

Week 5, Thursday

△ Review: interpolation (插值), given data $\{x_j, f(x_j)\}_{j=0}^n$

find $P(x) \in P_n = \{\text{all polynomials of degree } \leq n\}$ s.t. $P(x_j) = f(x_j)$

- Lagrange interpolating polynomials:

$$P(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) L_j(x), \quad L_j(x) = \prod_{i=0, i \neq j}^n \frac{x - x_i}{x_j - x_i}.$$

- Newton's divided difference

$$P(x) = f[x_0] + \sum_{k=1}^n f[x_0, \dots, x_k] w_k(x), \quad w_k(x) = (x - x_0) \cdots (x - x_{k-1})$$

- divided difference . . .

0th d-d: $f[x_i] = f(x_i)$

first d-d: $f[x_i, x_{i+1}] = \frac{f[x_{i+1}] - f[x_i]}{x_{i+1} - x_i}$
;

kth d-d: $f[x_i, \dots, x_{i+k}] = \frac{f[x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+k}] - f[x_i, \dots, x_{i+k-1}]}{x_{i+k} - x_i}$

advantage: if add one more point, only need add one more term.

add x_{n+1} , then add $f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}] (x - x_0) \cdots (x - x_n)$

- remainder $R(x) = f(x) - P(x)$

Lagrange: $R(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} (x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_n)$

d-d : $R(x) = f[x, x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n] (x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_n)$

Thm : if $f \in C^n[a, b]$, $\exists \xi \in (a, b)$ s.t. $f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n] = \frac{f^{(n)}(\xi)}{n!}$

equal spacing: $x_i = x_0 + ih$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

forward difference formula: $\Delta f(x_k) = f(x_{k+1}) - f(x_k)$

backward difference formula: $\nabla f(x_k) = f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})$

$x = x_0 + sh$ $P(x) = f(x_0) + \sum_{k=1}^n \binom{s}{k} \Delta^k f(x_0)$

$$x = x_0 + sh \quad P(x) = f(x_0) + \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^k \binom{-s}{k} \Delta^k f(x_0).$$

Thermite interpolation: given $\{x_j, f(x_j), f'(x_j)\}_{j=0}^n$

find a polynomial $H(x)$ agree with f and f' at x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n .

Thm ($\exists!$) the least degree of the polynomial $H(x)$ is degree of

at most $2n+1$ given by:

$$H(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) H_j(x) + \sum_{j=0}^n f'(x_j) \hat{H}_j(x), \text{ where}$$

$$H_j(x) = [1 - 2(x - x_j) L'_j(x_j)] L_j^2(x), \quad \hat{H}_j(x) = (x - x_j) L_j^2(x)$$

$$\text{RK: } f(x) = H(x) + \frac{w_n^2(x)}{(2n+2)!} f^{(2n+2)}(y_3(x))$$

Q: Do we expect we can approximate as accurate as possible with polynomials of very high degree by enough data $\{x_j, f(x_j)\}_{j=0}^n$?

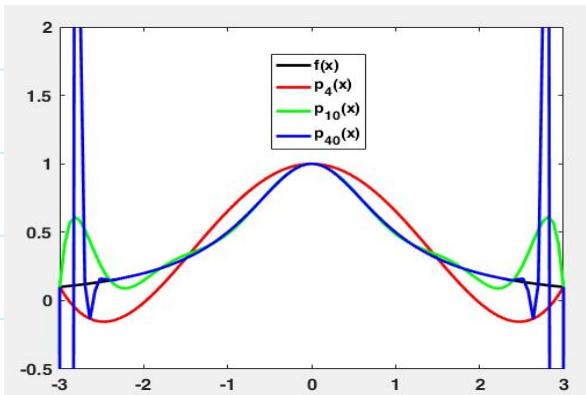
problem: high-degree polynomials can oscillate dramatically.

