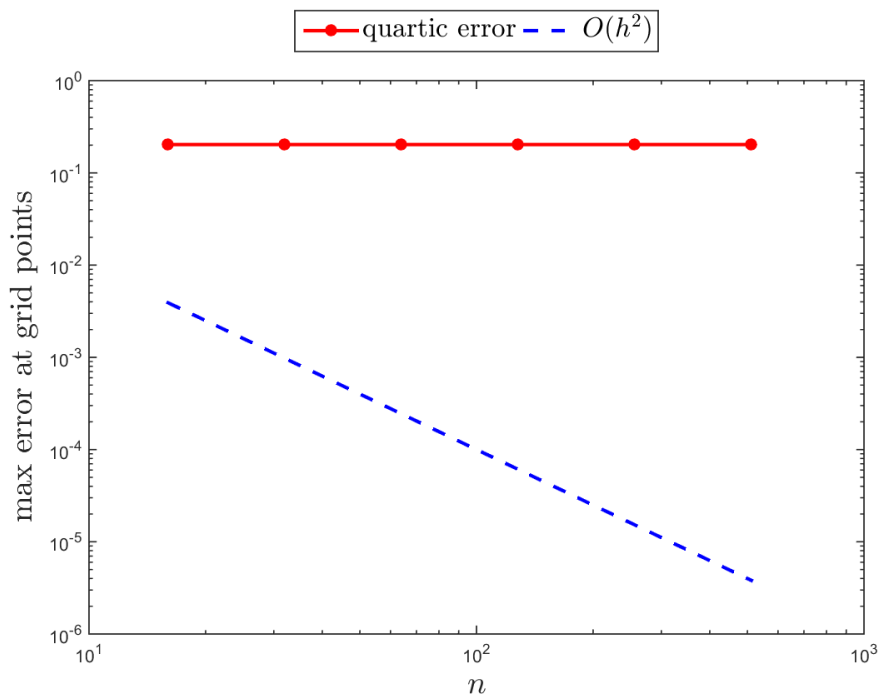


Figure 4: Quartic approximation and  $O(h)$  error

- The quadratic approximation yielded  $O(h^2)$  accuracy. What accuracy does the quartic approximation produce? Add a dashed line to your plot reflect the appropriate convergence rate of the quartic approximation.

7. (optional) Suppose we change the left boundary condition  $u'(0) = 0$ . Discuss how you would implement this boundary condition while maintaining the accuracy of the approximation. Test your method out on the equation  $-u''(x) = \cos(\pi x/2)$  with exact solution  $u(x) = (4/\pi^2)\cos(\pi x/2)$

**Problem 2.** Solve these three problems from Gautschi's text:

1. Consider the piecewise cubic function:

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} p(x) & x \in [0, 1] \\ (2-x)^3 & x \in [1, 2] \end{cases}$$

Find the cubic  $p$  such that  $S(0) = 0$  and  $S$  is a cubic spline for the knots  $x_0 = 0, x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2$ .

**Assume**  $p(x)$  has form:  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$

So:  $p'(x) = a_1 + 2a_2x + 3a_3x^2$

$$p''(x) = 2a_2 + 6a_3x$$

We have:  $S(0) = 0 \Rightarrow S(0) = p(0) = a_0 + a_1 \cdot 0 + a_2 \cdot 0^2 + a_3 \cdot 0^3 = a_0 \Leftrightarrow a_0 = 0$

$$S(1) = p(1) = 0 + a_1 \cdot 1 + a_2 \cdot 1^2 + a_3 \cdot 1^3 = (2 - 1)^3$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$S'(1) = p'(1) = a_1 + 2a_2 \cdot 1 + 3a_3 \cdot 1^2 = [(2 - x)^3]'|_{x=1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 = -3(2 - x)^2|_{x=1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 = -3 \quad (2)$$

$$S''(1) = p''(1) = 2a_2 + 6a_3 \cdot 1 = [(2 - x)^3]''|_{x=1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2a_2 + 6a_3 = 6(2 - x)|_{x=1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2a_2 + 6a_3 = 6 \quad (3)$$

$$\text{From (1) (2) and (3) we have: } \begin{cases} a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1 \\ a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3 = -3 \\ 2a_2 + 6a_3 = 6 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} a_1 = 12 \\ a_2 = -18 \\ a_3 = 7 \end{cases}$$

