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# MATH2089

## Numerical Methods

### Lecture 6

Interpolation and  
Polynomial Approximation,  
Curve Fitting

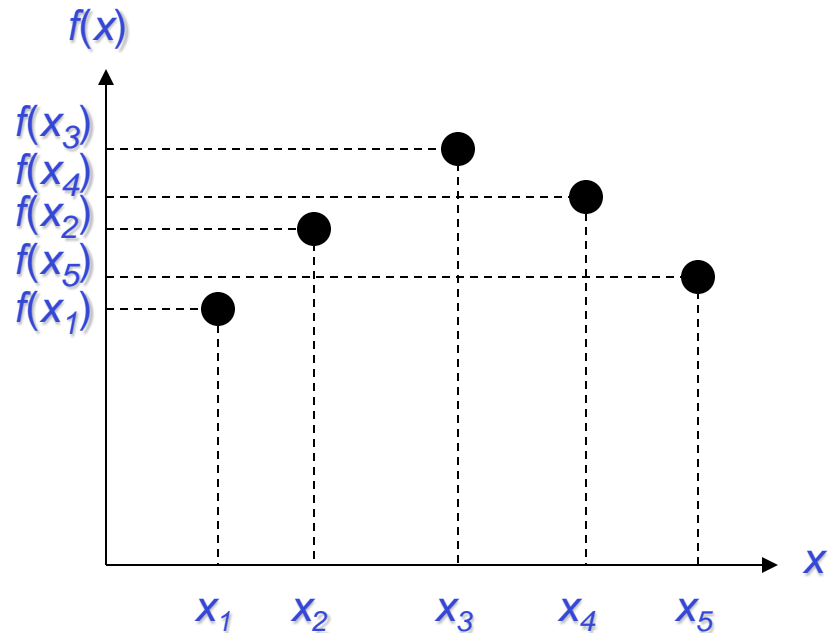
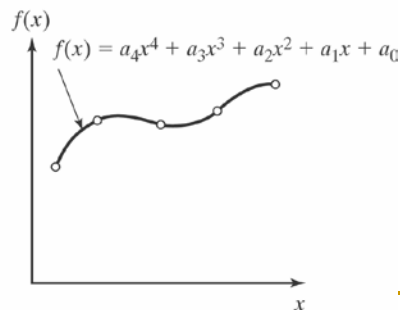
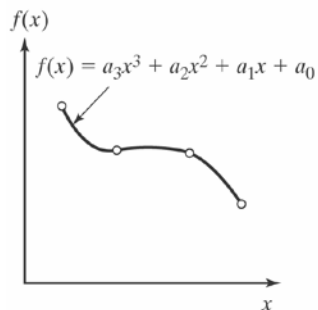
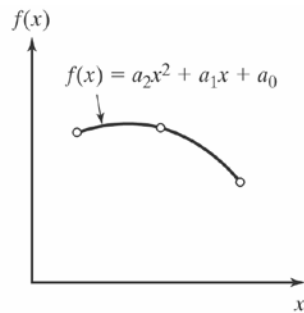
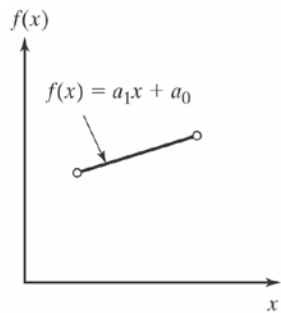
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# Interpolation and Curve Fitting

- For a set of data available at discrete points, we may require to fit a smooth and continuous function to this set of data
- Two approaches for curve fitting
  - ❑ Interpolation methods (*used when the data are known to be accurate or generated by evaluating a complicated function at a discrete set of points*)
  - ❑ Least Square Regression (*is useful when there are more data points than the number of unknown coefficients or when the data appear to have significant error or noise*)

# Interpolation Methods

- Curve passes through every data point
- Four approaches
  - ❑ Interpolation using different degree-polynomials
  - ❑ Lagrange interpolating polynomial
  - ❑ Newton interpolating polynomial
  - ❑ Splines



Examples of interpolating different degree-polynomials

# Interpolation of Different Degree-Polynomials

- Interpolation using a fourth degree-polynomials
- Fit a curve to a series of data and estimate density of helium gas of 17 K
- Five data points

Helium gas

T (K)	$\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
4.22	16.9
7	7.53
10	5.02
20	2.44
30	1.62

$$\rho(T) = a_0 + a_1T + a_2T^2 + a_3T^3 + a_4T^4$$

$$a_0 + a_1(4.22) + a_2(4.22)^2 + a_3(4.22)^3 + a_4(4.22)^4 = 16.9$$

$$a_0 + a_1(7) + a_2(7)^2 + a_3(7)^3 + a_4(7)^4 = 7.53$$

$$a_0 + a_1(10) + a_2(10)^2 + a_3(10)^3 + a_4(10)^4 = 5.02$$

$$a_0 + a_1(20) + a_2(20)^2 + a_3(20)^3 + a_4(20)^4 = 2.44$$

$$a_0 + a_1(30) + a_2(30)^2 + a_3(30)^3 + a_4(30)^4 = 1.62$$

# Example

- Set of equations in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4.22 & 17.801 & 75.151 & 317.14 \\ 1 & 7 & 49 & 343 & 2401 \\ 1 & 10 & 100 & 1000 & 10^4 \\ 1 & 20 & 400 & 8000 & 1.6 \times 10^5 \\ 1 & 30 & 900 & 27000 & 8.1 \times 10^5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 16.9 \\ 7.53 \\ 5.02 \\ 2.44 \\ 1.62 \end{Bmatrix}$$

- Using Gaussian elimination and pivoting

$$\begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 56.811 \\ -14.669 \\ 1.4821 \\ -0.062386 \\ 9.0796 \times 10^{-4} \end{Bmatrix}$$

## Example (continue)

➤ Density equation

$$\rho(T) = 56.811 - 14.669T + 1.4821T^2 - 0.062386T^3 + (9.0796 \times 10^{-4})T^4$$

➤ Interpolated density at 17 K becomes

$$= 56.811 - 14.669(17) + 1.4821(17)^2 - 0.062386(17)^3 + (9.0796 \times 10^{-4})(17)^4$$

$$= 5.084 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

# General Polynomial Fit

- Consider a polynomial of order  $n$  with  $n + 1$  data points

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1} + a_nx^n$$

- If the polynomial passes through  $(x_i, y_i)$

$$y_i = a_0 + a_1x_i + a_2x_i^2 + \dots + a_{n-1}x_i^{n-1} + a_nx_i^n$$

# General Polynomial Fit (continue)

- In matrix form

$$[A] \vec{a} = \vec{y} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 & x_0^2 & \cdots & x_0^n \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & x_n^3 & \cdots & x_n^n \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{Bmatrix}$$

