

Applied Mathematics: an introduction to Scientific Computing by Numerical Analysis

Lecture 06 - Weierstrass approximation theorem and L2 projections

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Interpolation: $I : C^0([a, b]) \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n([a, b])$

I : a set interpolation points $\{a_i\}_{i=0}^n$ *n+1 points*

\mathbb{P}^n : span $\{v_i\}_{i=0}^n$ *(n+1) dimensional space*

$$I : u \longrightarrow p(x) := \left[\left(\underline{V}^{-1} \right) \underline{u} \right]^i v_i(x)$$

$$:= \underline{V}^{i\jmath} \underline{u}(a_\jmath) v_i(x)$$

$$V^{i\jmath} V_{\jmath k} = \delta^i_k \quad (\equiv (V^{-1})_{i\jmath})$$

$$V_{i\jmath} := v_\jmath(a_i)$$

\Rightarrow Lagrange $V_{i\jmath} = \delta_{i\jmath}$

Is interpolation good for approximating functions?

Can we bound $\|u - I^n u\|_{L^\infty([a, b])}$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$?

In general No.

Weierstrass: $\forall f \in C^0([a,b])$, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$
 $\exists p \in \mathcal{P}^n$ s.t. $\|f - p\|_{L^\infty([a,b])} \leq \varepsilon$

proof: Let $B_n: C^0([a,b]) \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}^n$ be s.t.

1) B_n is linear and positive ($f \geq 0 \Rightarrow B_n f \geq 0$)

2) $\|B_n x^i - x^i\|_{L^\infty([a,b])} \rightarrow 0$ $\forall i = 0, 1, 2$

Then $\|B_n f - f\|_{L^\infty([a,b])} \rightarrow 0$

1. $\forall f \in C^0([a,b])$, $\forall x_0 \in [a,b]$
• construct $q^\pm \in \mathcal{P}^2$ s.t.
 $q^-(x) \leq f(x) \leq q^+(x) \quad \forall x \in [a,b]$

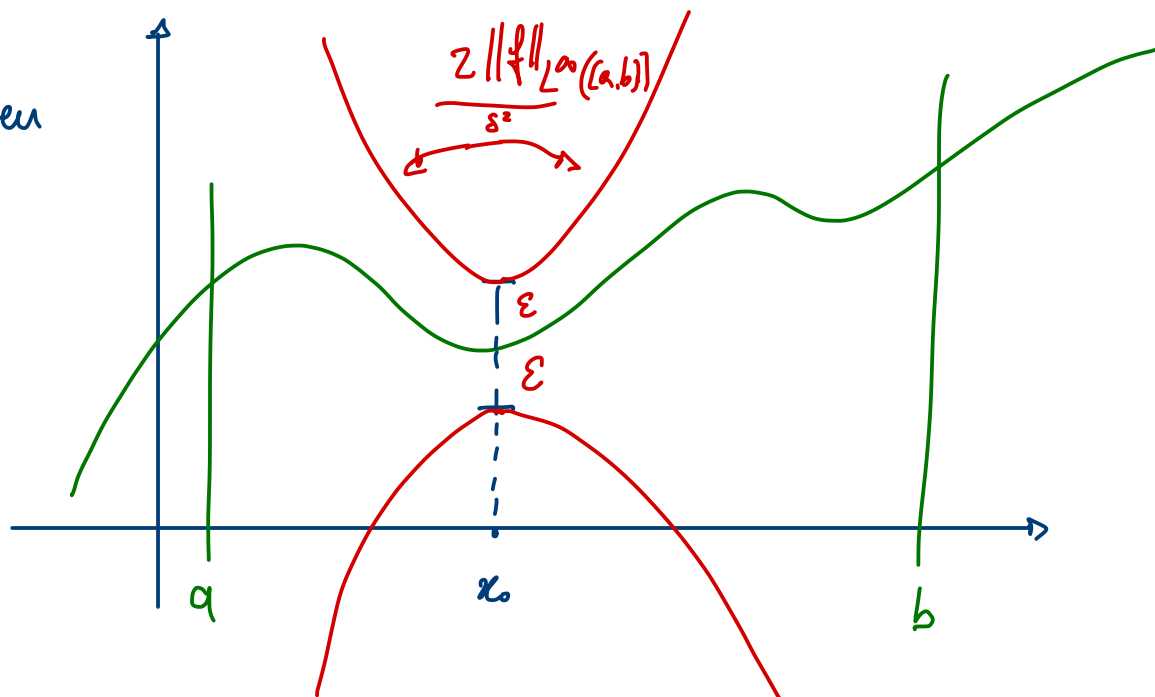
• use $B_n q^\pm \rightarrow q^\pm$
• use $B_n (f - q^-)(x) \geq 0$
 $B_n (q^+ - f)(x) \geq 0$

