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# Homework 2 for SI211: Numerical Analysis

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## Abstract

This is the solution for Homework 2 of SI211: Numerical Analysis, which is taught by Boris Houska.

### 1 Jacobian Matrix

**Solution 1.** The Jacobian matrix of  $f(x)$  is

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2 & x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 & x_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

substitute  $x = (1, 2)^T$  into the above equation, we have

$$J|_{(1,2)^T} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 5 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

### 2 Polynomial interpolation

**Solution 2.** Since  $p(-1) = f(-1) = 6$ ,  $p(2) = f(2) = 12$ ,  $p(4) = f(4) = 66$ , we have

$$a_0 - a_1 - a_2 = 6 \quad (3)$$

$$a_0 + 2a_1 + 8a_2 = 12 \quad (4)$$

$$a_0 + 4a_1 + 64a_2 = 66 \quad (5)$$

rewrite it as the matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 4 & 64 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 12 \\ 66 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

### 3 Interpolation with rational functions

**Solution 3.** We have that  $q(-2) = f(-2) = -6$ ,  $p(-1) = f(-1) = -3$ ,  $p(1) = f(1) = 5$ ,  $p(2) = f(2) = 10$ , which is the same as

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1/2 & 1 & -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1/2 & 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_{-1} \\ a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ -3 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

of which the solution is

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{-1} \\ a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 4 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

## 4 Hermite interpolation

**Solution 4.** From the initial condition,  $n = 1$ . We first compute the Lagrange polynomials and their derivatives. This gives (We use the notation  $x_0 = 1$  and  $x_1 = 2$  for simplicity.)

$$L_{1,0}(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} = -(x - 2), \quad L'_{1,0}(x) = -1$$

$$L_{1,1}(x) = \frac{x - x_0}{x_1 - x_0} = x - 1, \quad L'_{1,1}(x) = 1$$

The polynomials  $H_{1,0}(x)$ ,  $H_{1,1}(x)$  and  $\hat{H}_{1,0}(x)$ ,  $\hat{H}_{1,1}(x)$  are then

$$H_{1,0}(x) = [1 - 2(x - x_0)L'_{1,0}(x)]L_{1,0}^2(x) = (2x - 1)(x - 2)^2$$

$$H_{1,1}(x) = [1 - 2(x - x_1)L'_{1,1}(x)]L_{1,1}^2(x) = (-2x + 5)(x - 1)^2$$

$$\hat{H}_{1,0}(x) = (x - x_0)L_{1,0}^2(x) = (x - 1)(x - 2)^2$$

$$\hat{H}_{1,1}(x) = (x - x_1)L_{1,1}^2(x) = (x - 2)(x - 1)^2$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} H_3(x) &= [p(x_0)H_{1,0}(x) + p(x_1)H_{1,1}(x)] + [p'(x_0)\hat{H}_{1,0}(x) + p'(x_1)\hat{H}_{1,1}(x)] \\ &= H_{1,0}(x) + 2H_{1,1}(x) + 2\hat{H}_{1,0}(x) + 4\hat{H}_{1,1}(x) \\ &= (2x - 1)(x - 2)^2 + 2(-2x + 5)(x - 1)^2 + 2(x - 1)(x - 2)^2 + 4(x - 2)(x - 1)^2 \\ &= (4x - 3)(x - 2)^2 + 2(x - 1)^2 \\ &= 4x^3 - 17x^2 + 24x - 10 \end{aligned}$$

