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$$l_h(x) = \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq h}}^n \frac{x - x_i}{x_h - x_i}$$

$x$	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
$p(x)$	-5	1	1	1	7	25

BY THE UNIQUENESS THEOREM FROM LECTURE NOTES 21 ( $\dots p(x) = l(x) \dots$ ),

$$l_h(x) = \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq h}}^n \frac{x - x_i}{x_h - x_i} = p(x) \quad \text{FOR SOME } n \leq 5,$$

$$x = \{x_0 = -2, x_1 = -1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 1, x_4 = 2, x_5 = 3\}$$

$$p(x) = \{-5, 1, 1, 1, 7, 25\}$$

OTHERWISE  $p(x)$  DOES NOT HAVE DEGREE  $n$

$$\longrightarrow n = 0$$

$$l_h(x) = \emptyset \neq p(x) \longrightarrow 1 \leq n \leq 5$$

$$n = 1$$

$$l_0(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} = \frac{x + 1}{-2 + 1} = -x - 1$$