$f \in C^0([a,b])$, fix $x_0 \in [a,b]$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta_\varepsilon > 0$ s.t. $|x_1 - x_2| < \delta_\varepsilon \Rightarrow |f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \leq \varepsilon$

$$q^\pm := f(x_0) \pm \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{2\|f\|_{L^\infty([a,b])}}{\delta_\varepsilon^2} (x - x_0)^2 \right)$$

ε is given
 \Downarrow
 δ_ε



For varying x_0 , $q^\pm = a_{x_0}^\pm x^2 + b_{x_0}^\pm x + c_{x_0}^\pm$

a^\pm, b^\pm, c^\pm depend on $x_0, \|f\|_{L^\infty([a,b])}, \delta_\varepsilon, \varepsilon$

$$M := \max_{x_0 \in [a,b]} (|a^\pm|, |b^\pm|, |c^\pm|)$$

M will depend on $\|f\|_{L^\infty([a,b])}, \delta_\varepsilon, \varepsilon$
 but NOT on x_0

Choose N large enough s.t.

$$* \quad \|B_n x^i - x^i\|_{L^\infty} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{6M} \quad \forall n \geq N \quad \text{for } i=0,1,2$$

in x_0 :

$$\underbrace{f(x_0) - \varepsilon \leq q^-(x_0) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}}_{\text{Definition of } q^-(x_0)} \leq \underbrace{B_n q^-(x) \leq B_n f(x_0)}_{\text{positivity}}$$

$\exists N$ s.t. , $\forall n \geq N$

$$B_n f \leq B_n q^+ \leq q^+ + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \leq f(x) + \varepsilon$$

$$\|B_n f - f\| \leq \varepsilon$$

Construction of B_n

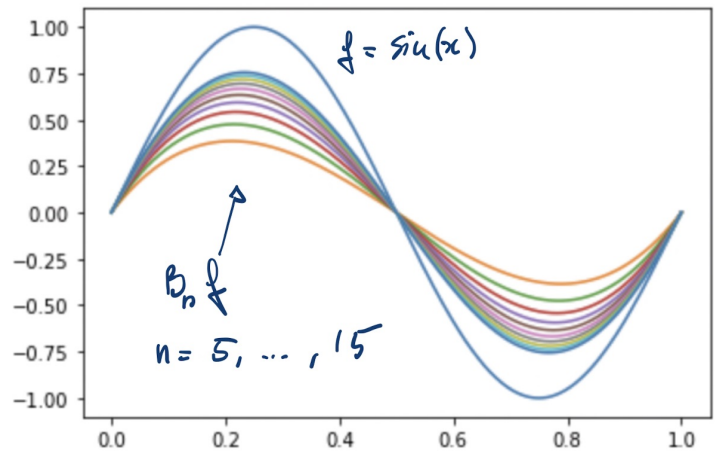
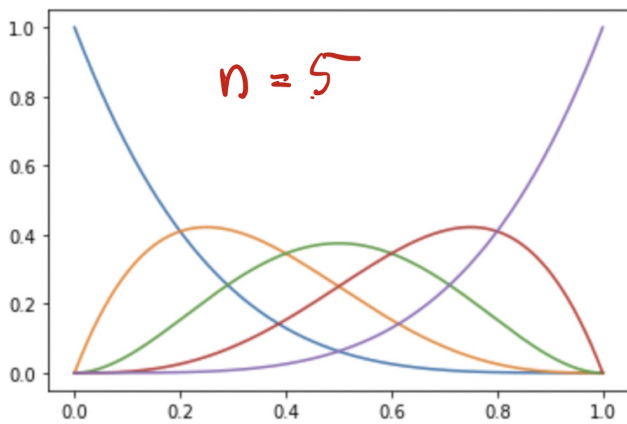
(set $[a,b] = [0,1]$)

