

*Dedicated to Maria S. Pop on her 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary*

**ON THE CHEBYSHEV METHOD FOR APPROXIMATING  
THE SOLUTIONS OF POLYNOMIAL OPERATOR  
EQUATIONS OF DEGREE 2**

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, the Chebyshev method for approximating the solutions of polynomial operator equations of degree 2 is presented. The convergence of the Chebyshev method is studied.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The polynomial operator equations represent an important class of operator equations [1]. Among them, the polynomial operator equations of degree 2 have a special importance because the convergence hypotheses for the usual methods (Newton method, chord method, Steffensen method, Chebyshev method, etc.) are much simplified compared to the general case [6]. In this note we shall study the convergence of the Chebyshev method for the mentioned equations.

Let  $X$  be a Banach space and consider a mapping  $f : X \rightarrow X$ . We remind that the mapping  $f$  is a polynomial operator of degree two if

- a)  $f$  is three times differentiable;
- b)  $f'''(x) = \theta_3, \forall x \in X$ , where  $\theta_3$  is the trilinear null operator.

## 2. THE CONVERGENCE OF THE CHEBYSHEV METHOD

Consider the equation

$$(2.1) \quad f(x) = \theta,$$

where  $\theta \in X$  is the zero element. Given an initial approximation  $u_0 \in X$  of a solution  $\bar{u}$  of the above equation, the Chebyshev method generates the sequence  $(u_n)_{n \geq 0}$  by

$$u_{n+1} = u_n - \Gamma_n f(u_n) - \frac{1}{2} \Gamma_n f''(u_n) (\Gamma_n f(u_n))^2, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad u_0 \in X$$

where  $\Gamma_n = f'(u_n)^{-1}$ .

Consider  $r > 0$  and denote  $S = \{u \in X : \|u - u_0\| \leq r\}$ . Since  $f'''(x) = \theta_3, \forall x \in X$ , it is clear that  $f''(x)$  does not depend on  $x$ , so we may take  $m_2 = \|f''(x)\|$ .

From the Taylor formula we obtain

$$(2.2) \quad f(u) = f(u_0) + f'(u_0)(u - u_0) + \frac{1}{2} f''(u_0)(u - u_0)^2$$

$$(2.3) \quad f'(u) = f'(u_0) + f''(u_0)(u - u_0).$$

By (2.3) it follows

$$\|f'(u)\| \leq \|f'(u_0)\| + m_2 r, \quad \forall u \in S,$$

which implies

$$(2.4) \quad \sup_{u \in S} \|f'(u)\| \leq \|f'(u_0)\| + m_2 r.$$

Similarly (2.2), leads to

$$(2.5) \quad \sup_{u \in S} \|f(u)\| \leq \|f(u_0)\| + r \|f'(u_0)\| + \frac{1}{2} m_2 r^2.$$

We shall make the following notations:

$$(2.6) \quad m_0 = \|f(u_0)\| + r \|f'(u_0)\| + \frac{1}{2} m_2 r^2$$

$$(2.7) \quad \mu = \frac{1}{2} m_2^2 b^4 \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} m_2 m_0 b^2\right),$$

$$(2.8) \quad v = b \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 m_0 b^2\right),$$

where

$$(2.9) \quad b = \frac{b_0}{1 - m_2 b_0 r} \quad \text{and} \quad b_0 = \|f'(u_0)^{-1}\|.$$

With the above notations, the following result holds:

**Theorem 1.** *If for some  $u_0 \in X$  and  $r > 0$ , the mapping  $f$  satisfies*

- i.  $\exists f'(u_0)^{-1}$ ;
- ii.  $m_2 b_0 r < 1$ ;
- iii. *the numbers  $\mu$  and  $v$  given by (2.7) and (2.8) verify*

$$\rho_0 = \sqrt{\mu} \cdot \|f(u_0)\| < 1 \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{v \cdot \rho_0}{\sqrt{\mu(1-\rho_0)}} \leq r,$$

*then the following relations hold:*

- j. *the sequence  $(u_n)_{n \geq 0}$  generated by the Chebyshev method converges;*
- jj. *denoting  $\bar{u} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n$ , then  $\bar{u} \in S$  and  $f(\bar{u}) = \theta$ ;*
- jjj.  $\|u_{n+1} - u_n\| \leq \frac{v \rho_0^{3^n}}{\sqrt{\mu}}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots;$
- jjv.  $\|\bar{u} - u_n\| \leq \frac{v \rho_0^{3^n}}{\sqrt{\mu(1-\rho_0^{3^n})}}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$