- $[A]$  is known as a Vandermonde matrix, prone to ill conditioning



## Polynomial Fit - example

Suppose we want to fit the parabola  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$  that passes through the last three density values from previous example

$$x_0 = 10 \quad f(x_0) = 5.02$$

$$x_1 = 20 \quad f(x_1) = 2.44$$

$$x_2 = 30 \quad f(x_2) = 1.62$$

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7	7.53
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} f(x_0) \\ f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \end{Bmatrix}$$

# Lagrange Interpolating Polynomial

- Lagrange polynomial of order 2

$$f(x) = y = b_0(x - x_1)(x - x_2) + b_1(x - x_0)(x - x_2) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1)$$

- Substitution 3 data points

$$y_0 = b_0(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2) \quad b_0 = y_0 / (x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)$$

$$y_1 = b_1(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2) \Rightarrow b_1 = y_1 / (x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)$$

$$y_2 = b_2(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) \quad b_2 = y_2 / (x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)$$

# Example

- 1<sup>st</sup> order Lagrange interpolating polynomial

$$f_1(x) = y_0 \frac{(x - x_1)}{(x_0 - x_1)} + y_1 \frac{(x - x_0)}{(x_1 - x_0)} = 5.02 \frac{(x - 20)}{(10 - 20)} + 2.44 \frac{(x - 10)}{(20 - 10)}$$

- 2 points

Helium gas

T (K)	$\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
4.22	16.9
7	7.53
10	5.02
20	2.44
30	1.62

$$f_1(17) = -0.502(17 - 20) + 0.244(17 - 10) = 3.214 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

## Example (continue)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order Lagrange interpolating polynomial

$$f(x) = y_0 \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2)}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)} + y_1 \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_2)}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)} + y_2 \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)}$$

- 3 points

Helium gas

T (K)	$\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
4.22	16.9
7	7.53
10	5.02
20	2.44
30	1.62

$$f_2(x) = 7.53 \frac{(x-10)(x-20)}{(7-10)(7-20)} + 5.02 \frac{(x-7)(x-20)}{(10-7)(10-20)} + 2.44 \frac{(x-7)(x-10)}{(20-7)(20-10)}$$

$$f_2(17) = 0.1931(17-10)(17-20) - 0.1673(17-7)(17-20) + 0.01877(17-7)(17-10)$$

$$= 2.279 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

## Example (continue)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> order Lagrange interpolating polynomial
- 4 points

Helium gas

T (K)	$\rho$ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
4.22	16.9
7	7.53
10	5.02
20	2.44
30	1.62

$$f_3(x) = 7.53 \frac{(x-10)(x-20)(x-30)}{(7-10)(7-20)(7-30)} + 5.02 \frac{(x-7)(x-20)(x-30)}{(10-7)(10-20)(10-30)} \\ + 2.44 \frac{(x-7)(x-10)(x-30)}{(20-7)(20-10)(20-30)} + 1.62 \frac{(x-7)(x-10)(x-20)}{(30-7)(30-10)(30-20)}$$

$$f_3(x) = -0.008395(x-10)(x-20)(x-30) + 0.008367(x-7)(x-20)(x-30) \\ - 0.001877(x-7)(x-10)(x-30) + 0.0003522(x-7)(x-10)(x-20)$$

$$f_3(17) = 2.605 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

# Compact Form

- General form of  $n$ th degree

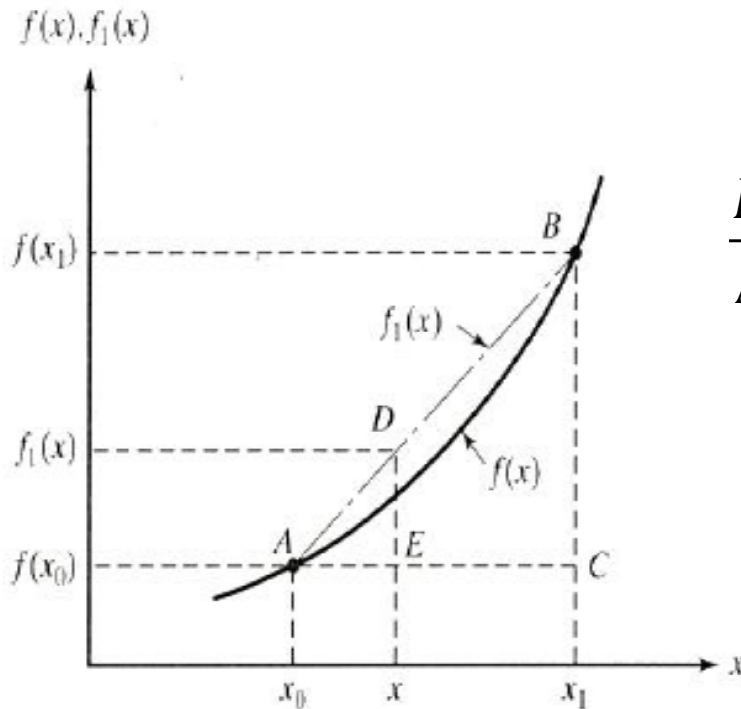
$$f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i L_i = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{(x - x_j)}{(x_i - x_j)}$$

# Newton Interpolating Polynomial

- Disadvantages of Lagrange interpolation polynomial
  - ❑ A large of number arithmetic operations
  - ❑ Cannot be used if data points are changed
  - ❑ Estimation of error in interpolation is not easy
- $n$ th degree Newton interpolating polynomial

$$f_n(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - x_0) + c_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + \cdots + c_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1})$$

# Newton Interpolating Polynomial (continue)



➤ 1<sup>st</sup> order - linear interpolation

$$\frac{DE}{AE} = \frac{BC}{AC} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{f_1(x) - f(x_0)}{x - x_0} = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}$$

$$f_1(x) = f(x_0) + \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}(x - x_0)$$

