

2. Show that, for  $n + 1$  Chebyshev points of the second kind, the barycentric weights are (after rescaling)

$$w_i = (-1)^i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1,$$

$$\text{and } w_0 = 1/2, w_n = (-1)^n/2.$$

By HW1, we know that  $w'_{n+1}(x_i) = \prod_{j=0, j \neq i}^n (x_i - x_j) = w_i \quad \forall i = 0, \dots, n$ , where  $w_{n+1}(x) = \prod_{j=0}^n (x - x_j)$ .

Let  $x = \cos \theta$  for  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } w_{n+1}(x) &= \prod_{i=0}^n (x - x_i) = (x-1)(x+1) \frac{U_n(x)}{2^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} (x^2-1) \frac{\sin(n \cos^{-1}(x))}{\sin(\cos^{-1}(x))} \\ &= \frac{-1}{2^{n-1}} \sin(n \cos^{-1}(x)) \cdot \sin(\cos^{-1}(x)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} \left( \cos((n+1) \cos^{-1}(x)) - \cos((n-1) \cos^{-1}(x)) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} \left( \cos(n\theta) \cos(\theta) - \sin(n\theta) \sin(\theta) - (\cos(n\theta) \cos(\theta) - \sin(n\theta) \sin(\theta)) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} (-2 \sin(n\theta) \sin(\theta)). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } \frac{dw_{n+1}(x)}{dx} &= \frac{d \frac{1}{2^n} (-2 \sin(n\theta) \sin(\theta))}{d\theta} \cdot \frac{d\theta}{dx} \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} (-2(n \cos(n\theta) \sin(\theta) + \sin(n\theta) \cos(\theta))) \cdot \frac{d\theta}{d \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} (-2(n \cos(n\theta) \sin(\theta) + \sin(n\theta) \cos(\theta))) \cdot \frac{-1}{\sin \theta} \text{ denoted by } f(\theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Claim: } \sin(n\theta) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \cos((n-i)\theta) \cos^{i-1} \theta \sin \theta \right) + \sin \theta \cos^{n-1} \theta \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}.$$

$$\text{pf: Suppose } \sin(n\theta) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \cos((n-i)\theta) \cos^{i-1} \theta \sin \theta \right) + \sin \theta \cos^{n-1} \theta = (*) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}.$$

$$\text{For } n=2, \sin(2\theta) = \cos \theta \sin \theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta \text{ holds.}$$

$$\text{Suppose } n=N, (*) \text{ holds.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } n=N+1, \sin((N+1)\theta) &= \sin(N\theta) \cos \theta + \cos(N\theta) \sin \theta \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \cos((N-i)\theta) \cos^{i-1} \theta \sin \theta \right) \cos \theta + \cos(N\theta) \sin \theta \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \cos((N-i)\theta) \cos^i \theta \sin \theta \right) + \cos(N\theta) \sin \theta \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=0}^N \cos((N-i)\theta) \cos^i \theta \sin \theta \right) \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \cos((N-i)\theta) \cos^i \theta \sin \theta \right) + \cos^N \theta \sin \theta \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \cos((N+1-i)\theta) \cdot \cos^{i-1} \theta \cdot \sin \theta \right) + \sin \theta \cos^N \theta \text{ holds.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{By induction, } \sin(n\theta) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \cos((n-i)\theta) \cos^{i-1} \theta \sin \theta \right) + \sin \theta \cos^{n-1} \theta \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}.$$

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{2^n} (-2(n \cos(n\theta) \sin \theta + \sin(n\theta) \cos \theta)) \cdot \frac{-1}{\sin \theta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2^n} \left( 2(n \cos(n\theta) + \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \cos((n-i)\theta) \cdot \cos^i \theta \right) + \cos^n \theta) \right) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } w'_{n+1}(x_0) &= w'_{n+1}(1) = f(0) = \frac{1}{2^n} \left( 2[n \cos(0) + \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \cos(0) \cdot \cos^i(0) \right) + \cos^n(0)] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} (2(n + n-1 + 1)) = \frac{2n}{2^{n-1}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 W'_{n+1}(x_{\bar{i}}) &= f\left(\frac{\bar{i}\pi}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{2^n} \left( -2 \left[ n \cos\left(n \cdot \frac{\bar{i}}{n} \pi\right) \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\bar{i}}{n} \pi\right) + \sin\left(n \cdot \frac{\bar{i}}{n} \pi\right) \cos\left(\frac{\bar{i}}{n} \pi\right) \right] \right) \cdot \frac{-1}{\sin\left(\frac{\bar{i}}{n} \pi\right)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^n} \left( -2 \left[ n \cdot (-1)^{\bar{i}} \cdot 1 - 0 \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\bar{i}}{n} \pi\right) \right] \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^n} \left( 2 n (-1)^{\bar{i}} \right) = \frac{2n (-1)^{\bar{i}}}{2^n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 W'_{n+1}(x_n) &= W'_{n+1}(-1) = f(\pi) = \frac{1}{2^n} \left( 2 \left[ n \cos(n\pi) + \left( \sum_{\bar{i}=1}^{n-1} \cos((n-\bar{i})\pi) \cdot \cos^{\bar{i}} \pi \right) + \cos^n(\pi) \right] \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^n} \left( 2 \left[ n(-1)^n + \left( \sum_{\bar{i}=1}^{n-1} (-1)^{n-\bar{i}} \cdot (-1)^{\bar{i}} \right) + (-1)^n \right] \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^n} \left( 2 \left[ n(-1)^n + n \cdot (-1)^n \right] \right) = \frac{2n(-1)^n}{2^{n-1}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the barycentric weights are  $W_0 = \frac{1}{\sum_{\bar{j}=1}^n (x_0 - x_{\bar{j}})} = \frac{1}{W'_{n+1}(x_0)} = \frac{2^{n-1}}{2n}.$

$$W_{\bar{i}} = \frac{1}{\sum_{\substack{\bar{j}=0, \\ \bar{j} \neq \bar{i}}}^n (x_{\bar{i}} - x_{\bar{j}})} = \frac{1}{W'_{n+1}(x_{\bar{i}})} = \frac{2^n}{2n} (-1)^{\bar{i}} \quad \forall \bar{i} = 1, \dots, n-1.$$

$$W_n = \frac{1}{\sum_{\bar{j}=0}^{n-1} (x_n - x_{\bar{j}})} = \frac{1}{W'_{n+1}(x_n)} = \frac{2^{n-1}}{2n} (-1)^n.$$

After rescaling,  $W_0 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $W_{\bar{i}} = (-1)^{\bar{i}} \quad \forall \bar{i} = 1, \dots, n-1$  and  $W_n = \frac{1}{2} (-1)^n$ .