

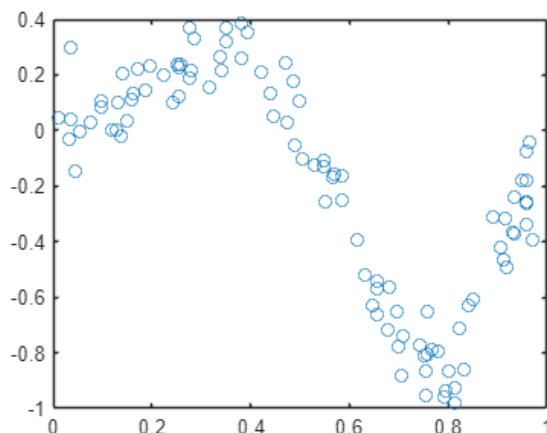
## CS375 HW10

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### 1. Least Squares fitting (cubic!)

- (a) Use the provided matlab function  $[x, y] = \text{generate\_ls\_data}(N)$  with  $N = 100$  to generate 100 data points. Plot the data using  $\text{plot}(x, y, 'o')$  (you can add more commands to make the formatting nice, but use the 'o' syntax so that MATLAB does not connect the data with lines)

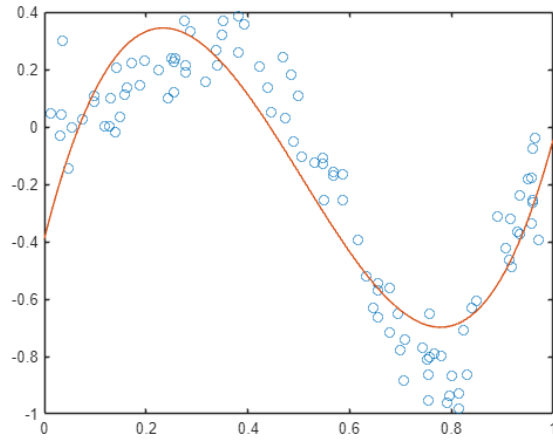


- (b) Next, we want to find the cubic polynomial given by  $p_3(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3$ , that best fits the data. To do this, we will construct the Vandermonde matrix,  $A$ , given by  $A = [\vec{x}^3 | \vec{x}^2 | \vec{x} | \vec{x}^0]$ , using the data from part (a). Now, finding the cubic polynomial is equivalent to "solving" the problem

$$A \begin{bmatrix} c_3 \\ c_2 \\ c_1 \\ c_0 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{y}$$

Construct the Vandermonde matrix and compute the polynomial coefficients  $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3$  with a least squares approximation by solving the normal equations. It might be helpful to reuse your code from HW8 to generate the Vandermonde matrix.

Define a fine grid of points using  $x_{\text{fine}} = \text{linspace}(0, 1, 1000; )$ . Evaluate the polynomial at these points and plot the results, along with the data from part (a). (you can use MATLAB's *polyval* command if you ordered your  $c$ 's correctly.)



We generate the best fit cubic  $p_3(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3$ . We compute each of the coefficients at each iteration;  $c = (A' * A) \backslash (A' * y)$ . Then plug in to solve and graph the line with the best fit.

```
function cubic_fit(N)
    rng('default');
    x = rand(N,1);
    y = x .* sin(2 * pi * x) + 0.1 * randn(N,1);
    A = [ones(N, 1), x, x.^2, x.^3];

    c = (A' * A) \ (A' * y);

    xfine = linspace(0, 1, 1000);
    yfine = polyval(flip(c'), xfine);

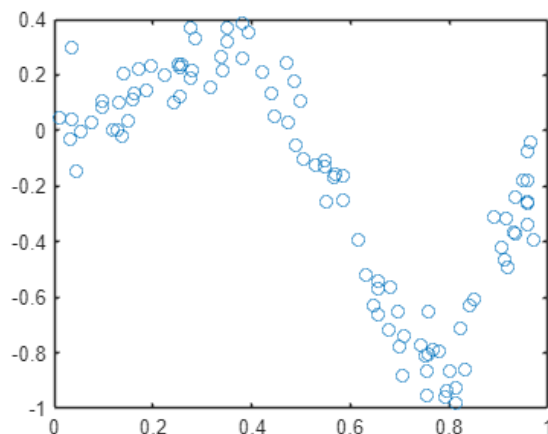
    plot(x, y, 'o'); hold on;
    plot(xfine, yfine, '-');
    hold off;
end
```

