

CS370: Interpolation

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See figure 2.1

$$y = p(x)$$

We want to find a function p , such that the curve is 'nice' (where nice is piecewise polynomial or polynomial)

Given:

$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ n points $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$

Find a polynomial $P(x)$ of degree $< n$

In general:

$$p(x) = c_1 + c_2x + c_3x^2 + \dots + c_nx^{n-1}$$

$$p(x_1) = y_1$$

$$p(x_2) = y_2$$

...

$$p(x_n) = y_n$$

n unknowns, n equations (linear)

Example:

$(-1, 1), (1, 1), (2, 5), (4, 1)$

See figure 2.2

$$p(x) = c_1 + c_2x + c_3x^2 + c_4x^3$$

$$p(-1) = c_1 - c_2 + c_3 - c_4 = 1$$

$$p(1) = c_1 + c_2 + c_3 + c_4 = 1$$

$$p(2) = c_1 + 2c_2 + 4c_3 + 8c_4 = 5$$

$$p(4) = c_1 + 4c_2 + 16c_3 + 64c_4 = 1$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 & 16 & 64 & 1 \end{array} \right\} // \text{ Solve the matrix!!}$$

Now we are just writing out the solution...

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= c_1 + c_2x + c_3x^2 + c_4x^3 \\ &= 1 + b_2(x-1) + b_3(x-1)^2 + b_4(x-1)^3 \\ &= L_1(x) + L_2(x) + 5L_3(x) + L_4(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$L_1(x) = \frac{(x-1)(x-2)(x-4)}{-30}$$

$$L_2(x) = \frac{(x+1)(x-2)(x-4)}{6}$$

$$L_3(x) = \frac{(x+1)(x-1)(x-4)}{-6}$$

$$L_4(x) = \frac{(x+1)(x-1)(x-2)}{30}$$

I think we are writing it out this way so that we can easily plug in the values and get the correct points??

Question:

1. Does an interpolating polynomial always exist?
2. If (1) is true then is the answer always unique?

$$p(x) = c_1 + c_2x + \dots c_n x^{n-1}$$

$$p(x_1) = c_1 + c_2x_1 + \dots c_n x_1^{n-1}$$

$$p(x_2) = c_1 + c_2x_2 + \dots c_n x_2^{n-1}$$

...

$$p(x_n) = c_1 + c_2x_n + \dots c_n x_n^{n-1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \dots & x_1^{n-1} \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \dots & x_2^{n-1} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \dots & x_n^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \dots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \dots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

The first matrix is the vandermonde (V) matrix.

V is invertible, $V \times \vec{c} = \vec{y}$

$\det V \neq 0$ and $\det V = \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j) \neq 0$ for $i < j$

Remember what a determinate is, remember what invertible is, but we will never be asked to do it.

$p(x)$

$$p(x) = q_1(x)(x - x_1) + y_1$$

$$p(x) = q_2(x)(x - x_2) + y_2$$

...

$$p(x) = q_n(x)(x - x_n) + y_n$$

Lagrange Polynomial

$$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \dots (x_n, y_n)$$

$$p(x) = y_1 L_1(x) + y_2 L_2(x) + \dots + y_n L_n(x)$$

$L_i(x_i) = 1, L_i(x_j) = 0$ for $i \neq j$ and $\deg(L_i) = n - 1$

Lets construct L_1 using the above

$$L_1(x) = \frac{(x - x_2)(x - x_3) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_1 - x_2)(x_1 - x_3) \dots (x_1 - x_n)}$$

$$L_i(x) = \frac{(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{i-1})(x - x_{i+1}) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_i - x_1) \dots (x_i - x_{i-1}) \dots (x_i - x_n)}$$

$L_i(x_i) = 1$ and $L_j(x_j) = 0$ where $j \neq i$

For A1 Q3 (January 13th) - figuring out the solution to the recurrence - and using the answer to help

$$?? \boxed{I_n} \leftarrow I_{n-1} \leftarrow I_{n-2} \leftarrow \dots \leftarrow I_0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{\hat{I}_n} &\leftarrow I_{n-1} \leftarrow \dots \leftarrow \hat{I}_1 \leftarrow \hat{I}_0 \\ e_n &\leftarrow e_{n-1} \leftarrow \dots \leftarrow e_1 \leftarrow e_0 \\ e_n &= (-\alpha)^n e_0 \\ I_n? &= formula(I_0) =\end{aligned}$$

Using p?

$$??\boxed{p_n} \leftarrow p_{n-1}p_{n-2}, p_{n-2}p_{n-3}, \dots, p_1, p_0$$

$p_n = as^n + bt^n$ and a, b depend on p_0, p_1

$$\sqrt{\hat{p}_n} \leftarrow p_{n-1}\hat{p}_{n-2}\dots, \hat{p}_1\hat{p}_0$$

This line but with hats (I got lazy) $p_n = as^n + bt^n$ and a, b depend on p_0, p_1
solve for e_n

Recall from Jan 11th: (regoing over the start of this page)