$$\left((1-x) + x \right)^n = \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} x^i (1-x)^{n-i}$$

$$\sum b_i^n(x)$$

$$B_n f := \sum_{i=0}^n b_i^n(x) f\left(\frac{i}{n}\right)$$

similar to interpolation, but different!

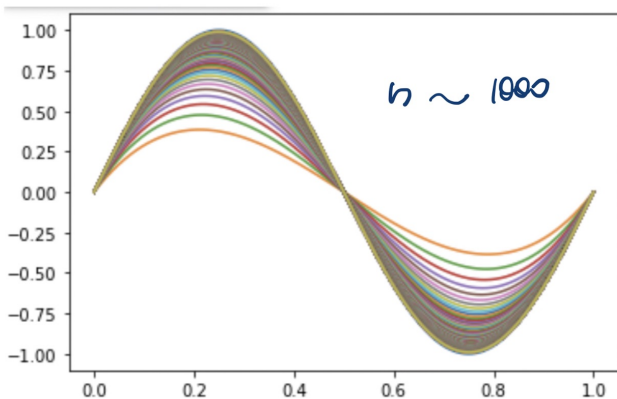


$$B_n 1 = 1$$

$$B_n x = x$$

$$B_n x^2 = \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \right) x^2 + \frac{1}{n} x$$

$$\neq x^2$$



Robust, but slow

Recall definition of Best Approximation.

V : Banach

M : is finite dimensional subspace of V

$p \in M$ is best approximation of $f \in V$

$$\|p - f\|_V \leq \|q - f\|_V \quad \forall q \in M$$

V is strictly convex, then B.A. \exists and it is unique

V is strictly convex if give f, g s.t.

$$\|f\| = \|g\| = 1 \quad \forall \alpha \in (0, 1)$$

$$\|\alpha f + (1-\alpha)g\| < 1$$

V Hilbert $\Rightarrow \exists (\cdot, \cdot)$ scalar product.

and $\|u\|_V := \sqrt{(u, u)} \quad \forall u \in V$

Constructively building B.A.:

Given $u \in V$, find p s.t.

$$(p, q) = (u, q) \quad \forall q \in M \subset V$$

* $(u - p, q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in M \subset V$

$\Rightarrow p \in M$ is b.a. of $u \in V$

$$\|u-p\|_V \leq \|u-q\|_V \quad \forall q \in M$$

Think of $M = \text{span} \{v_i\}_{i=0}^n$ $(u, v) := \int_0^1 uv$

$$V = L^2([0, 1]) = \{v \text{ s.t. } \int_0^1 v^2 dx < \infty\}$$

$$\|u\|_V^2 := \int_0^1 u^2 dx = (u, u)$$

$$p \in M \Rightarrow p = \sum p^i v_i$$

$$(p-u, q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in M \quad \left(\text{same as asking } \forall v_i \text{ in basis} \right)$$

$$(\sum p^j v_j - u, v_i) = 0 \quad \text{for } i=0, \dots, n$$

$$M_{ij} p^j = (u, v_i) = u_i = \int_0^1 u v_i dx$$

$$M_{ij} := (v_j, v_i) \Rightarrow p^j = M^{ji} u_i$$

$$p^j = (M^{-1})^{ji} u_i$$

$$(u-p, q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in M \Leftrightarrow \|u-p\| \leq \|u-q\| \quad \forall q \in M$$

