

Hints for solving the exercises in Chapter 3

Hints to Exercise 3.1 (a) Use that an existence and uniqueness result similar to that for interpolating polynomials also holds for polynomials in e^{ix} : there exists a unique function of the form $(*) \sum_{k=-N/2}^{N/2} d_k e^{ik2\pi x/L}$ satisfying the interpolating conditions. An application of the Euler formula $e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$ leads to the representation in the exercise.

(b) We have $y_k = \overline{y_k} = \overline{T(x_k)} \dots$. The uniqueness of the interpolating function of the form $(*)$ yields the statement of the exercise.

Hints to Exercise 3.2 (a) The first result in the hint to this exercise is obtained by a summation formula for trigonometric functions, and the second result in the hint to the exercise is obtained by using the Euler formula $e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$. (Multiplication with complex numbers, then backtransformation to real numbers.)

Hints to Exercise 3.3 (a) For each index $j = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ there holds $D_2 w^{(j)} = \lambda_j w^{(j)}$ (verify this for each entry). From $(w^{(j)})^H w^{(\ell)} = \sqrt{N} \delta_{j\ell}$ one then obtains the solution to part (a) of this exercise.

(b) Show that $\mathcal{F}D_2c = M\mathcal{F}c$ for $c \in \mathbb{C}^N$, the statement of the exercise then follows easily.

Hints to Exercise 3.4 Here the following definition of the d_j 's is needed: $[d_0, d_1, \dots, d_{N-1}] := 2T[f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{N-1}]$ with $T = \text{diag}(e^{-ij0\pi/N}, e^{-ij1\pi/N}, \dots, e^{-ijk2\pi/N})$.

(a) Show that

$$d_j = \frac{2}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f_k \cos\left(\pi j \frac{2k+1}{N}\right).$$

The statement of the exercise then follows easily.

(b) Apply part (a) with $f_{N-1-k} := f_k$ for $k = 0, \dots, N/2 - 1$. For the evaluation of $p(x_k)$ use the complex representation and apply the Euler formula. The discrete inverse Fourier transform finally yields $p(x_k) = f_k$.