The cubic  $p$  is defined:  $p(x) = 12x - 18x^2 + 7x^3$

$p''(0) = 2 \cdot (-18) + 6 \cdot 7 \cdot 0 = -36 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  **The spline  $S$  is not natural.**

2. Consider the set of knots  $x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n$ . One could extend the idea of splines presented in class to give functions  $S$  that are polynomials of degree  $d$  on each interval  $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$  for  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$  with  $S \in C^p[x_0, x_n]$ , i.e.,  $S$  and its first  $p$  derivatives are all continuous on  $[x_0, x_n]$ . What is the dimension of the space of such functions?

- The number of parameters is:  $(n - 1)(n + 1) = n^2 - 1$

- The number of constraints (smoothness) is:  $(n - 2)(p + 1) = (p + 1)n - 2p - 2$

$\Rightarrow$  The dimension (degree of freedom) of the space is:

$$(n^2 - 1) - [(p + 1)n - 2p - 2] = n^2 - (p + 1)n + 2p + 1$$

3. Let  $\Pi$  denote the linear operator that maps  $f \in C[a, b]$  to its *piecewise linear interpolant* at  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$ , (i.e.,  $\Pi f$  denotes the piecewise linear interpolant to  $f$ ).

- We have:  $\|g\|_\infty = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |g(x)|$  for any  $g \in [a, b]$ . So:

$$\|\Pi g\|_\infty = \max_{a \leq x_i \leq b} |\Pi g(x_i)| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |g(x_i)| \leq \|g\|_\infty \quad \textbf{Proved!}$$

- With  $p_*$  denote any *piecewise linear polynomial* for these interpolation points  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n$ . We have:

$\Pi p_* = p_*$  as determination of  $\Pi$  above. So that:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - \Pi f\|_\infty &= \|f - p_* + p_* - \Pi f\|_\infty \leq \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|p_* - \Pi f\|_\infty \\ &= \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|\Pi p_* - \Pi f\|_\infty \\ &= \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|\Pi(f - p_*)\|_\infty \\ &\leq \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|f - p_*\|_\infty \\ &= 2\|f - p_*\|_\infty \quad \textbf{Proved!} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 3.** This problem continues the theme of the last problem, but now with standard degree- $n$  polynomial interpolation replacing piecewise linear interpolation. Let  $\Pi_n$  denote the linear operator that maps  $f \in C[a, b]$  to the polynomial  $p_n$  that interpolates  $f$  at the distinct points  $x_0, \dots, x_n, \{x_j\}_{j=0}^n \subset [a, b]$ . In other words,  $\Pi_n f = p_n$ , where  $p_n$  is the unique polynomial of degree  $n$  (or less) for which  $f(x_j) = p_n(x_j)$  for  $j = 0, \dots, n$ .

1. Explain why  $\Pi_n$  is a *projector*: That is, for any  $f \in C[a, b]$ , show that  $\Pi_n(\Pi_n f) = \Pi_n f$ .

Assume that  $\Pi_n p_n = q_n$ , and because  $\Pi_n$  is a linear operator so:

- $q_n$  is a polynomial of degree  $n$
  - $q_n$  has  $n + 1$  root at the same distinct points  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n$  as  $p_n$
- $\Rightarrow q_n = p_n$  or  $\Pi_n p_n = p_n \Leftrightarrow \Pi_n(\Pi_n f) = \Pi_n f \Leftrightarrow \Pi_n^2 = \Pi_n$   
 $\Rightarrow \Pi_n$  is a projector.

This infinity norm induces the *operator norm*

$$\|\Pi_n\|_\infty = \max_{f \in C[a, b], f \neq 0} \frac{\|\Pi_n f\|_\infty}{\|f\|_\infty} = \max_{\|f\|_\infty = 1} \|\Pi_n f\|_\infty$$

2. For  $x_0 = a$  and  $x_1 = b$ , then:

$p_0(x_0) = f_0(x_0)$  as defined by Newton basic interpolation.

and  $\Pi_0.f_0(x_0) = p_0(x_0) \Leftrightarrow \Pi_0.f_0(a) = p_0(a) \Leftrightarrow \Pi_0 = 1 \Rightarrow \|\Pi_n\|_\infty = 1$

