

**ALGORITHM 7**

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**EVALUATION OF A TRIGONOMETRIC POLYNOMIAL**

**1. Function declaration.**

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real procedure Foursum (t, n, a, b);
  value t, n;
  integer n;
  real t;
  array a, b;
  comment the function Foursum calculates the value of the tri-
  gonometric polynomial
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$$(1) \quad \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n (a_k \cos kt + b_k \sin kt).$$

**Data:**

*t* — value of the variable in (1),  
*n* — degree of the polynomial (1),  
*a[0 : n]*, *b[1 : n]* — arrays of the coefficients of (1);

**begin**

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  real an, an1, bn, ct, st;
  an := a[n];
  bn := b[n];
  ct := cos(t);
  st := sin(t);
  for n := n-1 step -1 until 1 do
    begin
      an1 := a[n] + an * ct + bn * st;
      bn := b[n] - an * st + bn * ct;
      an := an1
    end n;
  Foursum := .5 * a[0] + an * ct + bn * st
end Foursum
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**2. Method used.** Polynomial (1) is evaluated by use of the following recurrent formulae

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} a_n &= a_n, \quad \beta_n = b_n, \\ a_k &= a_k + a_{k+1} \cos t + \beta_{k+1} \sin t \\ \beta_k &= b_k - a_{k+1} \sin t + \beta_{k+1} \cos t \end{aligned} \quad (k = n-1, n-2, \dots, 1),$$

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + a_1 \cos t + \beta_1 \sin t.$$

For the proof we show by induction that

$$(3) \quad f(t) = \frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^j (a_k \cos kt + b_k \sin kt) + (a_{j+1} \cos(j+1)t + \beta_{j+1} \sin(j+1)t)$$

for  $j = n-1, n-2, \dots, 0$ .

For  $j = n-1$  formula (3) is evident. Since

$$\begin{aligned} a_j \cos jt + b_j \sin jt + a_{j+1} \cos(j+1)t + \beta_{j+1} \sin(j+1)t \\ = (a_j + a_{j+1} \cos t + \beta_{j+1} \sin t) \cos jt + (b_j - a_{j+1} \sin t + \beta_{j+1} \cos t) \sin jt \\ = a_j \cos jt + \beta_j \sin jt, \end{aligned}$$

it follows that if (3) holds for any fixed  $j$ , then it also holds for  $j-1$ . Formula (2) is obtained in the case  $j = 0$ .

If we write

$$\begin{aligned} X_k &= (a_k, \beta_k), \quad A_k = (a_k, b_k) \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots, n, \\ A_0 &= (a_0, 0), \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} \cos t & \sin t \\ -\sin t & \cos t \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

we obtain from (2) a scheme for the evaluation of a matrix polynomial  $A_0 + MA_1 + M^2 A_2 + \dots + M^n A_n$ , analogous to the well-known Horner scheme. Applying to it an argumentation being similar to that one used by Clenshaw [1] for his Chebyshev series summation algorithm, one may prove that there is no danger of any building-up errors in our recurrence process.

The algorithm given in section 1 was probably never published before, though Thacher in [3] had it certainly in mind. Algorithms for separate evaluation of

$$\frac{1}{2} a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \cos kt \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n b_k \sin kt$$

were given by Matthewman [2] and Wells [4].

**3. Verification.** The function *Foursum* was verified on the Odra 1204 computer for the polynomials

$$(4) \quad p_n(t) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^n (\cos kt + \sin kt) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots, 50)$$

and for the values of  $t = 0.1, 0.2, 0.5, 1$  (see Thacher [3]). The results were compared with those calculated from the formulae

$$5) \quad P_n(t) = 1 + \frac{\sin \frac{1}{2}nt}{\sin \frac{1}{2}t} (\cos \frac{1}{2}(n+1)t + \sin \frac{1}{2}(n+1)t).$$

In 165 of the 200 cases the absolute difference of the values was found less than  $10^{-10}$  of the mantissa. The greatest absolute difference was  $348_{10} - 11$  (for  $n = 48$  and  $t = 1$  the evaluation of (4) and (5) resulted in  $-0.790\ 271\ 425\ 62$  and  $-0.790\ 271\ 422\ 14$ , respectively). The greatest relative absolute difference (calculated relative to the value of  $P_n(t)$ ) was found  $1382_{10} - 11$  (for  $n = 43$  and  $t = 1$  formulae (4), (5) have given the values  $0.757\ 237\ 212\ 39_{10} - 2$ ,  $0.757\ 237\ 226\ 21_{10} - 2$ , respectively).

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ALGORYTM 7

#### OBLCZANIE WARTOŚCI WIELOMIANU TRYGONOMETRYCZNEGO

##### STRESZCZENIE

Wartością funkcji *Foursum* jest wartość wielomianu trygonometrycznego (1).

Dane:  $t$  — wartość zmiennej w (1);  $n$  — stopień wielomianu (1);  $a[0:n]$ ,  $b[1:n]$  — tablice współczynników wielomianu (1).

Użyta metoda, korzystająca ze znanych związków rekurencyjnych dla sinusa i kosinusa, jest opisana w § 2. Obliczenia kontrolne (§ 3) wykonano na maszynie cyfrowej Odra 1204.

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**ВЫЧИСЛЕНИЕ ЗНАЧЕНИЙ ТРИГОНОМЕТРИЧЕСКОГО МНОГОЧЛЕНА**

**РЕЗЮМЕ**

Значением функции *Foursum* является значение тригонометрического многочлена (1).

Данные:  $t$  — значение переменной в (1),  $n$  — степень многочлена (1),  $a[0:n]$ ,  $b[1:n]$  — массивы коэффициентов многочлена (1).

Применяется метод основанный на известных рекуррентных соотношениях для синуса и косинуса (§ 2). Контрольные вычисления (§ 3) выполнены на ЭВМ Одра 1204.

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