e.g. Runge phenomenon, take $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$, in $[-5, 5]$,
 $x_j = -5 + \frac{10}{n} j$, $j=0, 1, \dots, n$. then $P_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{1}{1+x_j^2} L_j(x)$

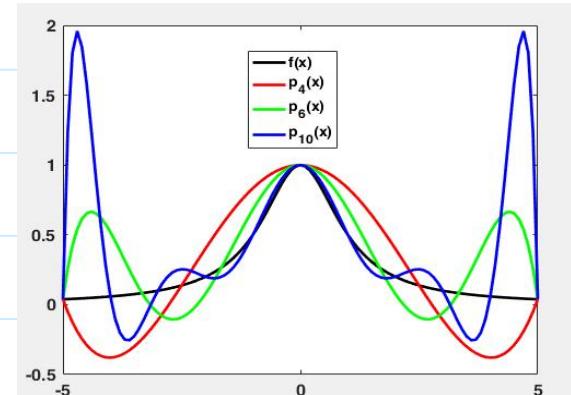
RK: clearly $f(x) \in C^\infty [-5, 5]$, but not analytically at $x = \pm 5$

Runge theoretically proved that, $\exists C \approx 3.63$, such that

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n(x) = f(x)$, $|x| \leq C$, but if $|x| > C$, $L_n(x)$ diverges.



($|x| \leq 3, n \uparrow, P_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$)



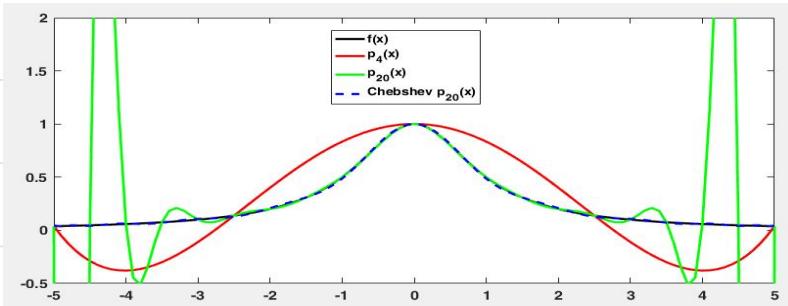
($|x| > C, \text{close to } 5, n \uparrow, P_n(x) \text{ diverges}$)

RK: if we choose Chebyshev points as interpolating nodal points

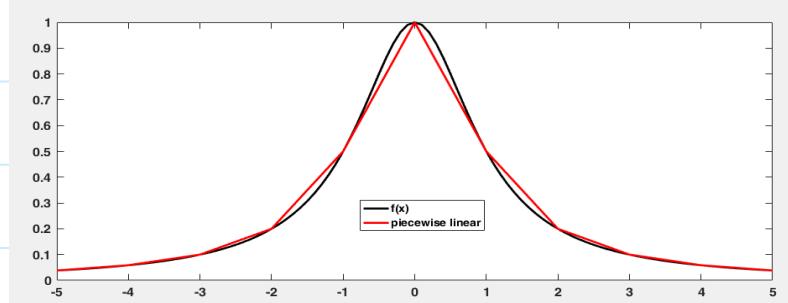
$$x_i = \cos\left(\frac{i\pi}{n}\right) \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

RK: if we choose **Chebyshev** points as interpolating nodal points

$$x_k = 5 \cos\left(\frac{k\pi - \frac{1}{2}\pi}{n}\right), k=1, 2, \dots, n, \text{ above oscillation disappear.}$$



△ another Solution: piecewise-polynomial approximation



$$\textcircled{1} I_h(x) \in C[x_0, x_n] \quad \textcircled{2} I_h(x_j) = f(x_j) \quad \textcircled{3} I_h(x)|_{[x_j, x_{j+1}]} \text{ is linear}$$