$\|\Pi_0\|_\infty = \|\Pi_1\|_\infty = 1$ . for  $n = 0$ ,  $f$  is a constant line - degree of 0 so

$$\max_{\|f\|_\infty=1} \|\Pi_0 f\|_\infty = 1 \Rightarrow \|\Pi_0\|_\infty = 1$$

for  $n = 1$ ,  $f$  is a first order line - degree of 1 so  $\max_{\|f\|_\infty=1} \|\Pi_1 f\|_\infty = 1 \Rightarrow \|\Pi_1\|_\infty = 1$

3. Recall that we can write the polynomial  $p_n = \Pi_n f$  in the Lagrange form:

$$\Pi_n f = \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) l_j(x)$$

where  $l_k$  denotes the  $k^{th}$  Lagrange basis polynomial. We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Pi_n f\|_\infty &= \max_{x \in [a,b]} \left| \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) l_j(x) \right| \leq \|f\|_\infty \max_{x \in [a,b]} \sum_{j=0}^n |l_j(x)| \\ &\Rightarrow \max \|\Pi_n f\|_\infty = \|f\|_\infty \max_{x \in [a,b]} \sum_{j=0}^n |l_j(x)| \\ &\Rightarrow \|\Pi_n\|_\infty = \max_{\|f\|_\infty=1} \|\Pi_n f\|_\infty = \max_{\|f\|_\infty=1} \left( \|f\|_\infty \max_{x \in [a,b]} \sum_{j=0}^n |l_j(x)| \right) = \max_{x \in [a,b]} \sum_{j=0}^n |l_j(x)| \end{aligned}$$

4. Let  $p_*$  denote any polynomial of degree  $n$  (e.g.,  $p_*$  minimizes  $\|f - p\|_\infty$  over all  $p \in \mathbb{P}_n$ ). We have (replaced  $p_n$  by  $\Pi_n f$  because  $p_n = \Pi_n f$  as mentioned above):

$$\|f - p_n\|_\infty = \|f - p_* + p_* - \Pi_n f\|_\infty \leq \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|p_* - \Pi_n f\|_\infty$$

But  $\Pi_n$  is a projector on  $\mathbb{P}_n$  so:  $p_* - \Pi_n f = \Pi_n p_* - \Pi_n f = \Pi_n(p_* - f)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \|f - p_n\|_\infty &\leq \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|\Pi_n(p_* - f)\|_\infty \leq \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|\Pi_n\|_\infty \|p_* - f\|_\infty \\ &= \|f - p_*\|_\infty + \|\Pi_n\|_\infty \|f - p_*\|_\infty \\ &= (1 + \|\Pi_n\|_\infty) \|f - p_*\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$



5. Computationally estimate  $\|\Pi_n\|_\infty$  for  $n = 1, \dots, 20$ :

We have  $\|\Pi_n\|_\infty$  is called Lebesgue constant, so with:

(i) uniformly spaced points  $x_j = -1 + 2j/n$

The asymptotic estimate:  $\|\Pi_n\|_\infty \approx \frac{2^{n+1}}{e \cdot n \log n}$

(ii) Chebyshev points  $x_j = \cos(j\pi/n)$  over  $[-1, 1]$ .

The asymptotic estimate:  $\|\Pi_n\|_\infty \approx \frac{2}{\pi} \log(n+1) + 1$

We have the result for 2 above estimation:

```
n = linspace(1,20,20);
L = zeros(size(n));      % template for uniform spaced points x_j
C = zeros(size(n));      % template for Chebyshev points
for i = 1:size(n,2)
    L(1,i) = 2^(n(i)+1)/(exp(1)*n(i)*log(n(i)));
    C(1,i) = (2/pi)*log(n(i)+1) +1;
end
figure; plot(n,L,'r');
xlabel('n'); ylabel('linear operator estimate Pi');
title('LOS based on Uniform spaced points');
print('LOS_uniform','-dpng');
figure; plot(n,C,'b');
xlabel('n'); ylabel('linear operator estimate Pi');
title('LOS based on Chebyshev points');
print('LOS_Chebyshev','-dpng');
```

```
>> L
L =
1.0e+04 *
Columns 1 through 9
Inf      0.0002      0.0002      0.0002      0.0003      0.0004      0.0007
```

