

Chebyshev Expansions for Solutions of Linear Differential Equations

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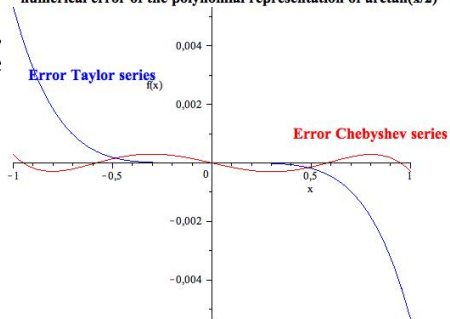
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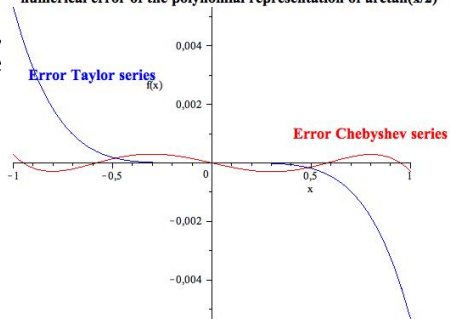
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General case: numerical computation of the integral. [Slow](#).

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Example ($f(x) = \arctan(x/2)$)

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$$def := (4 + x^2) \left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x) \right) + 2x \left(\frac{d}{dx} y(x) \right) \quad (15)$$

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> rec:=Chebyshev:-diffeqto recurrence(def,y(x),t(n))=0;
rec := n t(n) + (36 + 18 n) t(n + 2) + (n + 4) t(n + 4) = 0
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(16)

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> r:=simplify(evalc(allvalues(rsolve({rec,seq(t(i)=1/Pi*int(arctan(x/2)*
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$$r := \begin{cases} 0 & n = 0 \\ \frac{(-2 + \sqrt{5})^{n+1} (\sqrt{5} + 2) \sin\left(\frac{1}{2} n \pi\right)}{n} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

State of the Art

- Clenshaw (1957): numerical scheme to compute the Chebyshev coefficients without computing all these integrals.
- Fox and Parker (1968): method for the computation of the Chebyshev recurrence relations for differential equations of small orders.
- Paszkowski (1975): algorithm for computing the Chebyshev recurrence relation.
- Lewanowicz (1976): algorithm for computing a smaller order Chebyshev recurrence relation in some cases.
- Rebillard (1998): new algorithm for computing the Chebyshev recurrence relation.

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Theorem

If the degrees of p_i are at most k ,

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Next

Laguerre and Hermite polynomials, Bessel functions and other special functions.

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Contributions:

- Use of fractions of recurrence operators.
- New algorithm.
- Maple code.
- Available in the Dynamic Dictionary of Mathematical Functions.

Perspectives:

- Recurrence in other bases (Jacobi, Legendre and Laguerre polynomials, Bessel functions)
- Numerical computation of the coefficients.