

Interpolation

- A method to find a function that exactly passes through given data points.

Data points: $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3), \dots$

$$\begin{matrix} x_1, x_2, x_3 & f(x) \rightarrow y \\ f(x_1), f(x_2), f(x_3) \\ y_1, y_2, y_3 \end{matrix}$$

matrix multiplication
resultant

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \times 1$$

Why Polynomials?

- Approximate continuous functions well
- Easy to differentiate/integrate

Applications

- Image & signal processing
- Weather / financial forecasting
- Engineering and Spatial Modeling



Lagrange Interpolating Polynomial

Gives polynomial that passes exactly through n data points, forming polynomial of degree $n-1$.

$$\text{Polynomial} = a_0x^0 + a_1x^1 + a_2x^2 + \dots$$

Q.) Given n data points

① Find L_0, \dots, L_{n-1}

② Calculate $f(x_0), \dots, f(x_{n-1})$

③ Find Polynomial of degree $n-1$: $P(x) = L_0(x)f(x_0) + \dots + L_{n-1}(x)f(x_{n-1})$

Given 2 data points \rightarrow linear interpolation

$$L_0 = \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} f(x_0)$$

$$L_1 = \frac{x - x_0}{x_1 - x_0} f(x_1)$$

Given 3 data points \rightarrow quadratic interpolation

$$L_0 = \frac{(x - x_1)(x - x_2)}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)} f(x_0)$$

$$L_1 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)} f(x_1)$$

$$L_2 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1)}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)} f(x_2)$$

Limitation

- Adding/removing points requires recomputing entire polynomial

Divided Difference

↳ Alternative to Lagrange

- Express how function changes b/w different data points

① Form the divided difference table
ans. for Polynomial

x	$f(x)$	First divided differences	Second divided differences	Third divided differences
x_0	$f[x_0]$			
x_1	$f[x_1]$	$f[x_0, x_1] = \frac{f[x_1] - f[x_0]}{x_1 - x_0}$		
x_2	$f[x_2]$	$f[x_1, x_2] = \frac{f[x_2] - f[x_1]}{x_2 - x_1}$	$f[x_0, x_1, x_2] = \frac{f[x_1, x_2] - f[x_0, x_1]}{x_2 - x_0}$	
		$f[x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_3] - f[x_2]}{x_3 - x_2}$	$f[x_1, x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_2, x_3] - f[x_1, x_2]}{x_3 - x_1}$	$f[x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_1, x_2, x_3] - f[x_0, x_1, x_2]}{x_3 - x_0}$
				$f[x_2, x_3, x_4] = \frac{f[x_4] - f[x_3]}{x_4 - x_3}$

- ① From the divided difference table
 ② From the equation for Polynomial

x_0	$f[x_0]$	$f[x_0, x_1] = \frac{f[x_1] - f[x_0]}{x_1 - x_0}$	$f[x_0, x_1, x_2] = \frac{f[x_1, x_2] - f[x_0, x_1]}{x_2 - x_0}$	$f[x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_1, x_2, x_3] - f[x_0, x_1, x_2]}{x_3 - x_0}$
x_1	$f[x_1]$	$f[x_1, x_2] = \frac{f[x_2] - f[x_1]}{x_2 - x_1}$	$f[x_1, x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_2, x_3] - f[x_1, x_2]}{x_3 - x_1}$	$f[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4] = \frac{f[x_2, x_3, x_4] - f[x_1, x_2, x_3]}{x_4 - x_1}$
x_2	$f[x_2]$	$f[x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_3] - f[x_2]}{x_3 - x_2}$	$f[x_2, x_3, x_4] = \frac{f[x_3, x_4] - f[x_2, x_3]}{x_4 - x_2}$	$f[x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5] = \frac{f[x_3, x_4, x_5] - f[x_2, x_3, x_4]}{x_5 - x_2}$
x_3	$f[x_3]$	$f[x_3, x_4] = \frac{f[x_4] - f[x_3]}{x_4 - x_3}$	$f[x_3, x_4, x_5] = \frac{f[x_4, x_5] - f[x_3, x_4]}{x_5 - x_3}$	
x_4	$f[x_4]$	$f[x_4, x_5] = \frac{f[x_5] - f[x_4]}{x_5 - x_4}$		
x_5	$f[x_5]$			

Q.1) (1, 2) (2, 3) (4, 6)

x	$f(x)$	1st divided Difference	
0	1	2	$\frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = \frac{3 - 2}{2 - 1} = 1$
1	2	3	$\frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{6 - 3}{4 - 2} = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$
2	4	6	