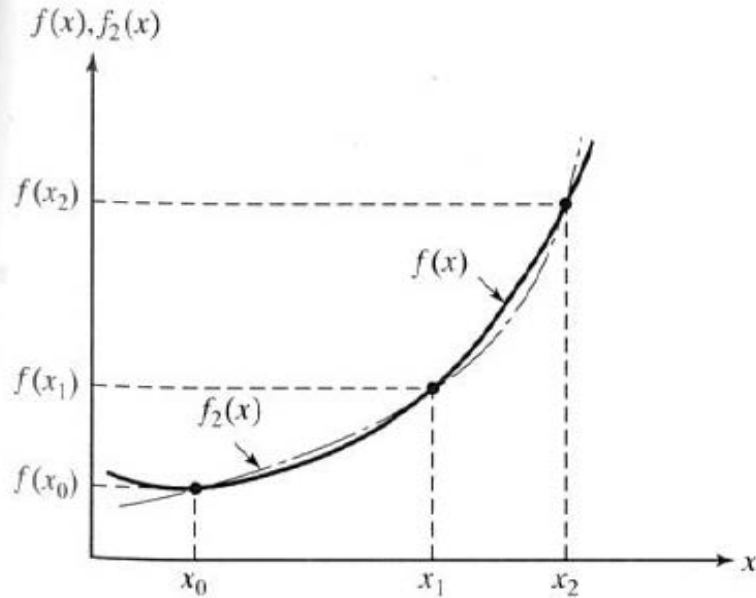
$$f_1(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - x_0)$$

where  $c_0 = f(x_0)$

$$c_1 = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = f[x_1, x_0]$$



# Newton Interpolating Polynomial (continue)



➤ 2<sup>nd</sup> order quadratic interpolation

$$f_2(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - x_0) + c_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1)$$

where

$$c_0 = f(x_0)$$

$$c_1 = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = f[x_1, x_0]$$

$$c_2 = \frac{1}{(x_2 - x_0)} \left\{ \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} - \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} \right\} = f[x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

# Newton Interpolating Polynomial (continue)

- Substituting  $(x_0, y_0)$ , we obtain  $f_n(x_0) = c_0 = y_0$
- Substituting  $(x_1, y_1)$ , and use  $c_0 = y_0$ , we obtain

$$f_n(x_1) = c_0 + c_1(x_1 - x_0) = y_1$$

$$c_1 = f[x_1, x_0] = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} \quad \text{First divided difference between } x_0 \text{ and } x_1$$

$$c_2 = f[x_2, x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_2, x_1] - f[x_1, x_0]}{x_2 - x_0} = \frac{1}{x_2 - x_0} \left( \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} - \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_3 = f[x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0] &= \frac{f[x_3, x_2, x_1] - f[x_2, x_1, x_0]}{x_3 - x_0} \\ &= \frac{1}{x_3 - x_0} \left( \frac{f[x_3, x_2] - f[x_2, x_1]}{x_3 - x_1} - \frac{f[x_2, x_1] - f[x_1, x_0]}{x_2 - x_0} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$f_n(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - x_0) + c_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + \cdots + c_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1})$$

# Newton Interpolating Polynomial (continue)

$$c_4 = f[x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1] - f[x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0]}{x_4 - x_0}$$

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$$c_n = f[x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_2, x_1] - f[x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_1, x_0]}{x_n - x_0}$$

$$f_n(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - x_0) + c_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + \dots + c_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1})$$

## Newton Interpolating Polynomial (continue)

- Coefficients  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n$  determined from divided differences from tabulated values

$i$	$x$	$y$	$c_1$ 1 <sup>st</sup> Diff.,	$c_2$ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Diff.,	$c_3$ 3 <sup>rd</sup> Diff.,	$c_4$ 4 <sup>th</sup> Diff.,
0	$x_0$	$y_0 \rightarrow f[x_1, x_0] \rightarrow f[x_2, x_1, x_0] \rightarrow f[x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0] \rightarrow f[x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0]$				
1	$x_1$	$y_1 \rightarrow f[x_2, x_1] \rightarrow f[x_3, x_2, x_1] \rightarrow f[x_4, x_3, x_2, x_1]$				
2	$x_2$	$y_2 \rightarrow f[x_3, x_2] \rightarrow f[x_4, x_3, x_2]$				
3	$x_3$	$y_3 \rightarrow f[x_4, x_3]$				
4	$x_4$	$y_4$				

# Example

➤ 1<sup>st</sup> order

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$$c_0 = y_0 = 5.02$$

$$c_1 = f[x_1, x_0] = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} = \frac{2.44 - 5.02}{20 - 10} = -0.258$$

$$f_1(x) = 5.02 - 0.258(x - 10)$$

$$f_1(17) = 5.02 - 0.258(17 - 10) = 3.214 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

i	x	y	First
0	10	5.02	-0.2580
1	20	2.44	

## Example (continue)

➤ 2<sup>nd</sup> order

Helium gas

T (K)	ρ (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )
4.22	16.9
7	7.53
10	5.02
20	2.44
30	1.62

i	x	y	First	Second
0	7	7.53	-0.8367	0.04451
1	10	5.02	-0.2580	
2	20	2.44		

$$f_2(x) = 7.53 - 0.8367(x - 7) + 0.04451(x - 7)(x - 10)$$

$$f_2(17) = 7.53 - 0.8367(17 - 7) + 0.04451(17 - 7)(17 - 10) = 2.279 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

- Note: Curve fitting from Lagrange and Newton interpolating polynomials are the same as that of the polynomial fit

# Newton-Gregory Formulas

- Applicable for uniformly spaced data
- Newton interpolating polynomial can be simplified

$$h = (x_n - x_0)/n \quad x_i = x_0 + ih$$

$$c_0 = \frac{\Delta^0 f_0}{h^0} = f_0 \quad c_1 = \left\{ \frac{f_1 - f_0}{x_1 - x_0} \right\} = \frac{\Delta^1 f_0}{h^1} = \frac{\Delta f_0}{h}$$

$$c_2 = \frac{1}{(x_2 - x_0)} \left\{ \frac{f_2 - f_1}{(x_2 - x_1)} - \frac{f_1 - f_0}{(x_1 - x_0)} \right\} = \frac{f_2 - 2f_1 + f_0}{2h^2} = \frac{\Delta^2 f_0}{2!h^2}$$

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$$c_n = \frac{\Delta^n f_0}{n!h^n}$$

