



Numerical Methods

Lab 7 - Least Square Method - Polyfit

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POLYNOMIAL CURVE FITTING USING LEAST SQUARE METHOD

THEORY:

Consider k sets of data $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_k, y_k)$. Then we can determine a best fit polynomial equation of degree n ,

$$y = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3 + \dots + c_nx^n \quad \text{--- (0)}$$

using the least square method of curve fitting.

Using least square method, we obtain the equations,

$$\sum y = nc_0 + c_1 \sum x + c_2 \sum x^2 + \dots + c_n \sum x^n \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\sum xy = c_0 \sum x + c_1 \sum x^2 + c_2 \sum x^3 + \dots + c_n \sum x^{n+1} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\sum x^n y = c_0 \sum x^n + c_1 \sum x^{n+1} + c_2 \sum x^{n+2} + \dots + c_n \sum x^{2n} \quad \text{--- (n)}$$

Solving these equations,

we can obtain $c_0, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$ and hence determine the best fit polynomial equation (0).

Now, writing eqⁿ (1), (2), ..., (n) in matrix form, we get,

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum x & \sum x^2 & \dots & \sum x^n \\ \sum x & \sum x^2 & \sum x^3 & \dots & \sum x^{n+1} \\ \sum x^2 & \sum x^3 & \sum x^4 & \dots & \sum x^{n+2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum x^n & \sum x^{n+1} & \sum x^{n+2} & \dots & \sum x^{2n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum y \\ \sum xy \\ \sum x^2 y \\ \vdots \\ \sum x^n y \end{bmatrix}$$

The augmented matrix can be written as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum x^0 & \sum x & \sum x^2 & \dots & \sum x^n \\ \sum x & \sum x^2 & \sum x^3 & \dots & \sum x^{n+1} \\ \sum x^2 & \sum x^3 & \sum x^4 & \dots & \sum x^{n+2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum x^n & \sum x^{n+1} & \sum x^{n+2} & \dots & \sum x^{2n} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum x^0 y \\ \sum x^1 y \\ \sum x^2 y \\ \vdots \\ \sum x^n y \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, this

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \sum x^0 & \sum x & \sum x^2 & \dots & \sum x^n & : & \sum x^0 y \\ \sum x & \sum x^2 & \sum x^3 & \dots & \sum x^{n+1} & : & \sum x^1 y \\ \sum x^2 & \sum x^3 & \sum x^4 & \dots & \sum x^{n+2} & : & \sum x^2 y \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & : & \vdots \\ \sum x^n & \sum x^{n+1} & \sum x^{n+2} & \dots & \sum x^{2n} & : & \sum x^n y \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, using this augmented matrix, the solution can be easily found out using methods like Gauss Jordan Method.

Algorithm:

1. Input no. of data (n), degree of polynomial (m) and data pairs (x_n, y_n) .
2. Construction of augmented matrix (A) of order $(m+1) \times (m+2)$

For $i = 0$ to $m+1$

$$A_{i, m+2} = 0$$

For $j = 0$ to $m+1$

$$A_{i, j} = 0$$

For $k = 0$ to n

$$\text{sum} = 0$$

For $p = 0$ to n

$$\text{sum} = \text{sum} + x_p^{(i+j)}$$

Next p

$$A_{i, j} = A_{i, j} + \text{sum}$$

Next k

Next j

For $k = 0$ to n

$$\text{sum} = 0$$

For $p = 0$ to n

$$\text{sum} = \text{sum} + (x_p^i) * y_p$$

Next p

$$A_{i, m+2} = A_{i, m+2} + \text{sum}$$

Next k

Next i

3. Solution of augmented matrix using Gauss Jordan Method
(Say order of augmented matrix is $n \times (n+1)$)

For $j = 1$ to n

For $i = 1$ to n

if $i \neq j$, then

$$c = A_{ij} / A_{jj}$$

For $k = 1$ to $n+1$

$$A_{ik} = A_{ik} - c * A_{jk}$$

Next k

End if

Next i

Next j

Let c_0, c_1, \dots, c_m be the required solution

For $i = 0$ to n

$$c_i = A_{i, n} / A_{i, i}$$

Next i

4. End

SOURCE CODE:

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

#define MAXSIZE 20

typedef struct {
    float x;
    float y;
} Data;

float matrix[MAXSIZE][MAXSIZE];
Data data[MAXSIZE];

float sumn (uint32_t cap, uint32_t orders) {
    float sum = 0;
    for (uint32_t i = 0; i < cap; i++) {
        sum += powf(data[i].x, orders);
    }
    return sum;
}

float sumny (uint32_t cap, uint32_t orders) {
    float sum = 0;
    for (uint32_t i = 0; i < cap; i++) {
        sum += powf(data[i].x, orders) * data[i].y;
    }
    return sum;
}
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void enterData(uint32_t cap, uint32_t order) {
    for (uint32_t i=0; i<cap; i++) {
        printf("Enter x-%d, y-%d: ", i, i);
        scanf("%f%f", &data[i].x, &data[i].y);
    }

    for (uint32_t i=0; i<order+1; i++) {
        matrix[i][order+1] = 0;
        for (uint32_t j=0; j<order; j++) {
            matrix[i][j] = 0;
            for (uint32_t k=0; k<cap; k++) {
                matrix[i][j] += sumn(cap, i+j);
            }
        }
        for (uint32_t k=0; k<cap; k++) {
            matrix[i][order+1] += sumny(cap, i);
        }
    }
}

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void eliminate (uint32_t i, uint32_t j, uint32_t order) {
    float c = matrix[i][j] / matrix[j][j];
    for (uint32_t k=j; k<=order; k++) {
        matrix[i][k] -= c * matrix[j][k];
    }
}

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void gaussJordan (uint32_t order) {
    for (uint32_t j=0; j<order; j++) {
        for (uint32_t i=0; i<order; i++) {
            if (i!=j) {
                eliminate(i, j, order);
            }
        }
    }

    float value[order];
}

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printf("y ="),
for (uint32_t i=0; i<order; i++){
    value[i] = matrix[i][order] / matrix[i][i];
    printf("%.4f * x ^ %.d", value[i], i);
    if (i != order-1){
        printf(" + ");
    }
}
printf("\n");
}

int main() {
    uint32_t order, cap;
    printf("Enter the no of unknowns and order of equation: ");
    scanf("%.d %.d", &cap, &order);
    gaussJor
    enterData(cap, order);
    gaussJordan(order+1);
    return 0;
}

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TEST CASES:

Case ①: Polynomial eqⁿ of order 2

Enter the no. of unknowns and order of equation: 5 2

Enter x-0, y-0: 0 1

Enter x-1, y-1: 1 3

Enter x-2, y-2: 2 7

Enter x-3, y-3: 3 13

Enter x-4, y-4: 4 21

$$y = 1.0000 * x^0 + 1.0000 * x^1 + 1.0000 * x^2$$

Case ②: Polynomial equation of order 3

Enter the no. of unknowns and order of equation: 5 3

Enter x_0, y_0 : 2 1

Enter x_1, y_1 : 4 5

Enter x_2, y_2 : 7 9

Enter x_3, y_3 : 4 8

Enter x_4, y_4 : 5 6

$$y = -27.1695 \times x^0 + 22.5524 \times x^1 + -4.9339 \times x^2 + 0.3500 \times x^3$$

Case ③: Polynomial equation of order 4

Enter the no. of unknowns and order of equation: 5 4

Enter x_0, y_0 : 15 14

Enter x_1, y_1 : 25 48

Enter x_2, y_2 : 75 409

Enter x_3, y_3 : 85 1456

Enter x_4, y_4 : 255 25589

$$y = -708.9996 \times x^0 + 89.4067 \times x^1 + -3.2642 \times x^2 + 0.0378 \times x^3 + -0.0001 \times x^4$$

DISCUSSION:

We were assigned to write a program that finds the best fit polynomial curve to a given dataset using least square method. For that purpose, a program is written in C through Visual Studio Code and then compiled using GCC/GNUC Compiler. Different test data were given and the output was noted, which was as expected, which showed that the program worked.

CONCLUSION:

In this way, polynomial curve fitting was implemented using least square method.