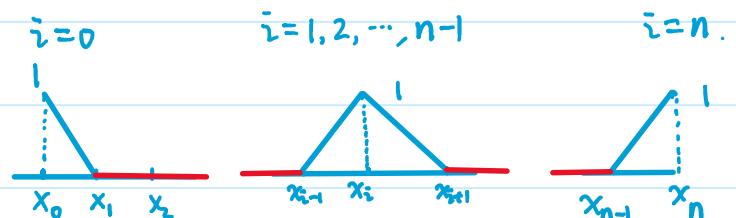
$$I_h(x) = f(x_j) \frac{x-x_{j+1}}{x_j-x_{j+1}} + f(x_{j+1}) \frac{x-x_j}{x_{j+1}-x_j}, \quad x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$$

Q: how to find a basis for $X_n = \{\text{piecewise linear on } [x_{j+1}, x_j]\}$

$$\begin{cases} \varphi_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}, & 0 \leq i, j \leq N. \\ \varphi_i|_{[x_j, x_{j+1}]} \text{ is linear} \end{cases}$$

= "Hat" function:

$$\varphi_i(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-x_{i-1}}{x_i-x_{i-1}} & x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \\ \frac{x_{i+1}-x}{x_{i+1}-x_i} & x \in [x_i, x_{i+1}] \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



Define: interpolation: $I_h: C[0, 1] \rightarrow X_n$ s.t.

$$I_h u(x_i) = u(x_i), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n.$$

$$\text{RK: } I_h f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i) \varphi_i(x).$$

$$x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}], \quad f(x) = I_h(x) + \frac{1}{2} f''(\xi(x))(x-x_j)(x-x_{j+1}), \quad \xi(x) \in (x_j, x_{j+1}).$$

$$x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}], f(x) = I_h(x) + \frac{1}{2}f''(\xi(x))(x-x_j)(x-x_{j+1}), \xi(x) \in (x_j, x_{j+1}).$$

error bound:

$$\therefore \max_{x \in [x_0, x_n]} |f(x) - I_h(x)| \leq \frac{1}{8} h^2 \max_{x \in [x_0, x_n]} |f''(x)|, h = \max_{0 \leq j \leq n} |x_{j+1} - x_j|$$

RK: applications of this piecewise linear approximation

e.g. two-point boundary value problem $\begin{cases} -u''(x) = f(x), & x \in (0, 1) \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0 \end{cases}$

Weak formulation: find u in $H_0^1(0, 1)$ s.t.

$$(u', v') = (f, v), \forall v \in H_0^1(0, 1)$$

$$\text{where } H_0^1(0, 1) = \{v(x) \mid \int_0^1 |v'|^2 dx, \int_0^1 |v|^2 dx < \infty, v(0) = v(1) = 0\}.$$

piecewise linear finite element method: (有限元)

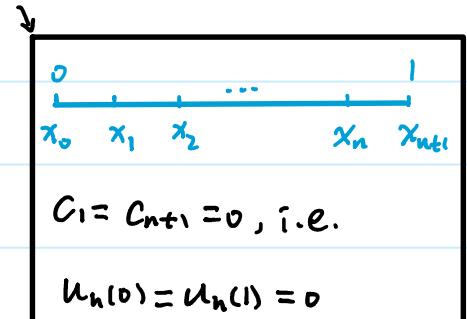
find u_h in X_h , i.e. $u_h = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \varphi_j(x)$ s.t.

$$(u'_h, v'_h) = (f, v_h), \forall v_h \in X_h$$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, take $v_h = \varphi_i$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (\varphi'_j, \varphi'_i) c_j = (f, \varphi_i),$$

$$\text{denote } m_{ij} = (\varphi'_j, \varphi'_i), (f, \varphi_i) = f_i$$



$$M \vec{c} = \vec{f}$$

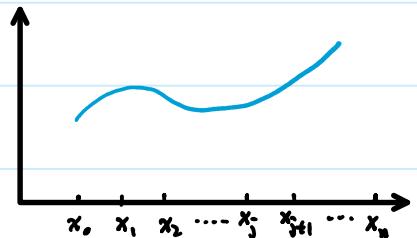
RK: it is easy to prove M is symmetric and positive definite, so it is invertible. (try it)

Thm For linear FEM: $\|u - u_h\|_{L^2} + ch \|u' - u'_h\|_{L^2} \leq 2(ch)^2 \|f\|_{L^2}$.

