

1). a)

The basis functions can be defined by .

$$h_1(x) = 1$$

$$h_5(x) = (x - \xi_1)^3$$

$$h_2(x) = x$$

$$h_6(x) = (x - \xi_2)^3$$

$$h_3(x) = x^2$$

$$h_7(x) = (x - \xi_3)^3$$

$$h_4(x) = x^3$$

The model is specified as. ~~any~~ ~~regress~~

$$y = \sum_{m=1}^m \theta_m h_m(x)$$

as in any regression model.

where $m = [1 \dots 7]$

in vector form,

$$y = \theta^T X.$$

where, $X =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \\ (x - \xi_1)^3 \\ (x - \xi_2)^3 \\ (x - \xi_3)^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\theta = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_0 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ \vdots \\ y_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

b). To estimate the parameters of the model, we could use ~~gradient descent~~ or an analytical solution. We shall describe the analytical solution below.

$$y = x\theta + e.$$

$$J(\theta) = \|y - x\theta\|_2^2.$$

$$J(\theta) = (y - \theta x)^T (y - \theta x)$$

$$-x^T y - x^T y + 2x^T x \theta = 0$$

finally,

$$x^T x \theta = x^T y.$$

$$\hat{\theta} = (x^T x)^{-1} x^T y$$