## 5 Polynomial Approximation error

**Solution 5.** The results are shown as follows:

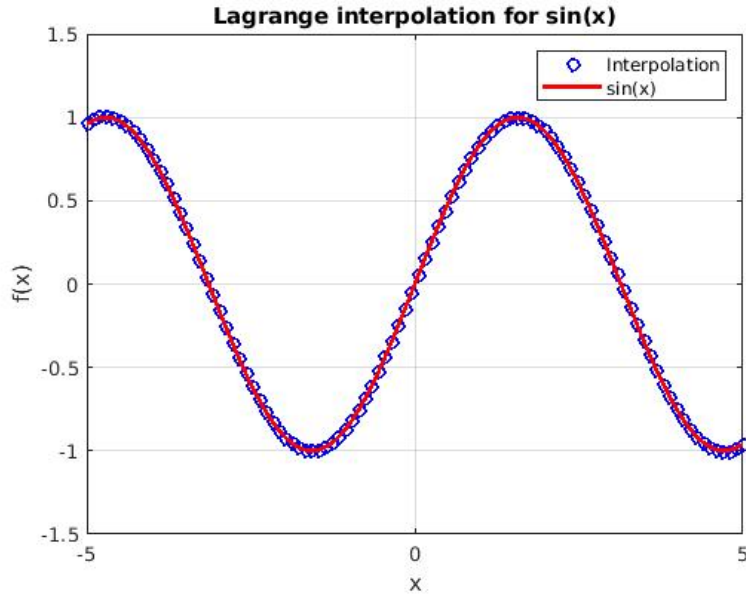


Figure 1: The interpolation for  $\sin(x)$

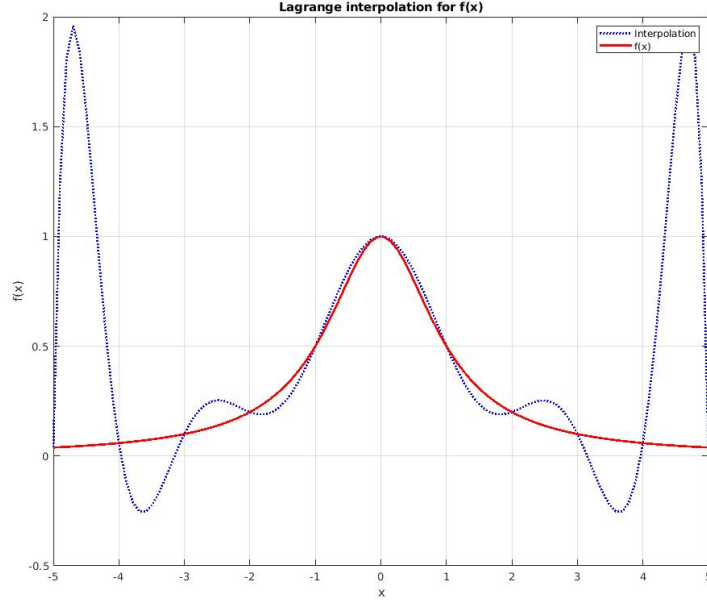


Figure 2: The interpolation for  $f(x) = 1/(1+x^2)$

Now we analysis the approximation error. By Theorem 3.3 of *Numerical Analysis, 9th ed.* We have

$$f(x) = P(x) + \frac{f^{(11)}(\xi(x))}{11!}(x+5) \cdots (x-5) \quad (9)$$

where  $P(x)$  is the Lagrange interpolation polynomial,  $\xi(x) \in [-5, 5]$ .

1.  $f(x) = \sin(x)$ . We have

$$f^{(11)}(x) = -\cos(x) \quad (10)$$

and

$$\frac{f^{(11)}(\xi(x))}{11!}(x+5) \cdots (x-5) = \frac{-\cos(\xi(x))}{11!}(x+5) \cdots (x-5)$$

The maximal value of  $\cos(\xi(x))$  on the interval  $[-5, 5]$  is 1. Define  $g(x) = (x+5) \cdots (x-5)$ ,  $x \in [-5, 5]$ . Since the maximum value of  $g(x)$  is attained at  $x^* \approx -4.71458$ , and  $g(x^*) \approx 416614$  and  $g(x)$  is an odd function. Thus

$$|g(x)| \leq 416620, x \in [-5, 5] \quad (11)$$

Now we have

$$\left| \frac{-\cos(\xi(x))}{11!}(x+5) \cdots (x-5) \right| \leq \frac{416620}{11!} \approx 0.01 \quad (12)$$

which is consistent with the plot.

2.  $f(x) = 1/(1+x^2)$ . We use Mathematica to obtain an upper bound for  $|f^{(11)}(\xi(x))|$ :

$$|f^{(11)}(\xi(x))| \leq |f^{(11)}(0.12)| \leq 3.6 \times 10^7 \quad (13)$$

$$\left| \frac{f^{(11)}(\xi(x))}{11!}(x-x_0) \cdots (x-x_{10}) \right| \leq \frac{416620 \times 3.6 \times 10^7}{11!} \approx 3.6 \times 10^5 \quad (14)$$

The bound indicates that the Lagrange interpolation method is unstable for  $f(x) = 1/(1+x^2)$ . Actually, as  $n$  increases, the oscillations get even larger. The interpolation polynomial  $P(x)$  doesn't converge to  $f(x)$  uniformly.