*Proof.* First we shall show that hypothesis *ii*) implies the existence of the application  $f'(u)^{-1}$  for all  $u \in S$  and, moreover,  $\|f'(u)^{-1}\| \leq b$ . Indeed, one has

$$\|f'(u_0)^{-1} (f'(u_0) - f'(u))\| \leq m_2 b_0 r, \quad \forall u \in S.$$

Applying the Banach Lemma and taking into account relation *ii*) it follows the existence of  $f'(u)^{-1}$  for all  $u \in S$  and, moreover,

$$(2.10) \quad \|f'(u)^{-1}\| \leq \frac{b_0}{1-m_2 b_0 r} = b.$$

Denote by  $g$  the mapping  $g : S \rightarrow X$  given by

$$(2.11) \quad g(u) = -\Gamma(u) f(u) - \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(u) f''(u) (\Gamma(u) f(u))^2$$

where  $\Gamma(u) = f'(u)^{-1}$ .

It can be easily seen that for all  $u \in S$ , the following identity holds:

$$\begin{aligned} f(u) + f'(u) g(u) + \frac{1}{2} f''(u) g^2(u) &= \\ &= \frac{1}{2} f''(u) \left( f'(u)^{-1} f(u), f'(u)^{-1} f''(u) (f'(u)^{-1} f(u))^2 \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{8} f''(u) \left( f'(u)^{-1} f''(u) (f'(u)^{-1} f(u))^2 \right)^2, \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$(2.12) \quad \|f(u) + f'(u) g(u) + \frac{1}{2} f''(u) g^2(u)\| \leq \mu \|f(u)\|^3, \quad \forall u \in S.$$

Since  $u_{n+1} = u_n + g(u_n)$ , from the Taylor formula we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_{n+1}) &= f(u_n) + f'(u_n)(u_{n+1} - u_n) + \frac{1}{2}f''(u_n)(u_{n+1} - u_n)^2 \\ &= f(u_n) + f'(u_n)g(u_n) + \frac{1}{2}f''(u_n)g^2(u_n), \end{aligned}$$

and by (2.2),

$$(2.13) \quad \|f(u_{n+1})\| \leq \mu \|f(u_n)\|^3,$$

provided that  $u_n \in S$ . Since  $u_0 \in S$  one obtains

$$\|u_1 - u_0\| = \|g(u_0)\| \leq v \|f(u_0)\| \leq \frac{v\sqrt{\mu}\|f(u_0)\|}{\sqrt{\mu}(1-\rho_0)} = \frac{v\rho_0}{\sqrt{\mu}(1-\rho_0)} \leq r,$$

i.e.  $u_1 \in S$ .

Suppose now that the following relations hold:

- $\alpha$ )  $u_i \in S$ ,  $i = \overline{0, k}$ ;
- $\beta$ )  $\|f(u_i)\| \leq \mu \|(u_{i-1})\|^3$ ,  $i = \overline{1, k}$ .

From  $u_k \in S$  and (2.2) it results

$$(2.14) \quad \|f(u_{k+1})\| \leq \mu \|f(u_k)\|^3$$

and

$$(2.15) \quad \|u_{k+1} - u_k\| \leq v \|f(u_k)\|.$$

Inequality (2.14) leads to

$$\|f(u_i)\| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu}} (\sqrt{\mu} \|f(u_0)\|)^{3^i}, \quad i = \overline{1, k+1}.$$

By (2.13) one gets

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{k+1} - u_0\| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \|u_1 - u_{i-1}\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} v \|f(u_{i-1})\| \\ &\leq \frac{v}{\sqrt{\mu}} \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \rho_0^{3^{i-1}} \leq \frac{v\rho_0}{\sqrt{\mu}(1-\rho_0)}, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $u_{k+1} \in S$ .

It is easy to show that

$$(2.16) \quad \|u_{n+m} - u_n\| \leq \frac{v\rho_0^{3^n}}{\sqrt{\mu}(1-\rho_0^{3^n})}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots, m \in \mathbb{N}$$

and, since  $\rho_0 < 1$ , it follows that the sequence  $(u_n)_{n \geq 0}$  is Cauchy, so it converges. Denoting  $\bar{u} = \lim u_n$ , it is clear that  $f(\bar{u}) = \theta$ . Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.16) leads us to  $jv$ .  $\square$

The Chebyshev method may be applied with the aid of the following algorithm:

Let  $u_n$  be an arbitrary approximation of the solution of (2.1), and which satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 1. The next approximation  $u_{n+1}$  may be obtained by

1. Solve the linear operator equation

$$f'(u_n) p_n = f(u_n),$$

2. Solve the linear operator equation

$$f'(u_n) q_n = f''(u_n) p_n^2$$

3. Compute

$$u_{n+1} = u_n - p_n - \frac{1}{2}q_n.$$

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