" \Leftarrow " p is b.a. $\Rightarrow (u-p, q) = 0 \quad \forall q \in M$

$$\|u-p\|^2 \leq \|u-p + tq\|^2 \quad \forall t > 0, \forall q \in M$$

$$\|u-p + \frac{t}{2}q + \frac{t}{2}q\|^2 - \|u-p\|^2 \geq 0$$

$$(a + b)^2 - (a-b)^2 = 4ab \geq 0$$

$$4(u-p + \frac{t}{2}q, \frac{t}{2}q) \geq 0$$

$$2t(\mu-p, q) + t^2(q, q) \geq 0$$

$$t > 0$$

$$\underbrace{-t\|q\|^2}_{t > 0} \leq (\mu-p, q) \leq \underbrace{\frac{t}{2}\|q\|^2}_{t < 0}$$

$$\forall t, \forall q$$

$$\Rightarrow (\mu-p, q) = 0$$

$$(\mu-p, q) = 0 \forall q \Rightarrow p \text{ is b.a. of } \mu$$

$$\|\mu-q\|^2 = \|\mu-p+p-q\|^2 = \|\mu-p\|^2 + \|p-q\|^2 + 2(\mu-p, p-q)$$

$$\|\mu-p\|^2 \leq \|\mu-q\|^2 \quad \forall q \in M$$

Apply to polynomials

$$\mathbb{P}^n := \text{span} \{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$$

$$v_i := x^i = \text{pow}(x, i)$$

$$M_{ij} := (v_j, v_i) = \int_0^1 x^j x^i = \frac{1}{1+j+i}$$

Hilbert Matrix. (H)

$$\text{cond}(H_{\text{matrix}}) \approx \frac{(1+\sqrt{2})^{4n}}{\sqrt{n}}$$

What's the best basis for M?

Identity!

$$(v_j, v_i) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

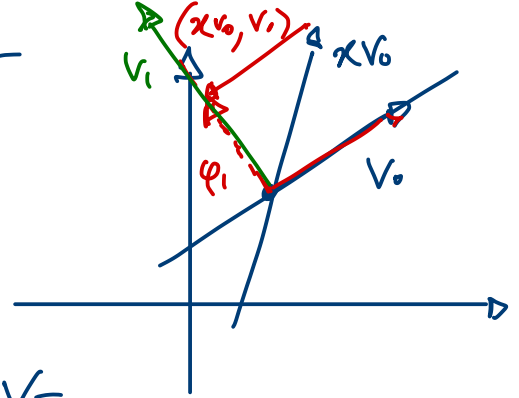
Legendre basis $(v_j, v_i) = \delta_{ij}$

Graham - Schmidt procedure

set $v_0 = 1$

$$\varphi_{i+1} = x v_i - \sum_{j=0}^i (x v_i, v_j) v_j$$

$$v_{i+1} = \frac{\varphi_{i+1}}{\|\varphi_{i+1}\|}$$



Gauss Recursion

$$e_0 := 1 \quad e_1 = x$$

$$[a, b] = [-1, 1]$$

$$(n+1) e_{n+1}(x) = (2n+1) x e_n(x) - n e_{n-1}(x)$$

$$e_n(1) = 1 \quad \forall n$$

$$\|e_n\| \neq 1$$

$$\Pi^n: L^2([a, b]) \longrightarrow \mathcal{P}^n([a, b])$$

$$u \longrightarrow M^{ij}(\mu, v_j) v_i$$

$$M_{ij} = (e_i, e_j) \text{ Legendre:}$$

$$= \|e_i\|^2 \delta_{ij} \quad \text{no sum on } i$$

$$M^{ii} = \frac{1}{\|e_i\|^2} \quad M^{ij} = 0 \quad i \neq j$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{e_i(\mu, e_i)}{\|e_i\|^2}$$

computation?
(μ, e_i)