

## MECH3750 - Tutorial 2

### Question 1.

Suppose you have data  $(x_i, f_i)$  which can be fitted to a quadratic of the form:

$$y(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

The least square error to be minimized is:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (a_0 + a_1x_i + a_2x_i^2 - f_i)^2$$

Show that the solution to this problem satisfies:

$$P^T P \mathbf{a} = P^T \mathbf{f}$$

So that

$$\mathbf{a} = (P^T P)^{-1} P^T \mathbf{f}$$

For a suitable matrix  $P$ , and where  $\mathbf{a}$  is the vector of unknown coefficients  $(a_0, a_1, a_2)$ . In the worksheet, you will be asked to use this formulation.

### Question 2.

(a) Evaluate (by hand) the following integral:

$$\int_0^1 (6x^2 - 6x + 1) e^x \, dx$$

(b) Demonstrate that the functions  $P_1(x) = 2x - 1$  and  $P_2(x) = 6x^2 - 6x + 1$  are orthogonal, by showing that:

$$\int_0^1 P_1(x) P_2(x) \, dx = 0$$

(c) You are given that  $P_0(x) = 1$  and  $P_1(x) = 2x - 1$ . Show how to find a function of the form  $P_2(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ , which satisfies:

$$\int_0^1 P_0(x) P_2(x) \, dx = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^1 P_1(x) P_2(x) \, dx = 0$$

### Question 3. (*formulate in tutorial, code in practical*)

A hot-wire anemometer calibration gave the following voltage velocity points:

$U \text{ (m/s)}$	91.08	85.04	78.54	68.51	58.35	49.63	41.45	34.32
$E \text{ (V)}$	0.8560	0.8414	0.8375	0.8160	0.7977	0.7762	0.7535	0.7347

The model function  $E = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 U + \alpha_2 \sqrt{U}$  is to be fitted to the calibration data using the “least-squares” error criterion.

- (a) Write the design matrix for the given model equation and data points
- (b) Formulate the normal equations in matrix form and obtain values for the coefficients  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2$
- (c) Plot  $E$  vs  $U$  over the range  $35 \text{ m/s} \leq U \leq 90 \text{ m/s}$  for both the original data and the model function

## Additional Practice

### Question 4.

- (a) A function  $f(x)$ , is *odd* if  $f(x) = -f(-x)$  and *even* if  $f(x) = f(-x)$ . Show that  $\sin(x)$  is odd and  $\cos(x)$  is even.
- (b) Demonstrate with the aid of sketches (or analytically) that for any odd function  $f(x)$  and any even function  $g(x)$ . The following identities hold:

$$(i) \int_{-a}^a f(x) \, dx = 0$$

$$(ii) \int_{-a}^a g(x) \, dx = 2 \int_0^a g(x) \, dx$$

$$(iii) \int_{-a}^a f(x)g(x) \, dx = 0$$

$$(iv) \int_{-a}^a f_1(x)f_2(x) \, dx = 2 \int_0^a f_1(x)f_2(x) \, dx \quad f_1, f_2 \text{ odd}$$

### Question 5.

Consider the Legendre polynomials:

$$P_0(x) = 1$$

$$P_1(x) = x$$

$$P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1)$$

$$P_3(x) = \frac{4}{5}(5x^3 - 3x)$$

- (a) Confirm that  $P_1, P_3$  are odd
- (b) Confirm that  $P_0, P_2$  are even
- (c) Use the properties of even and odd functions to evaluate:

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_0 P_0 \, dx \quad \int_{-1}^1 P_0 P_1 \, dx \quad \int_{-1}^1 P_0 P_2 \, dx \quad \int_{-1}^1 P_0 P_3 \, dx$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_1 P_1 \, dx \quad \int_{-1}^1 P_2 P_3 \, dx \quad \int_{-1}^1 P_2 P_2 \, dx$$

**Question 6.**

For the following questions, assume  $m, n \neq 0$ .

(a) Determine the indefinite integral of:

$$\int \cos(mx) \cos(nx) \, dx$$

(b) Use the results of part (a) to evaluate:

$$\int_0^\pi \cos(mx) \cos(nx) \, dx$$

(c) Use the properties of even and odd functions, and the results established in part (b) and lectures to evaluate:

$$\begin{aligned} (i) & \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(mx) \cos(nx) \, dx \\ (ii) & \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(mx) \cos(nx) \, dx \\ (iii) & \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(mx) \sin(nx) \, dx \end{aligned}$$