nag_1d_cheb_eval (e02aec)

1. Purpose

nag_1d_cheb_eval (e02aec) evaluates a polynomial from its Chebyshev-series representation.

2. Specification

3. Description

This routine evaluates the polynomial

$$\frac{1}{2}a_1T_0(\bar{x}) + a_2T_1(\bar{x}) + a_3T_2(\bar{x}) + \ldots + a_{n+1}T_n(\bar{x})$$

for any value of \bar{x} satisfying $-1 \leq \bar{x} \leq 1$. Here $T_j(\bar{x})$ denotes the Chebyshev polynomial of the first kind of degree j with argument \bar{x} . The value of n is prescribed by the user.

In practice, the variable \bar{x} will usually have been obtained from an original variable x, where $x_{\min} \leq x \leq x_{\max}$ and

$$\bar{x} = \frac{((x - x_{\min}) - (x_{\max} - x))}{(x_{\max} - x_{\min})}$$

Note that this form of the transformation should be used computationally rather than the mathematical equivalent

$$\bar{x} = \frac{(2x - x_{\min} - x_{\max})}{(x_{\max} - x_{\min})}$$

since the former guarantees that the computed value of \bar{x} differs from its true value by at most 4ϵ , where ϵ is the **machine precision**, whereas the latter has no such guarantee.

The method employed is based upon the three-term recurrence relation due to Clenshaw (1955), with modifications to give greater numerical stability due to Reinsch and Gentleman (see Gentleman (1969)).

For further details of the algorithm and its use see Cox (1974), Cox and Hayes (1973).

4. Parameters

nplus1

Input: the number n + 1 of terms in the series (i.e., one greater than the degree of the polynomial).

Constraint: $nplus1 \ge 1$.

a[nplus1]

Input: $\mathbf{a}[i-1]$ must be set to the value of the *i*th coefficient in the series, for $i=1,2,\ldots,n+1$.

xcap

Input: \bar{x} , the argument at which the polynomial is to be evaluated. It should lie in the range -1 to +1, but a value just outside this range is permitted (see Section 6) to allow for possible rounding errors committed in the transformation from x to \bar{x} discussed in Section 3. Provided the recommended form of the transformation is used, a successful exit is thus assured whenever the value of x lies in the range x_{\min} to x_{\max} .

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p

Output: the value of the polynomial.

fail

The NAG error parameter, see the Essential Introduction to the NAG C Library.

5. Error Indications and Warnings

NE_INT_ARG_LT

On entry, **nplus1** must not be less than 1: **nplus1** = $\langle value \rangle$.

NE_INVALID_XCAP

On entry, $abs(xcap) > 1.0 + 4 \epsilon$, where ϵ is the machine precision.

In this case the value of p is set arbitrarily to zero.

6. Further Comments

The time taken by the routine is approximately proportional to n+1.

It is expected that a common use of nag_1d_cheb_eval (e02aec) will be the evaluation of the polynomial approximations produced by nag_1d_cheb_fit (e02adc) and nag_1d_cheb_interp_fit (e02afc).

6.1. Accuracy

The rounding errors committed are such that the computed value of the polynomial is exact for a slightly perturbed set of coefficients $a_i + \delta a_i$. The ratio of the sum of the absolute values of the δa_i to the sum of the absolute values of the a_i is less than a small multiple of $(n+1) \times \mathbf{machine}$ precision.

6.2. References

Clenshaw C W (1955) A note on the summation of Chebyshev series $Math.\ Tables\ Aids\ Comput.\ 9$ 118–120.

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Gentleman W M (1969) An error analysis of Goertzel's (Watt's) method for computing Fourier coefficients *Comput. J.* **12** 160–165.

7. See Also

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nag_1d_cheb_fit (e02adc)
nag_1d_cheb_interp_fit (e02afc)
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8. Example

Evaluate at 11 equally-spaced points in the interval $-1 \le \bar{x} \le 1$ the polynomial of degree 4 with Chebyshev coefficients, 2.0, 0.5, 0.25, 0.125, 0.0625.

The example program is written in a general form that will enable a polynomial of degree n in its Chebyshev-series form to be evaluated at m equally-spaced points in the interval $-1 \le \bar{x} \le 1$. The program is self-starting in that any number of data sets can be supplied.

8.1. Program Text

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/* nag_1d_cheb_eval(e02aec) Example Program
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    */
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#include <nag.h>
    #include <stdio.h>
    #include <nag_stdlib.h>
    #include <nage02.h>
    main()
    {
    #define NMAX 199
    #define NP1MAX NMAX+1
      double xcap;
      double a[NP1MAX], p;
      Integer i, m, n;
      Integer r;
      Vprintf("e02aec Example Program Results \n");
      /* Skip heading in data file */
Vscanf("%*[^\n]");
      while ((scanf("%ld",&m) != EOF))
          if (m > 0)
             {
              Vscanf("%ld",&n);
              if (n \ge 0 \&\& n \le NMAX)
                  for (i = 0; i < n+1; ++i)
                  Vscanf("%lf",&a[i]);
Vprintf("\n R Arg
                                                        Value of polynomial \n");
                                    Argument
                  for (r = 1; r \le m; ++r)
                    {
                      xcap = (double) (2*r - m - 1) / (double) (m - 1);
                      }
              else
                  Vprintf( "Incorrect input value of n.\n");
                  exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
            }
      exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
8.2. Program Data
    e02aec Example Program Data
      11
         2.0000
         0.5000
         0.2500
         0.1250
         0.0625
8.3. Program Results
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e02aec Example Program Results

R	Argument	Value of polynomial
1	-1.0000	0.6875
2	-0.8000	0.6613
3	-0.6000	0.6943
4	-0.4000	0.7433
5	-0.2000	0.7843
6	0.0000	0.8125

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7	0.2000	0.8423
8	0.4000	0.9073
9	0.6000	1.0603
10	0.8000	1.3733
11	1.0000	1.9375

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