Columns 7 through 14

0.0011	0.0019	0.0033	0.0057	0.0101	0.0181	0.0326
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Columns 15 through 20

0.0594	0.1087	0.2002	0.3707	0.6895	1.2877
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>> C

C =

Columns 1 through 11

1.4413	1.6994	1.8825	2.0246	2.1407	2.2388	2.3238
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Columns 7 through 14

2.3988	2.4659	2.5265	2.5819	2.6329	2.6801	2.7240
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Columns 15 through 20

2.7651	2.8037	2.8401	2.8745	2.9071	2.9382
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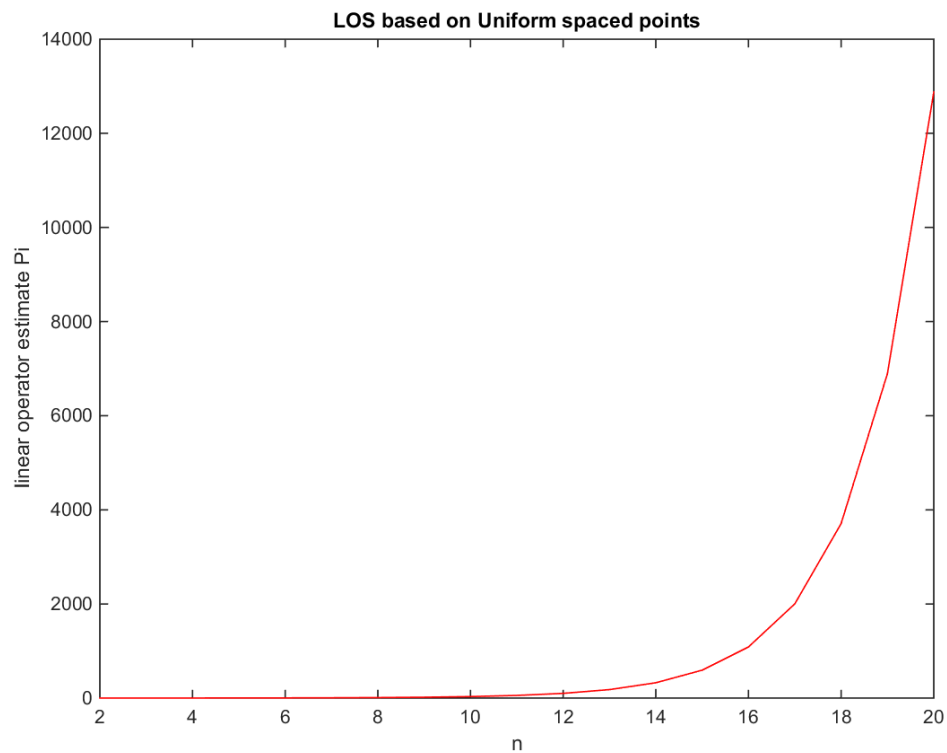


