

Lagrange Interpolation Method

This program is used to find the $f(x)$ of a function f at particular x using lagrange interpolation .
The program is:

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>

float l(float xi,float x[32],int j,int n); /* function returns  $l_i(x)$  */
/*****Main function begins*****/
int main(int argc,char *argv[])
{
    float x[32],xi = 0,f[32],p = 0; /* x[32] ,f[32] is the array of x and f(x) respectively */
    int n,i = 0,j = 0; /* i and j are used to maintain count */
    if (argc != 2) {
        printf("Syntax:./lagrange n(n is the no. of values of x)\n");
        exit(1);
    }
    n = atoi(argv[1]); /* n is the no. of values of x */
    printf("Enter x value:");
    scanf("%f",&xi); /* xi is the value for which root is to be found */
    /**** The below loop takes x value and f(x) ****/
    while (i != n) {
        printf("Enter x_%d =",i);
        scanf("%f",&x[i]);
        printf("Enter f(x_%d) =",i);
        scanf("%f",&f[i]);
        i++;
    }
    /**** p is the value of the function at xi ****/
    while (j != n) {
        p = p + (l(xi,x,j,n)*f[j]); /* p is initialized to 0 when j = i  $p = p_i + l_i(x)f(x)$   $p_i$  is the previously obtained p */
        j++; /* increments count */
    }
    printf("f(%f) = %f\n",xi,p); /* prints the function value at xi */
}
/*****Main function ends*****/
float l(float xi,float x[32],int j,int n) {
    float a = 1,b = 1;
    int i = 0;
    while (i != n) {
        if (i == j) {
            i = i + 1;
            if (i == n) {
                return (a/b);
            }
        }
        a = (a*(xi - x[i])); /* a will be equal to product of  $(x - x_j)$  where  $j \neq k$  at  $l_k$  */
        b = (b*(x[j] - x[i])); /* b will be equal to product of  $(x_k - x_j)$  where  $j \neq k$  at  $l_k$  */
        i++; /* increments count */
    }
}
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}
printf("l[%d] = %f\n",j,a / b); /* prints l value */
return (a / b); /* returns l value */
}

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when input is:

./lagrange 4 (there are 4 x's and f(x)'s)

X	5	6	9	11
F(X)	12	13	14	16

To find F(10) :

Output:

$l[0] = 0.166667$

$l[1] = -0.333333$

$l[2] = 0.833333$

$f(10.000000) = 14.666666$

$l_i = l[i]$

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X	1	2	3	4
F(X)	1	8	27	64

To find F(2.5) :

Output:

$l[0] = -0.062500$

$l[1] = 0.562500$

$l[2] = 0.562500$

$f(2.500000) = 15.625000$