2. Least Squares fitting (cubic again!)

we're going to redo the last problem, but now we'll use the SVD instead of the normal equations.

- (a) Use the provided matlab function  $[x, y] = \text{generate\_ls\_data}(N)$  with  $N = 100$  to generate 100 data points. Plot the data using  $\text{plot}(x, y, 'o')$ .

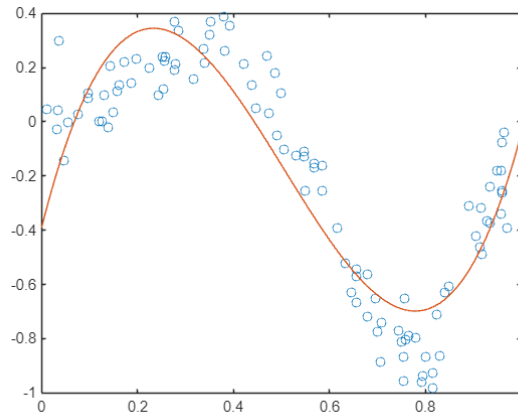
Here, we will get the same random generated data as before;



- (b) Next, we want to find the cubic polynomial given by  $p_3(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2 + c_3x^3$ , that best fits the data. To do this, we will construct the Vandermonde matrix,  $A$ , given by  $A = [\vec{x}^3 | \vec{x}^2 | \vec{x} | \vec{x}^0]$ , using the data from part (a). Now, finding the cubic polynomial is equivalent to "solving" the problem

$$A \begin{bmatrix} c_3 \\ c_2 \\ c_1 \\ c_0 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{y}$$

Construct the Vandermonde matrix and compute the polynomial coefficients  $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_3$  with a least squares approximation using SVD for  $A$  (you can use MATLAB's built-in *svd* command). Do you get the same answer as in the previous homework? Define a fine grid of points using  $x_{\text{fine}} = \text{linspace}(0, 1, 1000)$ ; Evaluate the polynomial at these points and plot the results, along with the data from part (a).



In the adjustment to the SVD version, we start by generating the Vandermonde matrix  $A$ , then performing SVD on  $A$  to find the matrices  $U$ ,  $S$ , and  $V$ . Then we use these three to solve for  $c$ .

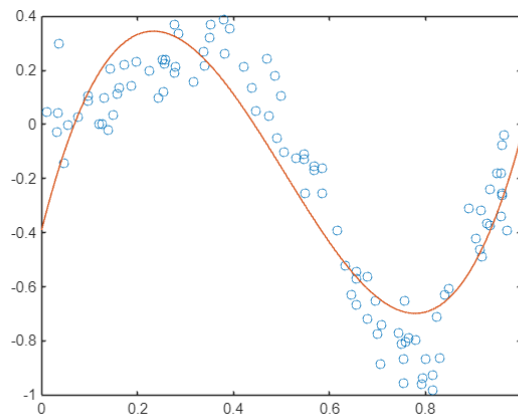
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function svd_least_squares_fit(N)
    rng('default');
    x = rand(N,1);
    y = x.*sin(2*pi*x) + 0.1*randn(N,1);
    [U, S, V] = svd(A, 'econ');

    c = V * (S \ (U' * y));

    xfine = linspace(0, 1, 1000);
    yfine = polyval(c', xfine);