← Forward difference

# Newton-Gregory Formulas (continue)

- $n$ th order Newton-Gregory forward interpolating polynomial

$$f_n(x) = f(x_0) + \frac{\Delta f_0}{h}(x - x_0) + \frac{\Delta^2 f_0}{2!h^2}(x - x_0)(x - x_0 - h) \\ + \cdots + \frac{\Delta^n f_0}{n!h^n}(x - x_0)(x - x_0 - h) \cdots (x - x_0 - (n-1)h)$$

- $n$ th order Newton-Gregory backward interpolating polynomial

$$f_n(x) = f(x_n) + \frac{\nabla f_n}{h}(x - x_n) + \frac{\nabla^2 f_n}{2!h^2}(x - x_n)(x - x_n + h) \\ + \cdots + \frac{\nabla^n f_n}{n!h^n}(x - x_n)(x - x_n + h) \cdots (x - x_n + (n-1)h)$$

- If  $x$  is close to  $x_0$ , choose forward difference
- If  $x$  is close to  $x_n$ , choose backward difference

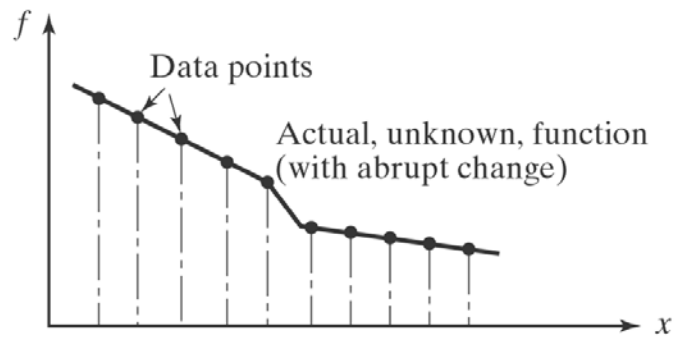


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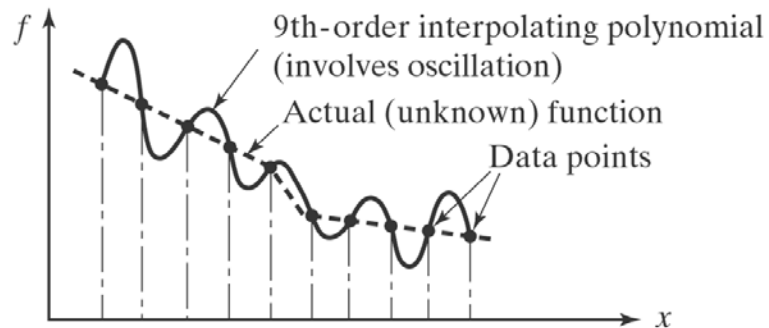
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- For Lagrange and Newton interpolation polynomials, although the polynomial pass through all the data points, errors of a single polynomial tend to increase drastically as its order  $n$  becomes large
  - Often, a high-order polynomial introduces unnecessary oscillations or wiggles when the function undergoes an abrupt change in the range of interpolation
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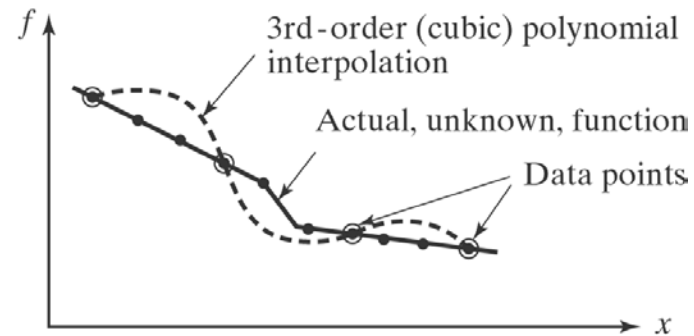
# Splines (continue)



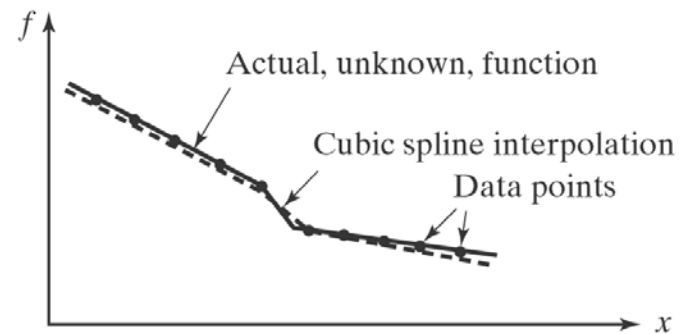
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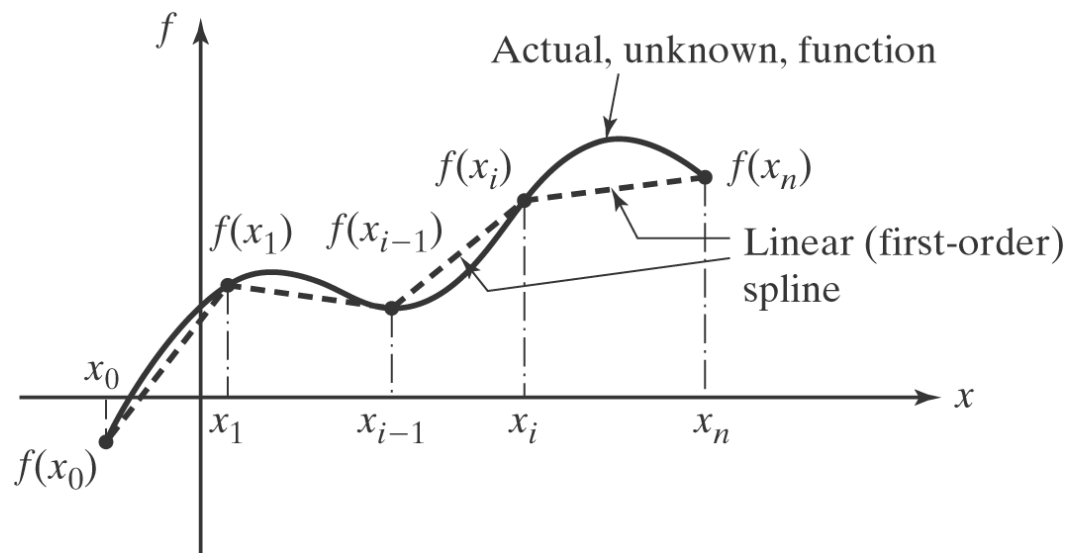
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# Linear Spline