(more about FEM, refer to Feng Kang 陈康)

△ Cubic Splines: piecewise cubic

Def: $S(x) \in C^2[x_0, x_n]$ such that $S(x)$ is an interpolation of $f(x)$, on each interval $[x_j, x_{j+1}]$ $S(x)$ is a cubic polynomial



Cubic spline interpolant S for f satisfies:

$S_j(x) = S(x)|_{[x_j, x_{j+1}]}$ is a cubic polynomial, $j=0, 1, \dots, n-1$

$S_j(x) = a_j + b_j x + c_j x^2 + d_j x^3$ (4n) coefficients to be determined.

$$(a) S_j(x_j) = f(x_j) \text{ and } S_j(x_{j+1}) = f(x_{j+1}), \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

$$\text{also imply: } S_{j+1}(x_{j+1}) = S_j(x_{j+1}) \quad (S \in C[x_0, x_n])$$

$$(b) S'_{j+1}(x_{j+1}) = S'_j(x_{j+1}), \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-2 \quad (S \in C'(x_0, x_n))$$

$$(c) S''_{j+1}(x_{j+1}) = S''_j(x_{j+1}), \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-2 \quad (S \in C^2(x_0, x_n))$$

(d) one of following boundary condition is satisfied (2)

$$(i) S''(x_0) = S''(x_n) = 0 \quad (\text{natural (free) boundary})$$

$$(ii) S'(x_0) = f'(x_0) \text{ and } S'(x_n) = f'(x_n) \quad (\text{clamped boundary})$$

△ Construction:

$$S_j(x) = S(x)|_{[x_j, x_{j+1}]} = a_j + b_j(x - x_j) + c_j(x - x_j)^2 + d_j(x - x_j)^3 \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

$$\text{define: } h_j = x_{j+1} - x_j, \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

as $S''_j(x)$ is a linear function

$$S''_j(x) = M_j \frac{x_{j+1} - x}{h_j} + M_{j+1} \frac{x - x_j}{h_j} \quad (c)$$

$$\therefore S_j(x) = M_j \frac{(x_{j+1} - x)^3}{6h_j} + M_{j+1} \frac{(x - x_j)^3}{6h_j} + P_j x + Q_j$$

$$\text{as } S_j(x_j) = f(x_j), \quad S_j(x_{j+1}) = f(x_{j+1}) \quad (a)$$

$$S_j(x) = M_j \frac{(x_{j+1} - x)^3}{6h_j} + M_{j+1} \frac{(x - x_j)^3}{6h_j} + \left(f(x_j) - \frac{M_j h_j^2}{6}\right) \frac{x_{j+1} - x}{h_j} \\ + \left(f(x_{j+1}) - \frac{M_{j+1} h_j^2}{6}\right) \frac{x - x_j}{h_j} \quad j=0, 1, \dots, n-1.$$

$$S'_j(x) = -M_j \frac{(x_{j+1} - x)^2}{2h_j} + M_{j+1} \frac{(x - x_j)^2}{2h_j} + \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{h_j} - \frac{M_{j+1} - M_j}{6} h_j$$

