

Announcements:

- Homework 2 is posted and is due on Tuesday, Oct 1 (1 week from now).
- Solutions to Quiz 1 are posted

Recap: Interpolation

Given $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Can we find a function $f(x)$ st.
 $f(x_1) = y_1, \dots, f(x_n) = y_n$?

I. Lagrange interpolation

II. Cubic splines interpolation

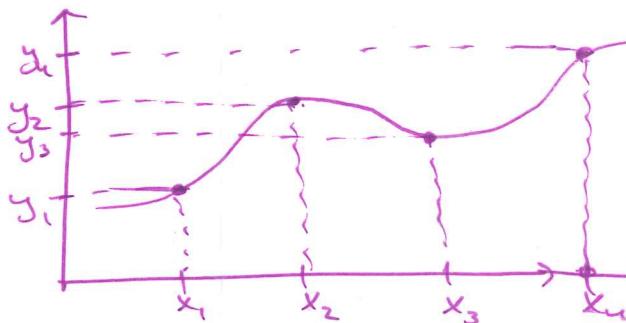
I. Lagrange interpolation.

Find $f(x) = a_1 x^{n-1} + a_2 x^{n-2} + \dots + a_{n-1} x + a_n$
 a polynomial of degree $n-1$.

n unknowns: a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n

n equations: $f(x_1) = y_1, \dots, f(x_n) = y_n$

$$\begin{cases} a_1 x_1^{n-1} + a_2 x_1^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = y_1 \\ a_1 x_2^{n-1} + a_2 x_2^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = y_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_1 x_n^{n-1} + a_2 x_n^{n-2} + \dots + a_n = y_n \end{cases}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^{n-1} & x_1^{n-2} & \cdots & x_1 & 1 \\ x_2^{n-1} & x_2^{n-2} & \cdots & x_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n^{n-1} & x_n^{n-2} & \cdots & x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

↑
unknowns given

Remarks : • A matrix of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^{n-1} & \cdots & x_1 & 1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \\ x_n^{n-1} & \cdots & x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is called a Vandermonde matrix.

• dot $\begin{bmatrix} x_1^{n-1} & \cdots & x_1 & 1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \\ x_n^{n-1} & \cdots & x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)^{\frac{n(n-1)}{2}} \prod_{i>j} (x_i - x_j) \neq 0$

wherever $x_i \neq x_j \quad \forall i \neq j$

\Rightarrow system always has a unique solution

• However, it turns out that Vandermonde systems are often ill-conditioned.

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II. Cubic spline interpolation

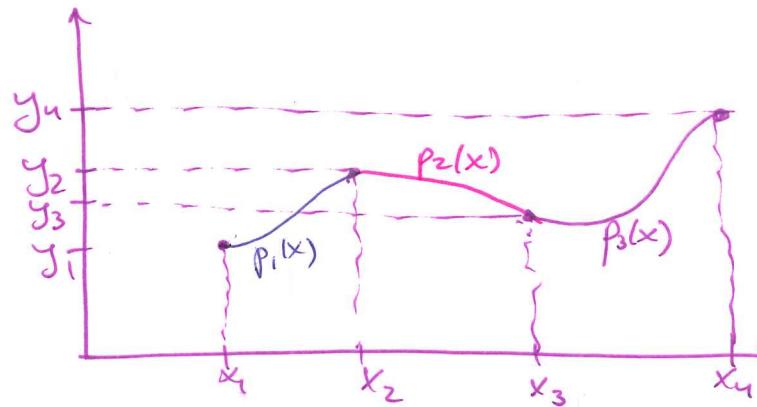
Given $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$

Fit a different polynomial

$$p_j(x) = A_j x^3 + B_j x^2 + C_j x + D_j$$

between x_j and x_{j+1}

$$\forall j=1, \dots, n-1.$$



↪ cubic polynomial. $4(n-1)$ unknowns $\{A_j, B_j, C_j, D_j : j=1, \dots, n-1\}$.