3 data points \rightarrow 2nd Divided difference (Answer in 2 degree)

$$P(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1)$$

$$= 2 + 1(x - 1) + 2(x - 1)(x - 2)$$

5 data points \rightarrow 4th divided difference

4 data points \rightarrow 3rd divided difference (Answer in 3 degree)

$$P(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + b_3(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

Cubic Spline Interpolation

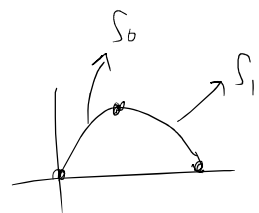
Instead of using one big polynomial, we use piecewise cubic polynomial b/w each pair of data points.

$$S_i(x) = a_i + b_i(x - x_i) + c_i(x - x_i)^2 + d_i(x - x_i)^3$$

① Write Spline equations
 $x_0 = 0$ $x_1 = 1$

$$S_0(x) = a_0 + b_0(x - 0) + c_0(x - 0)^2 + d_0(x - 0)^3$$

$$S_1(x) = a_1 + b_1(x - 1) + c_1(x - 1)^2 + d_1(x - 1)^3$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 1 \quad & S_0(x) = a_0 + b_0(x-0) + c_0(x-0)^2 + d_0(x-0)^3 \\
 2 \quad & 0 \quad S_1(x) = a_1 + b_1(x-1) + c_1(x-1)^2 + d_1(x-1)^3
 \end{aligned}$$

② Apply passes through points

At $x=0, y=0$

$$S_0(0) = a_0 + b_0(0) + c_0(0) + d_0(0) = 0$$

$$a_0 = 0$$

At $x=1, y=1$

$$S_0(1) = a_0 + b_0(1) + c_0(1) + d_0(1) = 1$$

$$b_0 + c_0 + d_0 = 1$$

$$S_1(1) = a_1 + b_1(1-1) + c_1(1-1)^2 + d_1(1-1)^3 = 1$$

$$a_1 = 1$$

At $x=2, y=0$

$$S_1(2) = a_1 + b_1(2-1) + c_1(2-1)^2 + d_1(2-1)^3 = 0$$

$$b_1 + c_1 + d_1 = -1$$

③ Continuity of 1st derivative at $x=1$

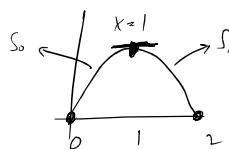
$$S_0'(x) = b_0 + 2c_0x + 3d_0x^2$$

$$S_1'(x) = b_1 + 2c_1(x-1) + 3d_1(x-1)^2$$

$x=1$

$$S_1'(1) = S_0'(1)$$

$$b_1 = b_0 + 2c_0 + 3d_0$$



④ Continuity of 2nd derivative $x=1$

$$S_0''(x) = 2c_0 + 6d_0x$$

$$S_1''(x) = 2c_1 + 6d_1(x-1)$$

$x=1$

$$S_0''(1) = S_1''(1)$$

$$2c_0 + 6d_0 = 2c_1 + 6d_1(1-1)$$

$$c_1 = c_0 + 3d_0$$

⑤ Boundary Condition (Natural)

$$S_0(0)'' = 2c_0 + 6d_0(0) = 0$$

$$= 2c_0 = 0$$

$$c_0 = 0$$

$$S_1(2)'' = 2c_1 + 6d_1(2-1) = 0$$

$$= 2c_1 + 6d_1 = 0$$

⑥ find remaining constant terms with substitutions

$$c_1 = 3d_0$$

$$2(3d_0) + 6d_1 = 0$$

$$6d_0 = -6d_1$$

$$c_1 = 3(-0.5)$$

$$b_0 + d_0 = 1$$

$$d_0 = -d_1$$

$$c_1 = -1.5$$

$$b_1 + c_1 + d_1 = -1$$

$$b_1 + 3d_0 - d_0 = -1$$

$$b_1 + 2d_0 = -1$$

$$b_0 + 3d_0 + 2d_0 = -1$$

$$b_0 + 5d_0 = -1$$

$$b_1 = 1.5 + 3(-0.5)$$

$$b_1 = 0$$

$$\begin{array}{r} b_1 + d_0 = 1 \\ -(b_1 + 5d_0 = -1) \\ \hline -4d_0 = 2 \end{array}$$

$$-4d_0 = 2$$

$$d_0 = -0.5$$

$$b_0 = 1 - d_0$$

$$b_0 = 1.5$$

$[0, 1]$

$[1, 2]$

$$S_0(x) = 0 + 1.5(x-0) + 0(x-0) - 0.5(x-0)^3$$

$$S_1(x) = 1 + 0(x-1) - 1.5(x-1)^2 + 0.5(x-1)^3$$