- Linear spline represents a straight line joining any two neighboring data points (knots), see figure below
- A linear polynomial in the  $i$ th interval between point  $(x_i, y_i)$  and  $(x_{i+1}, y_{i+1})$  is  $f_i(x) = a_i(x - x_i) + b_i$



# Example

- Fit the data with a linear spline
- Interval [0.0,1.0]

$$f_0(x_0) = a_0(x_0 - x_0) + b_0 = y_0$$

$$f_0(x_1) = a_0(x_1 - x_0) + b_0 = y_1$$

$$b_0 = 2$$

$$a_0(1 - 0) + b_0 = 4.4366, a_0 = 2.4366$$

- Interval [1.0,1.5]

$$f_1(x_1) = a_1(x_1 - x_1) + b_1 = y_1$$

$$f_1(x_2) = a_1(x_2 - x_1) + b_1 = y_2$$

$$b_2 = 6.7134$$

$$a_2(2.25 - 1.5) + b_2 = 13.913, a_2 = 9.5995$$

i	x	f(x)
0	0.0	2.0000
1	1.0	4.4366
2	1.5	6.7134
3	2.25	13.913

## Example (continue)

➤ Interval [1.5,2.25]

$$f_2(x_2) = a_2(x_2 - x_2) + b_2 = y_2$$

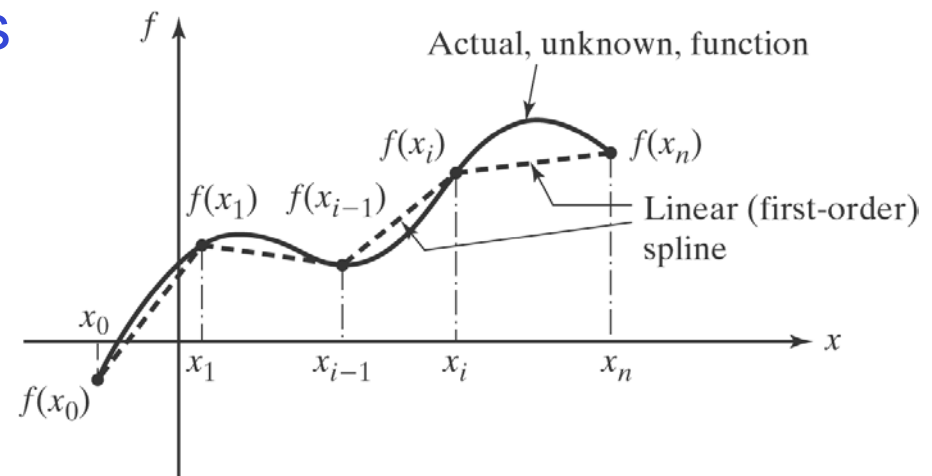
$$f_2(x_3) = a_2(x_3 - x_2) + b_2 = y_3$$

$$b_2 = 6.7134$$

$$a_2(2.25 - 1.5) + b_2 = 13.913, a_2 = 9.5995$$

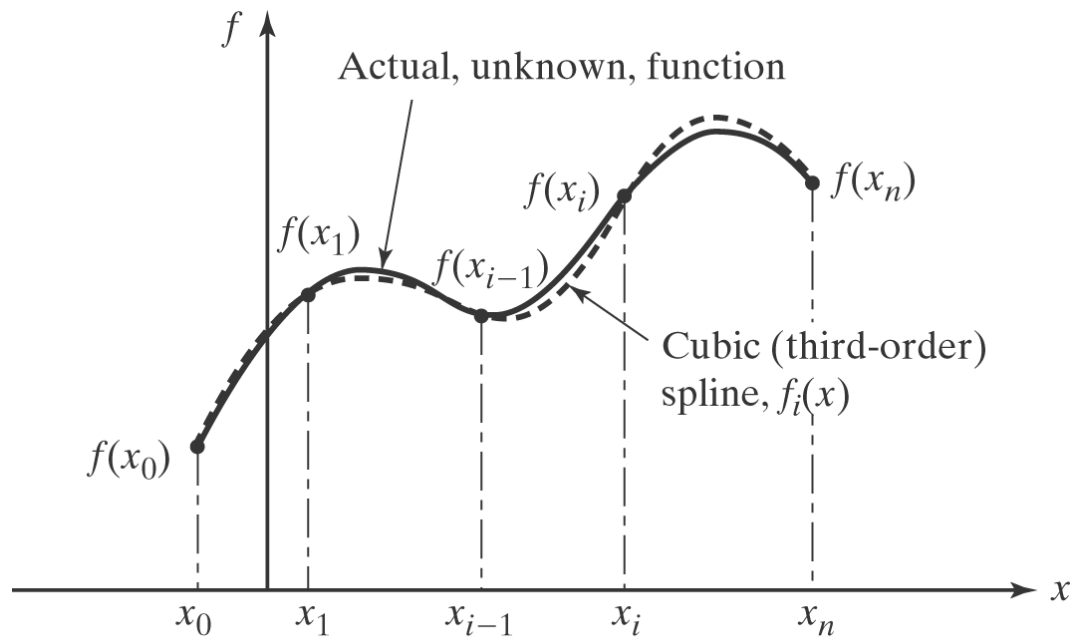
i	x	f(x)
0	0.0	2.0000
1	1.0	4.4366
2	1.5	6.7134
3	2.25	13.913

➤ Problem with the linear spline is that the slope is discontinuous at the points



# Cubic Spline

- Cubic spline represents a cubic equation between any two neighboring data points (knots)
- A cubic polynomial in the  $i$ th interval between point  $(x_i, y_i)$  and  $(x_{i+1}, y_{i+1})$  is  $f_i(x) = a_i(x - x_i)^3 + b_i(x - x_i)^2 + c_i(x - x_i) + d_i$