~~additional~~ Impose the following conditions:

(C1) Continuity and interpolation:

~~at x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1}~~ $2(n-1)$ eqs

(C2) Differentiability: $p_j'(x_{j+1}) = p_{j+1}'(x_{j+1}) \quad \forall j=1, \dots, n-2 \quad \forall j=1, \dots, n-1$

(C3) Twice differentiable at x_2, \dots, x_{n-1} : $(n-2)$ eqs

$$p_j''(x_{j+1}) = p_{j+1}''(x_{j+1}) \quad \forall j=1, \dots, n-2. \quad (n-2) \text{ eqs}$$

(C4) Impose $f''(x_1) = f''(x_n) = 0$ 2 eqs

$2(n-1) + (n-2) + (n-2) + 2 = 4(n-1)$ equations

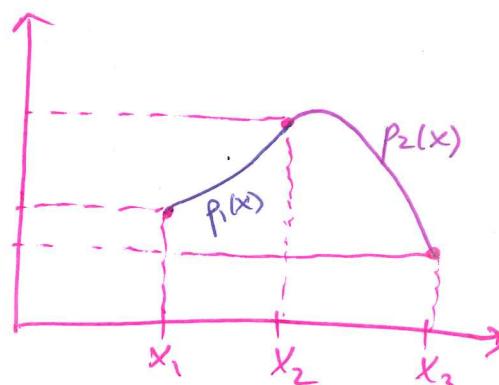
and $4(n-1)$ unknowns.

Example: Set $n=3$. Let's solve.

$$p_1(x) = A_1 x^3 + B_1 x^2 + C_1 x + D_1$$

$$p_2(x) = A_2 x^3 + B_2 x^2 + C_2 x + D_2$$

8 unknowns



$$(C1) \quad p_1(x_1) = y_1$$

$$p_i(x_i) = y_i$$

$$p_1(x_2) = y_2$$

$$p_2(x_2) = y_2$$

$$P_2(x_3) = y_3$$

$$A_1 x_1^3 + B_1 x_1^2 + C_1 x_1 + D_1 = y_1$$

$$A_1 x_2^3 + B_1 x_2^2 + C_1 x_2 + D_1 = y_2$$

$$A_2 x_2^3 + B_2 x_2^2 + C_2 x_2 + D_2 = y_2$$

$$A_3 x_3^3 + B_3 x_3^2 + C_2 x_3 + D_2 = y_3$$

4 legs.

$$(C2) \quad p_1'(x_2) = p_2'(x_2)$$

rewrite

$$3A_1x_2^2 + 2B_1x_2 + C_1 = 3A_2x_2^2 + 2B_2x_2 + C_2 \quad | \text{eq}$$

$$3A_1x_2^2 + 2B_1x_2 + C_1 - 3A_2x_2^2 - 2B_2x_2 - C_2 = 0.$$

$$(C3) \quad p_1''(x_2) = p_2''(x_2)$$

rewrite

$$6A_1x_2 + 2B_1 = 8A_2x_2 + 2B_2$$

leg.

$$6A_1x_2 + 2B_1 - 6A_2x_2 - 2B_2 = 0$$

$$(c_4) \quad p_i''(x_i) = 0$$

$$P_2''(x_3) \geq 0$$

$$6A_1x_1 + 2B_1 = 0$$

2 eq.

$$6A_2x_3 + 2B_2 = 0$$

Let's write the linear system using matrix notation:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccccc|c} x_1^3 & x_1^2 & x_1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & A_1 \\ x_2^3 & x_2^2 & x_2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & B_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_2^3 & x_2^2 & x_2 & C_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_3^3 & x_3^2 & x_3 & D_1 \\ 3x_2^2 & 2x_2 & 1 & 0 & -3x_2^2 & -2x_2 & -1 & 0 \\ 6x_2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -6x_2 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 6x_1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6x_3 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ b \end{array} \right]$$