Lagrange Form (again)

For x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n distinct, construct $L_1(x), L_2(x) \dots L_n(x)$
Satisfying:

1. $L_i(x)$ has degree $n-1$
2. $L_i(x_i) = 1$
3. $L_i(x_j) = 0$ if $i \neq j$

How do we construct this:

$$L_1(x) = \frac{(x - x_2)(x - x_3) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_1 - x_2)(x_1 - x_3) \dots (x_1 - x_n)}$$

We divide like this in order to get an equation that satisfies that if we plug in x_1 we will end up getting 1 as required, otherwise we will be getting a 0.
This is actually pretty cool. Neat!

$$L_i(x) = \frac{(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{i-1})(x - x_{i+1}) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_i - x_1) \dots (x_i - x_{i-1})(x_i - x_{i+1}) \dots (x_i - x_n)}$$

$$p(x) = y_1 L_1(x) + y_2 L_2(x) + \dots + y_n L_n(x)$$

$$p(x_1) = y_1 1 + y_2 0 + \dots + y_n 0 = y_1$$

...

$$p(x_n) = y_1 0 + y_2 0 + \dots + y_n 1 = y_n$$

A question that he often has asked on midterms (and is almost 100% going to add it to ours):

Given: x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 as $-1, 1, 2, 117, 412$

Form $p(x) = L_1(x) + L_2(x) + L_3(x) + L_4(x)$

Write $p(x) = c_1 + c_2 x + c_3 x^2 + c_4 x^3$

Draw the graph!

Solve for the 4 numbers, and find what is y at each of the 4 points?

Then we find out that $f(x) = 1$ for each

Therefore the solution is $p(x) = 1$

Cubic Hermite Interpolation

Another type of interpolation

Given: (x_L, y_L) more on the left side and (x_R, y_R) on the right side, S_L slope of the left side, and S_R the slope of the right side

$p(x)$ has degree at most 3 since we have 4 unknowns

$$p(x_L) = y_L, p(x_R) = y_R, p'(x_L) = S_L, p'(x_R) = S_R$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= c_1 + c_2(x - x_L) + c_3(x - x_L)^2 + c_4(x - x_L)^3 & p'(x) &= c_2 + 2c_3(x - x_L) + 3c_4(x - x_L)^2 \\ p(x_L) &= y_L \implies c_1 = y_L & p'(x_L) &= S_L \implies c_2 = S_L \\ c_1 + c_2 \Delta x + c_3 \Delta x^2 + c_4 \Delta x^3 &= y_R & p'(x_R) &= S_R \implies c_2 + 2c_3 \Delta x + 3c_4 \Delta x^2 = S_R \end{aligned}$$

where $\Delta x = x_R - x_L$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & Y_L \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & S_L \\ 1 & \Delta x & \Delta x^2 & \Delta x^3 & Y_R \\ 0 & 1 & 2\Delta x & 3\Delta x^2 & S_L \end{array} \right\}$$

becomes

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & Y_L \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & S_L \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{3Y'_R - 2S_L - S_R}{\Delta x} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \frac{S_R + S_L - 2y'_L}{\Delta x^2} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$c_1 = y_L$$

$$c_2 = S_L$$

$$c_3 = \frac{3Y'_R - 2S_L - S_R}{\Delta x}$$

$$c_4 = \frac{S_R + S_L - 2y'_L}{\Delta x^2}$$

Sub into p(x)

$$p(x) = 3 - (x - 1) + 3(x - 1)^2 - (x - 1)^3$$

From Jan 16th:

See image Interp1.1: He is showing that the polynomial (red line) could be bad, we want the green line instead.

Cubic Spline

Given: $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N)$ N points

$$x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{N-1} < x_N$$

A cubic spline is a function $S(x)$ defined on the interval $[x_1, x_N]$ which satisfies the following:

(see interp1.2 figure)

1. In each interval $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$ $S(x)$ is a cubic polynomial. $S_i(x) = a_i + b_i(x - x_i) + c_i(x - x_i)^2 + d_i(x - x_i)^3$
2. $S(x)$ interpolates the N points: $S(x_i) = y_i$

3. $S'(x)$ is continuous
4. $S''(x)$ is continuous
5. 2 other things??

Is this well defined?

How many unknowns? 4 per interval, $N-1$ intervals $\rightarrow 4N - 4$ unknowns

How many conditions (equations)?

Condition(2) $\rightarrow 2$ equations per interval $\rightarrow 2N - 2$

$S_i(x_i) = y_i$ and $S_i(x_{i+1}) = y_{i+1}$

Condition(3) - 1 equation per interior point $\rightarrow N - 2$

Condition(4) - 1 equation per interior point $\rightarrow N - 2$

In total we get $4N - 6$ equations

Boundary Conditions

1. Natural cubic spline $S''(x_1) = 0, S''(x_N) = 0$
2. Clamped cubic spline $S'(x_1) = s_1$ and $S'(x_N) = s_N$ s_1, s_N are known
3. Periodic Cubic spline $S'(x_N) = S'(x_1)$ and $S''(x_N) = S''(x_1)$
4. Not-a-knot condition (Matlab default) $S'''(x)$ is continuous at x_2 and x_{N-1}

How do we compute a cubic spline?