# Cubic Spline (continue)

- Satisfies the following conditions:

$$f_i(x_i) = y_i \quad \text{and} \quad f_n(x_n) = y_n$$

$$f_i(x_{i+1}) = f_{i+1}(x_{i+1}) \quad \text{continuous}$$

$$f'_i(x_{i+1}) = f'_{i+1}(x_{i+1}) \quad \text{slope}$$

$$f''_i(x_{i+1}) = f''_{i+1}(x_{i+1}) \quad \text{curvature}$$

# Cubic Spline (continue)

- Based on  $f_i(x) = a_i(x - x_i)^3 + b_i(x - x_i)^2 + c_i(x - x_i) + d_i$

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

$$f_i(x_i) = d_i \quad d_i = y_i$$

- Let  $h_i = x_{i+1} - x_i$  be the width of  $i$ th interval

$$f_i(x_{i+1}) = a_i(x_{i+1} - x_i)^3 + b_i(x_{i+1} - x_i)^2 + c_i(x_{i+1} - x_i) + d_i$$

$$a_i h_i^3 + b_i h_i^2 + c_i h_i + y_i = y_{i+1}$$

- Slope and curvature, differentiate  $f_i(x)$

$$f_i'(x) = 3a_i h_i^2 + 2b_i h_i + c_i$$

$$f_i''(x) = 6a_i h_i + 2b_i$$



# Cubic Spline (continue)

- Let  $S_i = f''(x_i)$  and  $S_n = f''(x_n)$

$$S_i = 6a_i(x_i - x_i) + 2b_i$$

$$S_{i+1} = 6a_i(x_{i+1} - x_i) + 2b_i$$

$$b_i = \frac{S_i}{2} \quad a_i = \frac{S_{i+1} - S_i}{6h_i}$$

- Solve for  $c_i$ , using  $a_i$ ,  $b_i$  and  $d_i$ , recalling  $d_i = y_i$

$$\left(\frac{S_{i+1} - S_i}{6h_i}\right)h_i^3 + \left(\frac{S_i}{2}\right)h_i^2 + c_i h_i + y_i = y_{i+1}$$

$$c_i = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{h_i} - \frac{2h_i S_i + h_i S_{i+1}}{6}$$

## Cubic Spline (continue)

- Invoke the condition where the slopes are the same that join  $(x_i, y_i)$

$$f'_{i-1}(x_i) = f'_i(x_i)$$

$$3a_{i-1}(x_i - x_{i-1})^2 + 2b_{i-1}(x_i - x_{i-1}) + c_{i-1} = 3a_i(x_i - x_i)^2 + 2b_i(x_i - x_i) + c_i$$

$$a_{i-1}h_{i-1}^2 + b_{i-1}h_{i-1} + c_{i-1} = c_i$$

- Substituting  $a_j$ ,  $b_j$ ,  $c_j$  and  $d_j$  and simplifying

$$h_{i-1}S_{i-1} + 2(h_{i-1} + h_i)S_i + h_iS_{i+1} = 6\left(\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{h_i} - \frac{y_i - y_{i-1}}{h_{i-1}}\right)$$

# Cubic Spline (continue)

- For natural spline,  $S_0 = 0$  and  $S_n = 0$
- We can write  $S_i$  in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2(h_0 + h_1) & h_1 & & & \\ h_1 & 2(h_1 + h_2) & h_2 & & \\ & h_2 & 2(h_2 + h_3) & h_3 & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & h_{n-2} & 2(h_{n-2} + h_{n-1}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \\ S_3 \\ \vdots \\ S_{n-1} \end{Bmatrix} = 6 \begin{Bmatrix} f[x_2, x_1] - f[x_1, x_0] \\ f[x_3, x_2] - f[x_2, x_1] \\ f[x_4, x_3] - f[x_3, x_2] \\ \vdots \\ f[x_n, x_{n-1}] - f[x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}] \end{Bmatrix}$$

- After  $S_i$  values are obtained

$$a_i = \frac{S_{i+1} - S_i}{6h_i} \quad b_i = \frac{S_i}{2} \quad c_i = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{h_i} - \frac{2h_i S_i + h_i S_{i+1}}{6} \quad d_i = y_i$$

# Example

- Fit the data with a cubic spline
- For 4 points,  $S_0 = 0$   $S_3 = 0$

i	x	h	y
0	0.0	1.0	2.0000
1	1.0	0.5	4.4366
2	1.5	0.75	6.7134
3	2.25		13.913

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2(h_0 + h_1) & h_1 \\ h_1 & 2(h_1 + h_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \end{Bmatrix} = 6 \begin{Bmatrix} f[x_2, x_1] - f[x_1, x_0] \\ f[x_3, x_2] - f[x_2, x_1] \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2(1+0.5) & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 2(0.5+0.75) \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \end{Bmatrix} = 6 \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{6.7134 - 4.4366}{0.5} - \frac{4.4366 - 2}{1.0} \\ \frac{13.913 - 6.7134}{0.75} - \frac{6.7134 - 4.4366}{0.5} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 2.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 12.702 \\ 30.2754 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{Bmatrix} S_1 \\ S_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 2.292 \\ 11.6518 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{S_1 - S_0}{6h_0} = \frac{2.292 - 0}{6(1)} = 0.382 \quad b_0 = \frac{S_0}{2} = 0 \quad d_0 = y_0 = 2$$

$$c_0 = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{h_0} - \frac{2h_0S_0 + h_0S_1}{6} = \frac{4.4366 - 2}{1.0} - \frac{2(1)(0) + (1)(2.292)}{6} = 2.0546$$

## Example (continue)

- Interval [0.0,1.0]

$$f_0(x) = 0.382(x-0)^3 + 2.0546(x-0) + 2$$

i	x	h	y
0	0.0	1.0	2.0000
1	1.0	0.5	4.4366
2	1.5	0.75	6.7134
3	2.25		13.913

- Interval [1.0,1.5]

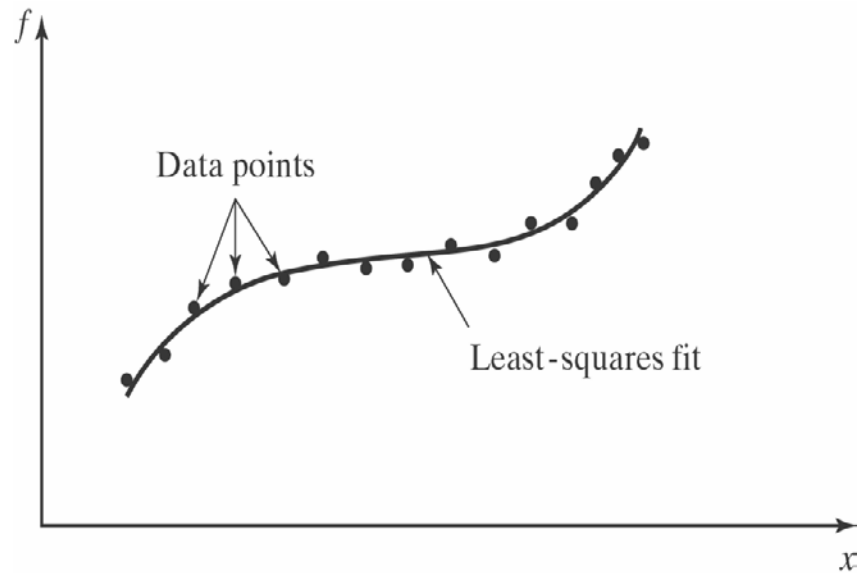
$$f_1(x) = 3.1199(x-1)^3 + 1.146(x-1)^2 + 3.2005(x-1) + 4.4366$$