    plot(x, y, 'o'); hold on;
    plot(xfine, yfine, '-');
    hold off;
end
```

(c) Repeat the two above but with  $N = 500$ .



3. **QR Factorization**  
Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ -2 & 7 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Use the **Gram-Schmidt procedure** (as I did in lecture) on the columns of  $A$  to produce the  $QR$  factorization of  $A$  (technically what I showed in class is the "skinny"  $QR$  factorization). Do this "by hand".

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ -2 & 7 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}, a_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, a_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 7 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Start by solving  $q_1$ ;

$$q_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + \frac{1}{3} \\ -0 + \frac{1}{-3} \\ 1 + \frac{1}{-3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Project  $a_2$  onto  $q_1$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_{q_1} a_2 &= (q_1 \cdot a_2) q_1 \\ \text{proj}_{q_1} a_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 + \frac{1}{-2 + \frac{1}{-4}} \\ -1 + \frac{1}{-5 + \frac{1}{2}} \\ 2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{4}} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Solve  $u_2$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= a_2 - \text{proj}_{q_1} a_2 \\ u_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 + \frac{1}{2 + \frac{1}{4}} \\ 8 + \frac{1}{5 + \frac{1}{-2}} \\ 3 + \frac{1}{-2 + \frac{1}{-4}} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

...so what are the matrices  $Q$  and  $R$ ?

solve  $R$ ;

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 + \frac{1}{-3} \\ 0 & 9 + \frac{1}{-4 + \frac{1}{158}} \end{bmatrix}$$

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Reassemble  $A$  from  $Q$  and  $R$ :

$$A = QR = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ -2 & 7 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Use Matlabs built-in *qr* command to compute the *QR* factorization of *A*. How does this differ from your answer in part a? (Hint: the command *rats* can be useful when comparing Matlabs decimal representation of a matrix to the one you computed by hand.)

```
A = [-4, -4; -2, 7; 4, 5];
[Q_builtin, R_builtin] = qr(A);

disp(rats(Q_builtin));
disp(rats(R_builtin));

A_reassembled_builtin = Q_builtin * R_builtin;
disp(rats(A_reassembled_builtin));
```

Comparing with the *qr* function I get *Q* and *R* values that match the values I computed in the previous part to some extent, but some positions are differing by small amounts or positive / negative. This could potentially be related to how matlab is handling the fractions as far as positivity and accuracy is concerned.

Both options do still properly reassemble to the original matrix *A* when multiplied together though.

Matlab values:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 & 493/2773 & 422/583 \\ -1/3 & -343/365 & -8/105 \\ 2/3 & -59/202 & 635/926 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 11/3 \\ 0 & -5521/631 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$QA = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 \\ -2 & 7 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is not correct. -4

- (c) **With the right hand side  $\vec{b} = [3, 9, 0]^T$ , use your "skinny" factorization from part a to find the least squares solution**

We can use  $\vec{b} = [3 \ 9 \ 0]^T$  To solve;

$$\begin{aligned} A &= AR \\ A\vec{x} &= \vec{b} \\ QR\vec{x} &= \vec{b} \\ R\vec{x} &= Q^T\vec{b} \end{aligned}$$

We can solve using matlab;

```
b = [3; 9; 0];
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b_proj = Q' * b;
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x_ls = R \ b_proj;
```

And we get a final value of;

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -1.3868 \\ 0.9057 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{incorrect answer, process looks fine. EC}$$

- (d) **With the same right hand side, use the full factorization that Matlab gave you in part b to find the least squares solution. Is this the same as your answer to part c? Calculate the 2-norm of the residual without actually calculating the residual**

We can use matlab to check the least squares solution as well;

```
b = [3; 9; 0];
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[Q, R] = qr(A, 0);
```

```
b_proj = Q' * b;
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```
x_ls = R \ b_proj;
```

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residual_norm = norm(b_proj(length(x_ls) + 1:end));
```

The result shows that we do get the same solution when using the least squares method;

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} -1.3868 \\ 0.9057 \end{bmatrix}$$

We then get the 2 norm of the residual is 0.

Your MATLAB answers and your residual are incor