Figure 5: Linear Operator Estimation based on uniform spaced points

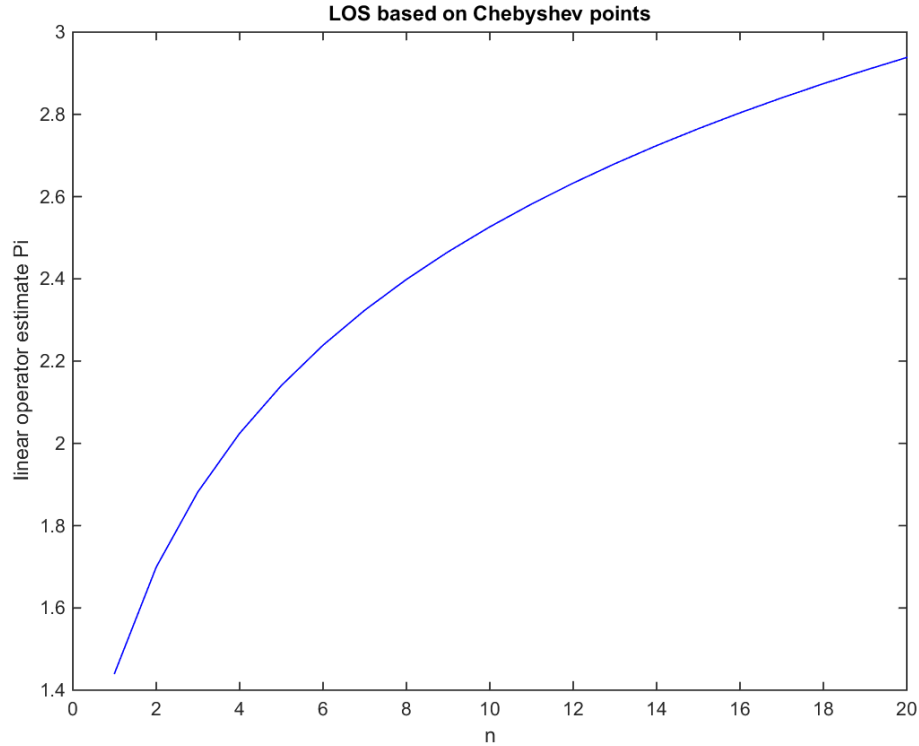


Figure 6: Linear Operator Estimation based on Chebyshev points

**Problem 4.** *Splines in font design.* The font in which this text is set was designed by Donald Knuth using his remarkable METAFONT software. To make appealing letters, the font designer establishes fixed points that guide *Berir curves*, defined via *Bernstein polynomials*. These curves do not interpolate the guide points, but a similar system based on spline functions, which do interpolate, has also been proposed. Here you will try your hand at spline fond design: design a stylized 'K' character using cubic splines with natural boundary conditions. The craft would be the same if you were designing an airplane fuselage or a new sport car. Consider the following table of data. The  $(f_j, g_j)$  values specify the skeleton for our 'K', as shown on the right. Our goal is to replace the straight lines by smooth curves generated from splines.

1. Write a MATLAB routine: `function S = cBspline(x,x0,h)`

that computes the value of a cubic B-spline at a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , given the initial knot  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , and uniform grid spacing  $h$ , i.e.,  $x_j = x_0 + jh$ .

2. Using your code from part (a), or otherwise, construct two *natural* cubic splines, one, called  $S_1(x)$ , interpolating the  $(x_j, f_j)$  values, the other, called  $S_2(x)$ , interpolating  $(x_j, g_j)$ . (Each spline should be the linear combination of  $n+3 = 26$  B-splines. Further details are provided in the lecture notes; the variables  $f_j$  and  $g_j$  are defined in the MATLAB like `Kdata.m` on the class website).
3. Produce a plot showing  $S_1(x)$  and  $S_2(x)$  for  $x \in [0, 23]$ , along with the points  $(x_j, f_j)$  and  $(x_j, g_j)$  to verify that your splines interpolate the data as desired.
4. In a separate figure, plot  $(S_1(x), S_2(x))$  for  $x \in [0, 23]$ . You should obtain a picture like the skeleton above, but with the straight lines replaced by more interesting curves. Superimpose the  $(f_j, g_j)$  points to verify that your splines interpolate the data points.

```

n = 23;
h = 1; x0 = 0;
x = x0:n;
knots = -5:h:26;
x0indx = find(knots==x0);
pointlnd = numel(knots);
B = [];
for j = -3:n-1
    B = [B, bsplinejk(x,j,3,knots,x0indx)'];
end
firstRow = [3, -6, 3, zeros(1,n)];
lastRow = [zeros(1,n), 3, -6, 3];
B = [firstRow; B; lastRow];
Kdata;
f = [0; fj; 0];

```

```

g = [0;gj;0];

cf = B\f;
cg = B\g;
xx = linspace(0,23,1000);
BB = [];
scatter(0:n,fj); legend('f_j(x_j)', 'S_1(x_j)');
figure;
Sg = BB*cg;
plot(xx,Sg); hold on; grid on; title('S_{2}(x)');
xlabel('x_j');

for j = -3:n-1
BB = [BB, bsplinejk(x,j,3,knots,x0indx)'];
end
Sf = BB*cf;
plot(xx,Sf); hold on; grid on; title('S_{1}(x)');
xlabel('x_j');

scatter(0:n,gj); legend('g_j(x_j)', 'S_2(x_j)');
figure;
plot(fj,gj); hold on; grid on;
legend('S_1(x_j)|S_2(x_j)', 'f_j(x_j)|g_j(x_j)');

```