- Interval [1.5,2.25]

$$f_2(x) = -2.5893(x-1.5)^3 + 5.8259(x-1.5)^2 + 6.6866(x-1.5) + 6.7134$$

# Least Square Regression

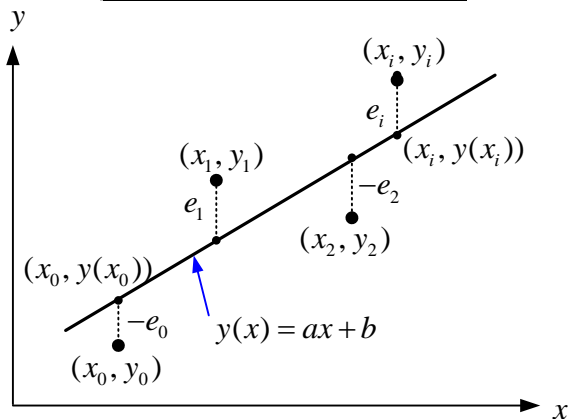
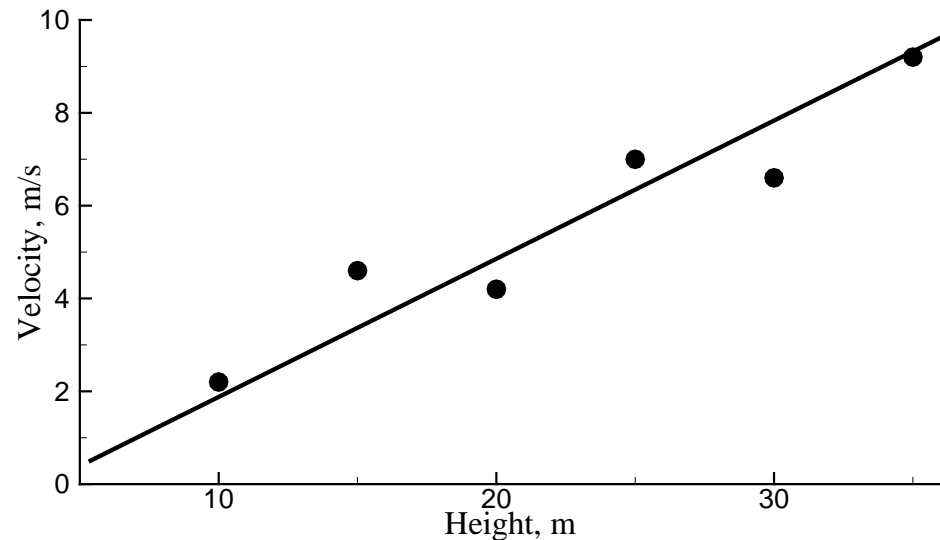
- Approach is useful when there are more data points than the number of unknown coefficients
- Four approaches
  - ❑ Linear Regression
  - ❑ Nonlinear Regression
  - ❑ Polynomial Regression
  - ❑ Multiple Regression



# Linear Regression

- Linear regression is fitting the best straight line (linear equation) to the data

Height	Velocity
x (m)	y (m/s)
10	2.2
15	4.6
20	4.2
25	7
30	6.6
35	9.2



# Linear Regression (continue)

- An approximate function  $y(x) = ax + b$
- Error or deviation of the points  $(x_i, y_i)$  from the function  $e_i = y_i - y(x_i) = y_i - (ax_i + b)$
- Minimize the magnitude of errors, least-square principle – sum of squares of errors

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - ax_i - b)^2$$

- Determine the best values of  $a$  and  $b$  by

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial b} = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - ax_i - b)(-1) \quad \frac{\partial S}{\partial a} = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n 2(y_i - ax_i - b)(-x_i)$$

$$a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$

$$a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + b \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$$



# Example

➤ In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum x_i & n \\ \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a \\ b \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum y_i \\ \sum x_i y_i \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 135 & 6 \\ 3475 & 135 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a \\ b \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 33.8 \\ 870 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} a \\ b \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0.250286 \\ 0.00190476 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$y = 0.250286x + 0.00190476$$

	Height	Velocity		
	x (m)	y (m/s)	$x^2$	xy
	10	2.2	100	22
	15	4.6	225	69
	20	4.2	400	84
	25	7	625	175
	30	6.6	900	198
	35	9.2	1225	322
Sum	<b>135</b>	<b>33.8</b>	<b>3475</b>	<b>870</b>

# Accuracy of Linear Regression

## ➤ Correlation coefficient

$$r = \left( \frac{S_0 - S}{S_0} \right)^{1/2} \quad S_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \quad \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \quad S = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - ax_i - b)^2$$

- A perfect straight line is obtained if  $r = 1$  or  $S = 0$
- A worst straight line if  $r = 0$  or  $S = S_0$

	Height	Velocity			So	S
	x (m)	y (m/s)	$x^2$	xy	$(y - \bar{y}_m)^2$	$(y - ax - b)^2$
	10	2.2	100	22	11.7878	0.0928816
	15	4.6	225	69	1.06778	0.712007
	20	4.2	400	84	2.05444	0.652258
	25	7	625	175	1.86778	0.549000
	30	6.6	900	198	0.934444	0.828982
	35	9.2	1225	322	12.7211	0.191919
Sum	135	33.8	3475	870	30.4333	3.02705
b =	0.00190476				r =	0.948965
a =	0.250286				r <sup>2</sup> =	0.900535

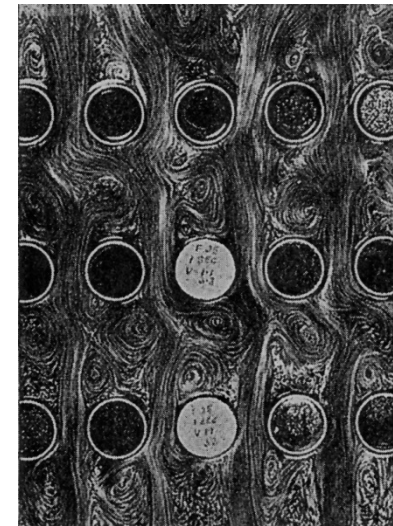
Still need to inspect the data plot even though  $r$  is close to 1

## Example: heat transfer

The heat transfer coefficient ( $h$ ) in a forced convection heat transfer in a cross flow past a cylinder is found to vary with the velocity of the fluid ( $V$ ) flowing past the cylinder as follows:

$V_i$ (m/s)	2	4	6	8
$h_i$ (W/m <sup>2</sup> K)	6.0	10.0	13.0	15.0

Fit a linear equation between  $h$  and  $V$  using the method of least squares.



