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**Problem 1**

See Jupyter notebook for code and results.

**Problem 2**

**part a**

Let  $h_i = x_{i+1} - x_i$  and

$$\hat{x}_i = \frac{x - x_i}{h_i}$$

Then the Hermite polynomials are

$$H_0(\hat{x}) = (1 - \hat{x})^2(1 + 2\hat{x})$$

$$H_1(\hat{x}) = \hat{x}^2(3 - 2\hat{x})$$

$$h_0(\hat{x}) = \hat{x}(1 - \hat{x})^2$$

$$h_1(\hat{x}) = \hat{x}^2(\hat{x} - 1)$$

$$H'_0(\hat{x}) = \frac{1}{h_i}(6\hat{x}^2 - 6\hat{x})dx$$

$$H'_1(\hat{x}) = \frac{1}{h_i}(-6\hat{x}^2 - 6\hat{x})dx$$

$$h'_0(\hat{x}) = \frac{1}{h_i}(-3\hat{x}^2 - 4\hat{x} + 1)dx$$

$$h'_1(\hat{x}) = \frac{1}{h_i}(3\hat{x}^2 - 2\hat{x})dx$$

The interpolating polynomials can then be constructed as

$$P_i(\hat{x}) = c_1 H_0(\hat{x}) + c_2 H_1(\hat{x}) + c_3 h_0(\hat{x}) + c_4 h_1(\hat{x}), \quad x \in [x_i, x_i + 1]$$

In order for continuity of both the function and its derivative

$$P_i(x_i) = f_i$$

$$P_i(x_i + 1) = f_{i+1}$$

$$P'_i(x_i) = f'_i$$

$$P'_i(x_i + 1) = f'_{i+1}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
P_i(x_i) &= c_1 H_0(0) + c_2 H_1(0) + c_3 h_0(0) + c_4 h_1(0) = c_1 = f_i \\
P_i(x_{i+1}) &= c_1 H_0(1) + c_2 H_1(1) + c_3 h_0(1) + c_4 h_1(1) = c_2 = f_{i+1} \\
P'_i(x_i) &= c_1 H'_0(0) + c_2 H'_1(0) + c_3 h'_0(0) + c_4 h'_1(0) = \frac{1}{h_i} c_3 = f'_i \\
P'_i(x_{i+1}) &= c_1 H'_0(1) + c_2 H'_1(1) + c_3 h'_0(1) + c_4 h'_1(1) = \frac{1}{h_i} c_4 = f'_{i+1}
\end{aligned}$$

Combining the above equations gives the transformation

$$\begin{aligned}
P_i(x) &= f_i H_0\left(\frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i}\right) + f_{i+1} H_1\left(\frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i}\right) \\
&\quad + (x_{i+1} - x_i) f'_i h_0\left(\frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i}\right) + (x_{i+1} - x_i) f'_{i+1} h_1\left(\frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

#### part b

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### Problem 3

#### part a

$$B_n^i(x) = \binom{n}{i} (1-x)^{n-i} x^i$$

where

$$\binom{n}{i} = \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!}$$

for  $0 \leq i \leq n$ . On the interval  $[0, 1]$ ,  $1-x$ ,  $n-i$ , and  $x$  are all greater than or equal to zero, so the Bernstein polynomials also are greater than or equal to zero.

From the binomial theorem:

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

if  $y = 1-x$  then it is easy to see from the binomial theorem that the sum of the Bernstein Polynomials is

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

**part b**

$$\begin{aligned}
B_i^n(x) &= \binom{n}{i} (1-x)^{n-i} x^i \\
xB_{i-1}^{n-1}(x) &= \binom{n-1}{i-1} (1-x)^{n-i} x^{i-1} \\
(1-x)B_i^{n-1}(x) &= \binom{n-1}{i} (1-x)^{n-i} x^i \\
\binom{n-1}{i-1} &= \frac{(n-1)!}{(i-1)!(n-i)!} = \frac{i}{n} \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!} \\
\binom{n-1}{i} &= \frac{(n-1)!}{i!(n-i-1)!} = \frac{n-i}{n} \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!} \\
\binom{n-1}{i} + \binom{n-1}{i-1} &= \frac{n!}{i!(n-i)!} = \binom{n}{i}
\end{aligned}$$

