

# Lecture 34: Numerical Analysis (UMA011)

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## Least Square Approximation Method:

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Suppose that the data points are  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ , where  $x_i$  are the independent variable and  $y_i$  are the dependent variable.

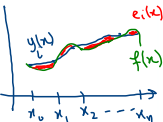
Let  $\check{e}_i = y_i - f(x_i)$  be the error at each data points.

According to the method of least squares, the best fitting curve

has the property that  $\sum_{i=0}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - f(x_i))^2$  is minimum.

let  $E = \sum_{i=0}^n e_i^2$  be minimized.  
 $= E(a, b, c, \dots)$

$$y_i = f(x_i)$$



$$f(x)$$

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$$P_n(x)$$

$$|f(x) - P_n(x)|$$

$$= e(x)$$

## Least Square Approximation Method:

### Least Square fit of a straight line:

Suppose that the data points are  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ . Let  $f(x) = a + bx$ , where  $a, b$  are the constants to be determined to the given data.

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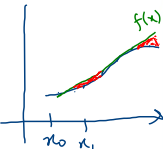
$$e_i = y_i - f(x_i) = y_i - (a + bx_i) \Rightarrow E = \sum_{i=0}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - (a + bx_i))^2.$$

We need to find  $a$  and  $b$  such that error  $E$  is minimum.

The necessary condition for minimum is  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 0$  and  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0$

Here  $E$  is  
 $E(a, b)$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 2 \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - (a + bx_i)) (-1) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 2 \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - (a + bx_i)) (-x_i) = 0$$



$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - (a + bx_i)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -(n+1)a + \sum_{i=0}^n y_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i = 0 \quad - (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sum_{i=0}^n a &= a \sum_{i=0}^n 1 \\ &= a(n+1) \end{aligned}$$

$$4 \quad \frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^n (x_i y_i - a x_i - b x_i^2) = 0$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^n x_i y_i - a \sum_{i=0}^n x_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 = 0$$

-(2)

$$\left[ -a(n+1) + \sum_{i=0}^n y_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i = 0, \quad \sum_{i=0}^n x_i y_i - a \sum_{i=0}^n x_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 \right] \rightarrow \text{Normal equations}$$

Solve these equations to get  $a, b$ .

## Least Square Approximation Method:

### Least Square fit of a quadratic polynomial line:

Suppose that the data points are

$(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ . Let  $f(x) = a + bx + cx^2$ , where  $a, b, c$  are the constants to be determined to the given data.

Now residuals is given by  $e_i = y_i - f(x_i) =$

$$y_i - (a + bx_i + cx_i^2) \Rightarrow E = \sum_{i=0}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - (a + bx_i + cx_i^2))^2.$$

We need to find  $a, b$  and  $c$  such that error  $E$  is minimum.

The necessary condition for minimum is  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 0, \frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0$  and

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial c} = 0$$

here  
 $E(a, b, c)$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - (a + bx_i + cx_i^2)) (-1) = 0$$

$$-(n+1)a + \sum_{i=0}^n y_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i - c \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \sum_{i=0}^n ((y_i - (a + bx_i + cx_i^2)) (-x_i)) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^n x_i y_i - a \sum_{i=0}^n x_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 - c \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^3 = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial c} = 0 \Rightarrow 2 \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i - (a + bx_i + cx_i^2)) (-x_i^2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 y_i - a \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^3 - c \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^4 = 0 \quad (3)$$

①, ②, ③ are called normal equations.

4 Solve these eq<sup>n</sup>s to get  $a, b$  &  $c$ .

## Least Square Approximation Method:

### Example:

Obtain the least square **straight line** and **quadratic polynomial** fit to the following data:

$$a + bx$$

$$a + bx + cx^2$$

$$a + bx + cx^2$$

$x$	5	10	15	20
$f(x)$	16	19	23	26

### Solution:

To find straight line

$i$	$x_i$	$f(x_i) = y_i$	$x_i y_i$	$x_i^2$
0	5	16	80	25
1	10	19	190	100
2	15	23	345	225
3	20	26	520	400
$\sum x_i = 50$		$\sum y_i = 84$	$\sum x_i y_i = 1135$	$\sum x_i^2 = 750$



By using least square app. method

$$-a(n+1) + \sum_{i=0}^n y_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i = 0, \quad \sum_{i=0}^n x_i y_i - a \sum_{i=0}^n x_i - b \sum_{i=0}^n x_i^2 = 0$$

$$-4a + \sum_{i=0}^3 y_i - b \sum_{i=0}^3 x_i = 0, \quad \sum_{i=0}^3 x_i y_i - a \sum_{i=0}^3 x_i - b \sum_{i=0}^3 x_i^2 = 0$$

$$-4a + 84 - 50b = 0, \quad 1135 - 50a - 750b = 0$$

$$4a + 50b = 84,$$

$$50a + 750b = 1135.$$

on solving these eq's, we get  $a = 0.68$   
 $b = 12.5$

so, best fitting line is  $f(x) = \underline{0.68 + 12.5x}$ .

To find 2nd degree poly. ✓

$i$	$x_i$	$y_i$	$x_i y_i$	$x_i^2$	$x_i^3$	$x_i^4$	$x_i^2 y_i$
0	5	16	80	25	125	625	400
1	10	19	190	100	1000	10000	1900
2	15	23	345	225	3375	50625	5175
3	20	26	520	400	8000	160000	10400
$\Sigma x_i = 50$		84	1135	750	12500	221250	17875

Use least square app. normal eqn for quadratic poly.

$$-4a + 84 - b(50) - c(750) = 0 \Rightarrow 4a + 50b + 750c = 84 \quad (1)$$

$$1135 - a(50) - b(750) - c(12500) = 0 \Rightarrow 50a + 750b + 12500c = 1135 \quad (2)$$

$$4 \quad 17875 - a(750) - b(12500) - c(221250) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 750a + 12500b + 221250c = 17875$$

Solve these three eqns to get  $a, b, c$

## Least Square Approximation Method:

### Exercise:

- 1 Use the method of least squares to fit the **linear and quadratic polynomial** to the following data.

$x$	-2	-1	0	1	2
$f(x)$	15	1	1	3	19