# Nonlinear Regression

- Fit with first degree polynomial

$$y = ax^b \quad y = ae^{bx}$$

- By taking logarithms

$$\ln y = \ln a + b \ln x \quad \ln y = \ln a + bx$$

- In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum \ln x_i & n \\ \sum (\ln x_i)^2 & \sum \ln x_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} b \\ \ln a \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum \ln y_i \\ \sum \ln x_i \ln y_i \end{Bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \sum x_i & n \\ \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} b \\ \ln a \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum \ln y_i \\ \sum x_i \ln y_i \end{Bmatrix}$$

# Example

- Fit  $y = ax^b$  to the following data
- Linearization by  $\ln y = \ln a + b \ln x$

x	1	2	3	4	5
y	0.5	1.7	3.4	5.7	8.4

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sum \ln x_i & n \\ \sum (\ln x_i)^2 & \sum \ln x_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} b \\ \ln a \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum \ln y_i \\ \sum \ln x_i \ln y_i \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4.7875 & 5 \\ 6.1995 & 4.7875 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} b \\ \ln a \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 4.93 \\ 7.5503 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} b \\ \ln a \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 1.7517 \\ -0.69128 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\ln y = -0.69128 + 1.7517 \ln x$$

$$a = \exp(-0.69128) = 0.50093$$

$$y = 0.50093x^{1.7517}$$

x	y	ln x	ln y	(ln x) <sup>2</sup>	(ln x)(ln y)
1	0.5	0	-0.69315	0	0
2	1.7	0.69315	0.53063	0.48045	0.36780
3	3.4	1.0986	1.2238	1.2069	1.3445
4	5.7	1.3863	1.7405	1.9218	2.4128
5	8.4	1.6094	2.1282	2.5903	3.4253
Sum =		<b>4.7875</b>	<b>4.9300</b>	<b>6.1995</b>	<b>7.5503</b>
b =		<b>1.7517</b>			
ln a =		-0.69128	a =	<b>0.50093</b>	

# Polynomial Regression

- Fit with second order degree polynomial or quadratic

$$y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + e$$

$$e_i = y_i - a_0 - a_1x_i - a_2x_i^2$$

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_i - a_2x_i^2)^2$$

- Differentiating

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_0} = 0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_i - a_2x_i^2) \quad \frac{\partial S}{\partial a_1} = 0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_i - a_2x_i^2)$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_2} = 0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_i - a_2x_i^2)$$

# Polynomial Regression (continue)

➤ In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3 & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 y_i \end{Bmatrix}$$

# Example

- Fit a second order polynomial to the following data

x	0	1	2	3	4	5
y	2.1	7.7	13.6	27.2	40.9	61.1

- Solution

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 15 & 55 \\ 15 & 55 & 225 \\ 22 & 225 & 979 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 152.6 \\ 585.6 \\ 2488.8 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 2.47857 \\ 2.35929 \\ 1.86071 \end{Bmatrix} \quad \text{Gaussian elimination}$$

$$y = 2.47857 + 2.35929x + 1.8607x^2$$

x	y	x <sup>2</sup>	x <sup>3</sup>	x <sup>4</sup>	xy	x <sup>2</sup> y
0	2.1	0	0	0	0	0
1	7.7	1	1	1	7.7	7.7
2	13.6	4	8	16	27.2	54.4
3	27.2	9	27	81	81.6	244.8
4	40.9	16	64	256	163.6	654.4
5	61.1	25	125	625	305.5	1527.5
15	152.6	55	225	979	585.6	2488.8



## Example – electric motor

The vertical displacement of a large electric motor mounted on isolators due to the forced vibration caused by the rotating unbalance in the rotor is shown in the following table:

Speed of motor, $v_i$ (rpm)	100	200	300	400	500
Displacement, $d_i$ (mm)	0.1 0	0.35	0.70	0.40	0.35

You are required to develop a suitable polynomial relationship between  $v$  and  $d$  and fit a curve through data points.

# Multiple Regression

- Extension of linear regression with two or more independent variables

$$y = a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + e$$

- For this 2-D case, the regression “line” becomes a “plane”

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_{1i} - a_2x_{2i})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_0} = 0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_{1i} - a_2x_{2i}) \quad \frac{\partial S}{\partial a_1} = 0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_{1i} (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_{1i} - a_2x_{2i})$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial a_2} = 0 = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_{2i} (y_i - a_0 - a_1x_{1i} - a_2x_{2i})$$

# Multiple Regression (continue)

➤ In matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_{i=1}^n x_{1i} & \sum_{i=1}^n x_{2i} \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_{1i} & \sum_{i=1}^n x_{1i}^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n x_{1i}x_{2i} \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_{2i} & \sum_{i=1}^n x_{1i}x_{2i} & \sum_{i=1}^n x_{2i}^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_{1i} y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_{2i} y_i \end{Bmatrix}$$

# Example

- Use linear multiple regression to the following data
- Solution

x1	0	2	2.5	1	4	7
x2	0	1	2	3	6	2
y	5	10	9	0	3	27

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 16.5 & 14 \\ 16.5 & 76.25 & 48 \\ 14 & 48 & 54 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 54 \\ 243.5 \\ 100 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{Bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ -3 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Gaussian  
elimination

x1	x2	y	x1 <sup>2</sup>	x2 <sup>2</sup>	x1x2	x1y	x2y
0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
2	1	10	4	1	2	20	10
2.5	2	9	6.25	4	5	22.5	18
1	3	0	1	9	3	0	0
4	6	3	16	36	24	12	18
7	2	27	49	4	14	189	54
16.5	14	54	76.25	54	48	243.5	100