

• use direct method to find the interpolating polynomial.

$$X: \quad -2 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad 2 \quad 3$$

$$y: \quad 31 \quad 5 \quad 1 \quad 11 \quad 61$$

$$0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4$$

$$y_0 = 31$$

$$y_1 = 31 + a_1(-1+2) \Rightarrow \frac{5-31}{-1} = a_1 = -26 \quad p_1(x) = 31 - 26(x+2)$$

$$y_2 = 31 - 26(0+2) + a_2(0+2)(0+1) \Rightarrow \frac{1+26}{2} = a_2 = 11 \quad p_2(x) = 31 - 26(x+2) + 11(x+2)(x+1)$$

$$y_3 = 31 - 26(2+2) + 11(2+2)(2+1) + a_3(2+2)(2+1)(2-0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{11-59}{(1)(3)(2)} = a_3 = -2$$

$$p_3(x) = 31 - 26(x+2) + 11(x+2)(x+1) - 2(x+2)(x+1)(x-0)$$

$$y_4 = 31 - 26(3+2) + 11(3+2)(3+1) - 2(3+2)(3+1)(3-0) + a_4(3+2)(3+1)(3-0)(3-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{61-1}{(5)(4)(3)(1)} = a_4 = 1$$

$$a_0 = 31 \quad a_1 = -26 \quad a_2 = 11 \quad a_3 = -2 \quad a_4 = 1$$

$$y = 31 + (x+2)(2 + (x+1)(11 + (x-0)(-2 + (x-2)(1))))$$