

Numerics using Chebyshev polynomials

Chebyshev differentiation is another way to solve differential equations.

We interpolate $u(x)$ on $[-1, 1]$ using a polynomial of degree $N+1$ at a specific set of non-evenly spaced grid points which have high density close to the end points:

$$x_k = \cos(k\pi/N) \quad k=0, \dots, N \quad \text{Chebyshev points}$$

Why? For any interpolating polynomial $P(x)$

$$f(x) - P(x) = \frac{\overbrace{(x-x_0) \cdots (x-x_n)}^{q(x)}}{n!} f^{(n)}(c)$$

and these Chebyshev points minimize $|q(x)|$.

Also: Chebyshev interpolation is agnostic about boundary values.

Let $u_k \approx u(x_k)$ and consider the vector $(u_0, u_1, \dots, u_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N+1}$.

Then $D_N = (d_{kl}) \in \mathbb{R}^{(N+1)(N+1)}$

the Chebyshev differentiation matrix. What does it do? It gives the derivative of the appropriate interpolant of the u vector.

Thus

$$D_N u \approx \begin{pmatrix} u'(x_0) \\ u'(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ u'(x_N) \end{pmatrix}$$

with extreme (spectral) accuracy as long as $u(x)$ is sufficiently smooth.

Example

Solve

"DId"

$$u''(x) = f(x) \quad \text{on } (-1, 1)$$

$$u(-1) = u(1) = 0 \quad \text{boundary}$$

Steps

① $u = (u_0, \dots, u_N)$ unknown

$f = (f(x_0), \dots, f(x_N))$ calculated

Then $D_N^2 u = f$

is the correct equation for u_1, \dots, u_{N-1}

But what about the boundary?

We want $u_0 = u_N = 0$.

How to incorporate this into the system? Modify D_N^2 in first & last row!

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ d_{1,0} & d_{1,1} & \dots & d_{1,N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ d_{N-1,0} & d_{N-1,1} & \dots & d_{N-1,N} \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad g = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f(x_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(x_{N-1}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u = A^{-1} g$$

Linear \Rightarrow eventual linear solve

Example $u'' + \lambda u = f \quad u'(-1) = u'(1) = 0$

Again f & u are vectors as above.
Inside the interval

$$(D_N^2 + \lambda I_{N+1}) u = f$$

gives our discretized equation

What about boundary conditions?

We know that

$$D_N u \approx u' \text{ (the derivative approx.)}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{TOP ROW} \\ D_N \\ \text{BOTTOM ROW} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u' \\ u_N' \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{matrix} \text{want } 0 \\ \text{want } 0 \end{matrix}$$

Thus let $A = D_N^2 + \lambda I_{N+1}$

and

now

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{TOP ROW} \\ -a_1 - \\ \vdots - \\ -a_{N-1} - \\ \text{BOTTOM ROW} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{solve}$$

$$\tilde{A} u = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_{N-1} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Example

What about Robin conditions?

Nonlinear \Rightarrow Eventually Newton's Method

"ac robin/d" $\Delta u + \lambda(u - u^3) = 0$ on $\Omega = (-1, 1)$

$$\alpha_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(-1) + \beta_0 u(-1) = \gamma_0$$

$$\alpha_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(1) + \beta_1 u(1) = \gamma_1$$

Idea :

$$f(u) = u - u^3 = \begin{pmatrix} u(x_0) - u(x_0)^3 \\ u(x_1) - u(x_1)^3 \\ \vdots \\ u(x_N) - u(x_N)^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Delta u \approx D_N^2 u$$

Let $A = D_N^2$

$$D_N = \begin{pmatrix} d_{00} & d_{01} & \dots & d_{0N} \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline d_{N0} & d_{N1} & \dots & d_{NN} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 + \alpha_1 d_{00} & \alpha_1 d_{01} & \dots & \alpha_1 d_{0N} \\ \hline & a_1 & & \\ & \vdots & & \\ & & a_{N-1} & \\ \hline -\alpha_0 d_{N0} & -\alpha_0 d_{N1} & \dots & \beta_0 - \alpha_0 d_{NN} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{f} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_{N-1} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve $\tilde{A} u = \tilde{f}$

Example

What about 2D problems

Mixed
Partial

Linear \Rightarrow eventually linear solve
 $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{xy} = f$ on $(-1,1)^2$

with $u=0$ on $\partial\Omega$

Let D_N be the derivative matrix

x = vector of Chebyshev points

Then $[xx, yy] = \text{meshgrid}(x, x)$

is the grid for 2D Chebyshev.

Thus $\overset{u_x}{\text{kron}}(D_N, I) \neq \overset{u_y}{\text{kron}}(I, D_N)$ are
the corresponding matrices for finding

$u_x \neq u_y$.

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{xy}$$

$$\approx (\text{kron}(D_N^2, I) + \text{kron}(I, D_N^2) + \text{kron}(I, D_N) \text{kron}(D_N, I))u$$

Boundary conditions : $u_{k,0} = u_{k,N} = u_{0,l} = u_{N,l} = 0$

How can we insert these :

$\rightarrow b = \text{Find}((\text{abs}(xx) == 1) | (\text{abs}(yy) == 1))$
entries corresponding to boundary elements

$A(b; :) =$ rows of A corresponding to boundary elements.

We want that if u_{kl} is a boundary element, then $u_{kl} = 0$.

Thus replace row $A(b; :)$ with all zeros except a 1 along the diagonal

ie $A(b; :) = \text{zeros}(4 \cdot N, (N+1)^2) \leftarrow \text{zero out}$

Now $A(b, b) = \text{eye}(4N, 4N) \leftarrow \text{add 1 on diagonal}$

$f(b) = \text{zeros}.$

Now $v = A \setminus b$

Example

The "even the kitchen sink" example

2D, Robin boundary conditions

"robin2d" $\Delta u = f \quad (-1,1)^2$

$$u(-1, y) = y^2 - 1, \quad u(1, y) = 1 - y^2$$

$$\alpha_0 \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(x, -1) + \beta_0 u(x, -1) = \gamma_0, \quad \alpha_1 \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(x, 1) + \beta_1 u(x, 1) = \gamma_1$$

Eg $b \times l = \text{Find}(xx == -1)$ etc

Clear out the corresponding rows and
replace them with the appropriate boundary cond.
also replace the appropriate rows of f with
 $ff(b \times l) = -(1 - yy(b \times l) \cdot 12)$

Note conformal mappings

can be used as domain transformations
so as to solve PDEs on non square
domains,