



**Government Engineering College, Thrissur**  
**MA202 - PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTIONS, TRANSFORMS**  
**AND NUMERICAL METHODS**  
**Assignment -**  
**Lagrange's Interpolation Formula**

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1.] Interpolate the value of function corresponding to  $x=4$  using Lagrange's interpolation formula from the following set of data.

$$x=4$$

x	$x_0=2$	$x_1=3$	$x_2=5$	$x_3=8$	$x_4=12$
f(x)	10	15	25	40	60

$$P_0 = \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)(x-x_4)}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)(x_0-x_3)(x_0-x_4)} f(x_0)$$

$$= \frac{(4-3)(4-5)(4-8)(4-12)}{(2-3)(2-5)(2-8)(2-12)} 10$$

$$= -\frac{16}{9}$$

$$P_1 = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)(x-x_4)}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)(x_1-x_3)(x_1-x_4)} f(x_1)$$

$$= \frac{(4-2)(4-5)(4-8)(4-12)}{(3-2)(3-5)(3-8)(3-12)} 15$$

$$= \frac{32}{3}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_3)(x-x_4)}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)(x_2-x_3)(x_2-x_4)} f(x_2)$$

$$= \frac{(4-2)(4-3)(4-8)(4-12)}{(5-2)(5-3)(5-8)(5-12)} 25$$

$$= \frac{800}{63}$$

$$P_3 = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2)(x-x_4)}{(x_3-x_0)(x_3-x_1)(x_3-x_2)(x_3-x_4)} f(x_3)$$

$$= \frac{(4-2)(4-3)(4-5)(4-12)}{(8-2)(8-3)(8-5)(8-12)} 40$$

$$= -\frac{16}{9}$$

$$P_4 = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)}{(x_4-x_0)(x_4-x_1)(x_4-x_2)(x_4-x_3)} f(x_4)$$

$$= \frac{(4-2)(4-3)(4-5)(4-8)}{(12-2)(12-3)(12-5)(12-8)} 60 = \frac{4}{21}$$

$$f(4) = P_0 + P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + P_4 = 20$$

2.] The population of Mississippi during three census period was as follows. Interpolate the population during 1966.

Year	1951	1961	1971
Population	2.8	3.2	4.5

Solution

x	$x_0$	$x_1$	$x_2$
f(x)	2.8	3.2	4.5

Taking scale as  $\frac{1}{10}$ . 1966 will be  $x=1.5$

$$P_0 = \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2)}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)} f(x_0)$$

$$= \frac{(1.5-1)(1.5-2)}{(0-1)(0-2)} 2.8 = -\frac{7}{20}$$

$$P_1 = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_2)}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)} f(x_1)$$

$$= \frac{(1.5-0)(1.5-2)}{(1-0)(1-2)} 3.2 = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)} f(x_2)$$

$$= \frac{(1.5-0)(1.5-1)}{(2-0)(2-1)} 4.5 = \frac{27}{16}$$

$$f(x=1.5) = 3.7375$$

Population in 1966 is 3.7375



3] Estimate  $f(5)$  using Lagrange interpolation formula

	$x_0$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
$x$	1	2	3	4	6	8	10
$f(x)$	2	2.5	7	10.5	12.75	13	13

$$x = 5$$

$$P_0 = \frac{(x - x_1)(x - x_2)(x - x_3) \dots (x - x_6)}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2) \dots (x_0 - x_6)} f(x_0)$$

$$= \frac{(5-2)(5-3) \dots (5-10)}{(1-2)(1-3) \dots (1-10)} \cdot 2$$

$$= \frac{-2}{21}$$

$$P_1 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_6)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2) \dots (x_1 - x_6)} f(x_1)$$

$$= \frac{(5-1)(5-3) \dots (5-10)}{(2-1)(2-3) \dots (2-10)} \cdot 2.5$$

$$= \frac{25}{32}$$

$$P_2 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_6)}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) \dots (x_2 - x_6)} f(x_2)$$

$$= \frac{(5-1)(5-2) \dots (5-10)}{(3-1)(3-2) \dots (3-10)} \cdot 7 = -6$$

$$P_3 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_6)}{(x_3 - x_0)(x_3 - x_1) \dots (x_3 - x_6)} f(x_3)$$

