Fall 2023

Assignment 3 Instructor: Nielsen, DaouDue: November 10, 2023

1. Consider the polynomial of

$$f(x) = -2x^5 + 3x^2 + 2x + 1$$

Use numpy.polyval() to plot this curve for the range of 1 < x < 3.

2. Consider the function of

$$f(x) = \sin^5(x) + 4\sin(x)$$

Explain how you would evaluate this function using polyval(). Then use polyval() to plot this curve for a range of 0 < x < 2.

**3.** For the polynomial

$$f(x) = x^5 - 3x^4 + 4x + 1$$

- (a) Utilize polyder and polyint to derive the polynomial coefficients, and then plot the following four functions on a single graph over the interval 0 < x < 2:
  - i. f(x)
  - ii.  $\frac{df(x)}{dx}$
  - iii.  $\frac{d^2f(x)}{dx^2}$

iv. 
$$\int_{0}^{x} f(t) dt$$

- (b) The roots can be determined of the polynomial of f(x) by using np.roots(). Doing this results in a set of complex-valued and real roots. Write a routine identifying the real-valued root of f(x). Verify that the real root is accurately determined np.roots() by using np.polyval().
- 4. The convolution of a discrete finite length sequence with another discrete finite length sequence is calculated with the discrete convolution operation of np.convolve(). This can be used to determine the product of two polynomials. In this problem, determine the coefficients of the polynomial

$$f(x) = (x^3 + 2x + 1)^5$$

Print out the coefficients of x in descending order of the power of x.

**5.** Suppose we have the points

$$p_1 = (x_1, y_1) = (0, 1)$$

$$p_2 = (x_2, y_2) = (1, 1.5)$$

$$p_3 = (x_3, y_3) = (2, 4)$$

$$p_4 = (x_4, y_4) = (4, 7)$$

$$p_5 = (x_5, y_5) = (5, 4)$$

Determine the fourth-order polynomial that passes through these points. Then plot the fourth-order interpolated polynomial that passes through these points as determined by np.polyfit. Indicate the five points with red x markers and label the axis. List the code to find the coefficients and plot the curve as well as the plot.

**6.** Consider a data file of meas.npy that contains 500 measurements of a random process. The measurements themselves are noisy. The following code generates the data file.

(a) Read in the data in the binary file of meas.npy. The first column is the x values, and the second is the y values. It is known that the data fits the model of

$$y = a + b\sin(x) + c\sin^2(x)$$

in addition to the unknown noise. Use np.polyfit() to generate the least square regression curve fit this data determining the unknown coefficients of a, b and c. Then plot the data points (as a scatter plot) and superimpose the regression curve fit.

(b) Determine the standard deviation of the error of the regression curve fit.