

# Homework 5

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## Problem 1

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**Question:** Show that the coefficients  $A$  and  $B$  for the least-squares line can be computed as follows. First compute the means  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$ , and then perform the calculations. (**Hint**, Use  $X_k = x_k - \bar{x}$ ,  $Y_k = y_k - \bar{y}$  and first find the line  $Y = AX$ )

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N x_k \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N y_k \quad \text{for } \{(x_k, y_k)\}_{k=1}^N \\ C &= \sum_{k=1}^N (x_k - \bar{x})^2, \quad A = \frac{1}{C} \sum_{k=1}^N (x_k - \bar{x})(y_k - \bar{y}), \quad B = \bar{y} - A\bar{x}\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

## Problem 2

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**Question:**

(a) Derive the normal equation for finding the least-squares linear fit through the origin  $y = Ax$ .

(b) Derive the normal equation for finding the least-squares power fit  $y = Ax^3$ .

b Derive the normal equation for finding the least-squares fit  $y = Ax^3 + B$

## Problem 3

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**Question:** For each set of data, find the least-squares curve:

(a.1)  $f(x) = Ce^{Ax}$ , by using the change of variables  $X = x$ ,  $Y = \ln(y)$  and  $C = e^B$  from Table 5.6 (Textbook Page 269) to linearize the data points A.

(a.2)  $f(x) = Cx^A$ , by using the change of variables  $X = \ln(x)$ ,  $Y = \ln(y)$  and  $C = e^B$  from Table 5.6 (Textbook Page 269) to linearize the data points A.

(a.3) Use  $E_2(f)$  to determine which curve (a.1, a.2) gives the best fit.

$$\text{data points A : } (x_k, y_k) = \{(1, 0.6), (2, 1.9), (3, 4.3), (4, 7.6), (5, 12.6)\} \tag{2}$$

(b.1)  $f(x) = Ce^{Ax}$ , by using the change of variables  $X = x$ ,  $Y = \ln(y)$  and  $C = e^B$  from Table 5.6 to linearize the data points B.

(b.2)  $f(x) = 1/(Ax + B)$ , by using the change of variables  $X = x$ ,  $Y = 1/y$  from Table 5.6 to linearize the data points B.

(b.3) Use  $E_2(f)$  to determine which curve (b.1, b.2) gives the best fit.

$$\text{data points } B : (x_k, y_k) = \{(-1, 6.62), (0, 3.94), (1, 2.17), (2, 1.35), (3, 0.89)\} \quad (3)$$

## Problem 4

**Question:** The least-squares plane  $z = Ax + By + C$  for the  $N$  points  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N, z_N)$  is obtained by minimizing  $E(A, B, C) = \sum_{k=1}^N (Ax_k + By_k + C - z_k)^2$ . Derive the normal equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{k=1}^N x_k^2\right)A + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N x_k y_k\right)B + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N x_k\right)C &= \sum_{k=1}^N z_k x_k, \\ \left(\sum_{k=1}^N x_k y_k\right)A + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N y_k^2\right)B + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N y_k\right)C &= \sum_{k=1}^N z_k y_k, \\ \left(\sum_{k=1}^N x_k\right)A + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N y_k\right)B + NC &= \sum_{k=1}^N z_k. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

## Problem 5

**Question:** Find the natural cubic spline that passes through the points  $(-3, 2), (-2, 0), (1, 3), (4, 1)$  with the free boundary conditions  $S''(-3) = 0$  and  $S''(4) = 0$ .

## Problem 6

**Question:** Find the parabolically terminated cubic spline that passes through the points  $(-3, 2), (-2, 0), (1, 3), (4, 1)$ .

## Problem 7

**Question:**

(a) Using the nodes  $x_0 = -2$  and  $x_1 = 0$ , determine whether  $f(x) = 2x^3 - x$  is its own clamped cubic spline on the interval  $[-2, 0]$ .

(b) Using the nodes  $x_0 = -2, x_1 = 0$  and  $x_2 = 2$ , show that  $f(x) = x^3 - x$  is its own clamped cubic spline on the interval  $[-2, 2]$ . *NOTE:*  $f$  has an inflexion point at  $x_1$ .

(c) Use the results from part (b) to show that any third-degree polynomial,  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$  is its own clamped cubic spline on any closed interval  $[a, b]$ .

(b) What, if anything, can be said about the other four types of cubic splines described in Lemmas 5.2-5.5 from Textbook Page 285-287.

## Problem 8

$$\begin{aligned}
a_0 &= \frac{1}{P} \int_{-P}^P f(x) dx \\
a_j &= \frac{1}{P} \int_{-P}^P f(x) \cos\left(\frac{j\pi x}{P}\right) dx \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots \\
b_j &= \frac{1}{P} \int_{-P}^P f(x) \sin\left(\frac{j\pi x}{P}\right) dx \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots
\end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

**Question:** For a periodic function  $f(x)$  with period  $2P$ ,  $f(x + 2P) = f(x)$ , we have Euler's formulas (5) and (6) for  $f$  as illustrated above. Please use the above equations to find the Fourier series representations of the given function. Graph  $f(x)$ ,  $S_4(x)$  and  $S_6(x)$  on the same coordinate system.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{for } -3 \leq x < -1 \\ x & \text{for } -1 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & \text{for } 1 \leq x < 3 \end{cases} \tag{6}$$

## Problem 9

**Question:** Show that

$$(a) P''(0) = N(N-1)(P_2 - 2P_1 + P_0)$$

$$(b) P''(1) = N(N-1)(P_N - 2P_{N-1} + P_{N-2})$$

## Problem 10 (Programming)

Please submit executable files, and append your programming result in your homework.

**ATTENTION :** Existing python/matlab packages (i.e., `sympy.solve`, `matlab fsolve...`) are NOT ALLOWED

**Question:** The distance  $d_k$  that a car traveled at time  $t_k$  is given in the following table. Use Program 5.3 with the first derivative boundary conditions  $S'(0) = 0$  and  $S'(8) = 98$ , and find the clamped cubic spline for the points.

$$(t_k, d_k) = \{(0, 0), (2, 40), (4, 160), (6, 300), (8, 480)\} \tag{7}$$

## Problem 11 (Programming)

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**Question:** Modify Program 5.3 to find the (a) natural, (b) extrapolated, (c) parabolically terminated, or (d) endpoint curvature-adjusted cubic splines for a given set of points.