So then

$$xB_{n-1}^{i-1}(x) + (1-x)B_{n-1}^i(x) = B_n^i(x)$$

**part c**

Let

$$B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i B_i^n$$

be a polynomial of degree  $n$  written in the Bernstein basis with coefficients  $b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n$ . Let  $T \in \mathbb{R}^{(n+1) \times (n+1)}$  be the transformation matrix that converts the coefficients of the Bernstein basis into coefficients of the monomial basis. Then

$$T \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n$  are the coefficients in the monomial basis such that

$$B(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n b_i B_i^n = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i x^i$$

Consider the  $j$ -th term in the Bernstein polynomial sum above.

$$c_j B_j^n = \binom{n}{j} (1-x)^{n-j} x^j$$

Using the binomial theorem to expand  $(1 - x)^{n-j}$  gives

$$c_j B_j^n = c_j \binom{n}{j} x^j \sum_{l=0}^{n-j} \binom{n-j}{l} (-x)^{n-j-l}$$

$$c_j B_j^n = c_j \binom{n}{j} \sum_{l=0}^{n-j} \binom{n-j}{l} (-1)^{n-j-l} x^{n-l}$$

which converts  $B_j^n$  into a sum of the monomial basis vectors where the  $l$ -th term in the sum corresponds to the  $(n-l)$ -th monomial. Then

$$c_i = \sum_{j=0}^n c_j \binom{n}{j} \binom{n-j}{n-i} (-1)^{i-j}$$

From this sum it can be seen that the elements in the transformation matrix  $T$  can be expressed as

$$T_{i,j} = \binom{n}{j} \binom{n-j}{n-i} (-1)^{i-j} \text{ if } j \leq i$$

$$T_{i,j} = 0 \text{ if } j > i$$

where indices  $i, j$  range from 0 to  $n$ .

Further

$$\binom{n}{j} \binom{n-j}{n-1} = \frac{n!}{j!(n-j)!} \frac{(n-j)!}{(n-i)!(n-j-(n-i))!}$$

$$\binom{n}{j} \binom{n-j}{n-1} = \frac{n!}{j!(n-i)!(i-j)!}$$

For example, for  $n = 3$ :

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} T_{0,0} & T_{0,1} & T_{0,2} & T_{0,3} \\ T_{1,0} & T_{1,1} & T_{1,2} & T_{1,3} \\ T_{2,0} & T_{2,1} & T_{2,2} & T_{2,3} \\ T_{3,0} & T_{3,1} & T_{3,2} & T_{3,3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n!}{0!(n-0)!(0-0)!} (-1)^{0-0} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{n!}{0!(3-1)!(1-0)!} (-1)^{1-0} & \frac{3!}{1!(3-1)!(1-1)!} (-1)^{1-1} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{n!}{0!(3-2)!(2-0)!} (-1)^{2-0} & \frac{3!}{1!(3-2)!(2-1)!} (-1)^{2-1} & \frac{3!}{2!(3-2)!(2-2)!} (-1)^{2-2} & 0 \\ \frac{n!}{0!(3-3)!(3-0)!} (-1)^{3-0} & \frac{3!}{1!(3-3)!(3-1)!} (-1)^{3-1} & \frac{3!}{2!(3-3)!(3-2)!} (-1)^{3-2} & \frac{3!}{3!(3-3)!(3-3)!} (-1)^{3-3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & -6 & 3 & 0 \\ -1 & 3 & -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Problem 4

##### part i

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##### part ii

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##### part iv (iii?)

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#### Problem 5

##### part i

This method leads to a system of equations that can be represented as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ x_0 & x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_n \\ x_0^2 & x_1^2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_n^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_0^n & x_1^n & x_2^n & \dots & x_n^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b - a \\ 1/2(b^2 - a^2) \\ 1/3(b^3 - a^3) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{1}{n+1}(b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

The first equation is the transpose of the Vandermonde matrix, and similar to the Vandermonde matrix, this matrix is ill-conditioned so computing quadrature weights with this method could lead to large errors.

##### part ii

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For  $n = 10$  and  $n = 15$  negative weights occur. This is not surprising due to the poor conditioning of the problem.  $n = 10$  and  $n = 15$  also show large error (see part iv results for closer approximations).

##### part iii

Based on our discussion of polynomial interpolation, Chebyshev Points will give better quadrature than equidistant points.

$$x_i = \frac{1}{2}(a + b) + \frac{1}{2}(b - a) \cos\left(\frac{(2i - 1)\pi}{2n}\right)$$

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There are no longer negative weights used for approximations when  $n = 10$  and  $n = 15$ . Results are also more consistent.

##### part iv

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