$$= \frac{(5-1)(5-2) \dots (5-10)}{(4-1)(4-2) \dots (4-10)} \cdot 10.5 = \frac{10.5}{8}$$

$$P_4 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_6)}{(x_4 - x_0)(x_4 - x_1) \dots (x_4 - x_6)} f(x_4)$$

$$= \frac{(5-1)(5-2) \dots (5-10)}{(6-1)(6-2) \dots (6-10)} \cdot 12.75 = \frac{153}{32}$$

$$P_5 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_5)}{(x_5 - x_0)(x_5 - x_1) \dots (x_5 - x_5)} f(x_5)$$

$$= \frac{(5-1)(5-2) \dots (5-10)}{(8-1)(8-2) \dots (8-10)} \cdot 13 = \frac{-13}{28}$$

$$P_6 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_5)}{(x_6 - x_0)(x_6 - x_1) \dots (x_6 - x_5)} f(x_6)$$

$$= \frac{(5-1)(5-2) \dots (5-8)}{(10-1)(10-2) \dots (10-8)} \cdot 13 = \frac{13}{336}$$

$$f(5) = P_0 + P_1 + P_2 + \dots + P_6$$

$$= 12.1667$$

4] Refer to pressure-volume data use Lagrange interpolation to estimate the volume  $V$  at  $P = 1.2 \text{ atm}$

	$x_0$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$
$P(\text{atm})$	0.969	1.090	1.341	1.605
$V(\text{L})$	25	22.2	18	15

$$x = 1.2$$

$$P_0 = \frac{(x - x_1)(x - x_2)(x - x_3)}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)(x_0 - x_3)} f(x_0)$$

$$= \frac{(1.2 - 1.090)(1.2 - 1.341)(1.2 - 1.605)}{(0.969 - 1.090)(0.969 - 1.341)(0.969 - 1.605)} \cdot 25$$

$$= -5.485565$$

$$P_1 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2)(x - x_3)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)(x_1 - x_3)} f(x_1)$$

$$= \frac{(1.2 - 0.969)(1.2 - 1.341)(1.2 - 1.605)}{(1.090 - 0.969)(1.090 - 0.969)(1.090 - 1.605)} \cdot 22.2$$

$$= 18.722884$$

$$P_2 = \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_3)}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)(x_2 - x_3)} f(x_2)$$

$$= \frac{(1.2 - 0.969)(1.2 - 1.090)(1.2 - 1.605)}{(1.341 - 0.969)(1.341 - 1.090)(1.341 - 1.605)} \cdot 18$$

$$= 7.514699$$



$$P_3 = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2)}{(x_3-x_0)(x_3-x_1)(x_3-x_2)} f(x_3)$$

$$= \frac{(1.2-0.969)(1.2-1.090)(1.2-1.341)}{(1.605-0.969)(1.605-1.090)(1.605-1.341)} \cdot 1.5$$

$$= -0.621508$$

$$f(1.2) = 20.1305107$$

Volume at  $P = 1.2 \text{ atm}$  is  
20.1305

$$P_7 = -0.0780866$$

$$P_8 = 0.2625275$$

$$P_9 = 0.00409761$$

$$P_{10} = 0$$

$$f(0.15) = 0.343404$$

Vapour pressure at liquid mole fraction 0.15 is 0.343404 atm

5] Consider the vapor-liquid equilibrium mole fraction data below for the binary system of methanol and water at 1 atm

	$x_0$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$
x	1	0.880	0.765	0.653	0.545
y	1	0.929	0.849	0.764	0.673
	$x_5$	$x_6$	$x_7$	$x_8$	
x	0.443	0.344	0.25	0.159	
y	0.575	0.471	0.359	0.241	
	$x_9$	$x_{10}$			
x	0.072	0			
y	0.114	0			

Determine the vapor mole fraction of methanol (y) considering corresponding to the liquid mole fraction of methanol of  $x = 0.15$  by Lagrange's interpolation.

$$P_0 = \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2) \dots (x-x_{10})}{(x_0-x_1) \dots (x_0-x_{10})} f(x_0)$$

$$= 5.606 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$P_1 = -0.000727$$

$$P_2 = 0.0041946$$

$$P_3 = -0.0147607$$

$$P_4 = 0.03547577$$

$$P_5 = -0.0615777$$

$$P_6 = 0.0799273$$