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$$(b) S'_j(x_{j+1}) = S'_{j+1}(x_{j+1}) \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}h_j M_{j+1} + \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{h_j} - \frac{M_{j+1} - M_j}{6} h_j$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}h_{j+1} M_{j+1} + \frac{f(x_{j+2}) - f(x_{j+1})}{h_{j+1}} - \frac{M_{j+2} - M_{j+1}}{6} h_{j+1}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{1}{6}h_j M_j + \frac{1}{3}(h_j + h_{j+1}) M_{j+1} + \frac{1}{6}h_{j+1} M_{j+2} = f[x_{j+1}, x_{j+2}] - f[x_j, x_{j+1}]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{6}h_j M_j + \frac{1}{3}(h_j + h_{j+1}) M_{j+1} + \frac{1}{6}h_{j+1} M_{j+2} = \underbrace{(h_j + h_{j+1})}_{\frac{1}{3}(h_{j+1} + h_{j+2})} f[x_j, x_{j+1}, x_{j+2}]$$

$x_{j+2} - x_j$

$j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-2.$

(d) natural: $M_0 = f''(x_0) = 0, M_n = f''(x_n) = 0$ (known)

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc} \frac{1}{3}(h_0+h_1) & \frac{1}{6}h_1 & \\ \frac{1}{6}h_1 & \frac{1}{3}(h_1+h_2) & \frac{1}{6}h_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \frac{1}{6}h_{n-3} & \frac{1}{3}(h_{n-3}+h_{n-2}) & \frac{1}{6}h_{n-2} \\ \frac{1}{6}h_{n-2} & \frac{1}{3}(h_{n-2}+h_{n-1}) & \end{array} \right] \left[\begin{array}{c} M_1 \\ M_2 \\ \vdots \\ M_{n-2} \\ M_{n-1} \end{array} \right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} (h_0+h_1)f[x_0, x_1, x_2] - \frac{1}{6}h_0 M_0 \\ (h_1+h_2)f[x_1, x_2, x_3] \\ \vdots \\ (h_{n-3}+h_{n-2})f[x_{n-3}, x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}] \\ (h_{n-2}+h_{n-1})f[x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}, x_n] - \frac{1}{6}h_{n-1} M_n \end{array} \right]$$

$$A \vec{M} = \vec{F}$$

Thm $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$, the f has a unique natural cubic spline interpolant S on x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n .

Proof: as A given above is strictly diagonal dominant, then
 A is invertible. $\therefore A \vec{M} = \vec{F}$ has a unique solution.

RK: if $f \in C^4[a, b]$, $|f^{(4)}(x)|_{\max x \in [a, b]} = M$.

$$|f(x) - S(x)| \leq \frac{5M}{384} \max_{0 \leq j \leq n-1} h_j^4$$

HW5-1: Sec 3.4 11 Sec 3.5 4 9 6 9 13 29

Consider the following function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + 25x^2}, \quad x \in [-1, 1].$$

- a. Set $t_k = -1 + 0.01 * k$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, 200$.
- b. Set $x_j = -1 + 0.4 * j$, $j = 0, 1, \dots, 5$. Use these nodes to get the interpolation $L_5(x)$ and compute the error $e_k^{[1]} = |f(t_k) - L_5(t_k)|$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, 200$.
- c. Set $x_j = -1 + 0.2 * j$, $j = 0, 1, \dots, 10$. Use these nodes to get the interpolation $L_{10}(x)$ and compute the error $e_k^{[2]} = |f(t_k) - L_{10}(t_k)|$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, 200$.
- d. Set $x_j = \cos \frac{(2j-1)\pi}{22}$, $j = 1, \dots, 11$. Use these nodes to get the interpolation $C_{10}(x)$ and compute the error $e_k^{[3]} = |f(t_k) - C_{10}(t_k)|$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, 200$.
- e. Set $x_j = -1 + 0.2 * j$, $j = 0, 1, \dots, 10$. Use these nodes to get a cubic spline with natural boundary condition $S_{10}(x)$ and compute the error $e_k^{[4]} = |f(t_k) - S_{10}(t_k)|$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, 200$.
- f. Plot the errors $e_k^{[i]}$ s, (learn "subplot" to present your results in an elegant way).

print out the figure in LFS, no need to submit
the matlab code.

Due: 2025. 10. 21