Method 1:

Have $4N - 4$ unknowns and $4N - 4$ linear equations \rightarrow solve via Gaussian elimination

This is a cost of: $O((4N - 4)^3) = O(N^3)$

Method 2:

Think of the derivatives S_1, S_2, \dots, S_N as the unknowns. We will set up linear equations for these derivatives

Then:

1. This will give us $S_1(x), S_2(x), \dots, S_{N-1}(x)$

2. We will solve linear system in $O(N)$ operations

Given: $(-2,1), (0,0), (1,3), (4,-1), (5,2)$

Clamped

(Figure Interp1.3)

$S(x) =$

$$a_1 + b_1(x + 2) + c_1(x + 2)^2 + d_1(x + 2)^3 \text{ for } -2 \leq x \leq 0$$

$$a_2 + b_2x + c_2x^2 + d_2x^3 \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$a_3 + b_3(x - 1) + c_3(x - 1)^2 + d_3(x - 1)^3 \text{ for } 1 \leq x \leq 4$$

$$a_4 + b_4(x - 4) + c_4(x - 4)^2 + d_4(x - 4)^3 \text{ for } 4 \leq x \leq 5$$

16 unknowns and 16 equations

$$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 0, a_3 = 3, a_4 = -1$$

$$a_1 + 2b_1 + 4c_1 + 8d_1 = 0$$

$$a_2 + b_2 + c_2 + d_2 = 3$$

✓

✓

$$b_1 + 4c_1 + 12d_1 = b_2$$

$$2c_1 + 12d_1 = 2c_2$$

✓

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$$b_1 = 1$$

$$b_4 = 2c_4 + 3d_4 = 0$$

Go and do the assignment question that looks like this

Generic example:

Given: $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_N, y_N)$

let $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_N$ denote the derivative values of the spline $S(x)$ at the points.

These are unknowns, but they exist.

Figure interp1.4

figure interp1.5 is a blown up of X_i

$$S_i(x) = a_i + b_i(x - x_i) + c_i(x - x_i)^2 + d_i(x - x_i)^3$$

$$a_i = y_i$$

$$b_i = s_i$$

$$c_i = \frac{3y'_i - 2s_i - s_{i+1}}{\Delta x_i}$$

$$d_i = \frac{s_i + s_{i+1} - 2y'_i}{\Delta x_i^2}$$

$$\Delta x_i = x_{i+1} - x_i$$

$$Y'_i = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i}$$

Additional information:

$$S'''(x_1) = 0, S''_1(x_2) = S''_2(x_2), S''_2(x_3) = S''_3(x_3), \dots, S''_{N-2}(x_{N-1}) = S''_{N-1}(x_{N-1}), S''_{N-1}(x_N) = 0$$

Equation 1:

$$2c_1 = 0 \text{ ie. } \frac{3y'_1 - 2s_1 - s_2}{\Delta x_1} = 0$$

$$2s_1 + s_2 = 3y'_1$$

We now want to set up a linear set of equations for the esses

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ \dots & \\ \dots & \\ \dots & \\ \dots & \\ \dots & \\ * & * \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ s_3 \\ \dots \\ s_{n-1} \\ s_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} * \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ * \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_{N-1} + 3d_{N-1}(x_N - x_{N-1}) = 0$$

$$3Y'_{N-1} - 2S_N - 1 - S_N + 3(S_{N-1} + S_N - 2Y'_{N-1}) = 0$$

He deleted things on the bottom :(((

$$S_{N-1} + 2S_N = 3Y'_{N-1}$$

$$(x_i) = S''_i(x_i)$$

For $i = 2, 3, \dots, N - 1$

$$= 2c_i$$

$$= \frac{2(3Y'_i - 2s_i - s_{i+1})}{\Delta x_i}$$

$$S''_{i-1}(x) = 2c_{i-1} + 6d_{i-1}(x - x_{i-1})$$

$$S_{i-1}(x) = a_{i-1} + b_{i-1}(x - x_i) + c_{i-1}(x - x_{i-1})^2 + d_{i-1}(x - x_{i-1})^3$$

$$c_{i-1} + 3d_{i-1}\Delta x_{i-1}$$

$$\Delta x_i((3Y'_{i-1} - 2s_{i-1} - s_i) + 3(s_{i-1} + s_i - 2y'_{i-1})) = (3Y'_i - 2s_i - s_{i-1})\Delta x_{i-1}$$

$$\Delta x_i S_{i-1} + 2(\Delta x_i + \Delta x_{i-1})S_i$$

$$\Delta x_{i-1} S_{i+1} = 3y'_{i-1} \Delta x_i + 3y'_i \Delta x_{i-1}$$

The above is assignment question 5, but like wtf is going on...

Object is to find values for the S's in the matrix...

From Jan 20th

See slides.