

# DS 288: NUMERICAL METHODS

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Ch #3

## INTERPOLATION METHODS

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- STUDY QUESTIONS: SET 1 & 2

- MODEL MIDTERM POSTED

- POLYNOMIAL INTERPOLATION.

TWO USE CASES:

- APPROXIMATE BETWEEN "TABULAR" VALUES (DISCRETE POINTS & MISSING VALUES IN BETWEEN)

- APPROXIMATE COMPLEX FUNCTION WITH SIMPLER ONES

↳ QUICK EXAMPLE:

SECANT METHOD (APPROXIMATED THE  $f'$ )

Ch#2: MULLER'S METHOD:

APPROXIMATE  $f(x)$  WITH A QUADRATIC POLYNOMIAL

- WHY POLYNOMIALS?

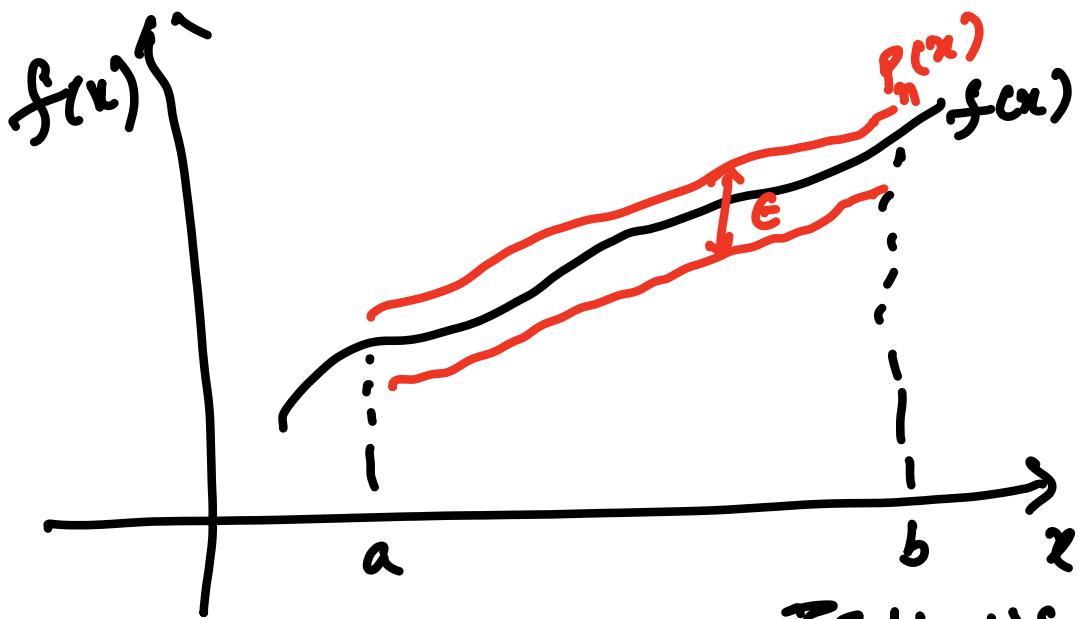
- EASY TO EVALUATE

- EASY TO INTEGRATE / DIFFERENTIATE

\* APPROXIMATION PRINCIPLE

IS BASED ON WEIERSTRASS APPROXIMATION THEOREM (3.1 IN TEXT)

If  $f$  IS CONTINUOUS ON  $[a, b]$   
 $\& \epsilon > 0$ , THEN A POLYNOMIAL  
P EXISTS ON  $[a, b] \ni$   
 $|f(x) - P| < \epsilon$



HOWEVER, DOES NOT TELL US  
HOW TO FIND  $P_n(x)$  OR EVEN  
THE ORDER( $n$ ) OF  $P_n(x)$

- ONE TYPE OF POLYNOMIAL IS A  
TAYLOR POLYNOMIAL

(i) GREAT FOR ANALYSIS SINCE  
TRUNCATION ERROR IS EXPLICIT

$$\epsilon \approx \frac{f^{n+1}(\zeta) (x-x_0)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \quad \zeta \in [x, x_0]$$

(ii) ALL INFORMATION ABOUT  $f(x)$  IS CONCENTRATED AROUND  $x_0$  (ALL DERIVATIVES ARE EVALUATED AT  $x_0$ )

(iii) LOCALLY VERY GOOD, BUT GETS WORSE AS  $|x - x_0|$  GROWS ( $\epsilon \sim (x - x_0)^{n+1}$ )

\* TRUNCATION ERROR = 0  
WHEN  $x = x_0$  (FUNCTION MATCHES ONLY AT  $x_0$ )

- A BETTER POLYNOMIAL FOR INTERPOLATION)  $P_n(x)$  MATCHES  $f(x)$  AT A FINITE NUMBER OF VALUES.

\*  $N^{\text{TH}}$  ORDER POLYNOMIAL

$$P_N(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$$

THE NO. OF UNKNOWN'S ( $a_i$ 'S)

$n+1$

\* If  $f(x_i) = P_N(x_i)$  THEN  
WE NEED  $n+1$   $x_i$ 'S TO FIND  
 $a_i$ 'S ( $n+1$  EQUATIONS &  $n+1$   
UNKNOWN'S)

Ex :-  $\underbrace{P_2(x)}_{\hookrightarrow \text{QUADRATIC}} = a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$

$x_1, x_2, x_3$  AND  $f(x_1), f(x_2), f(x_3)$   
WANT  $P_2(x_i) = f(x_i)$

$$a_2 x_1^2 + a_1 x_1 + a_0 = f(x_1)$$

$$a_2 x_2^2 + a_1 x_2 + a_0 = f(x_2)$$

$$a_2 x_3^2 + a_1 x_3 + a_0 = f(x_3)$$

$$a_2 x_3^2 + a_1 x_3 + a_0 = f(x_3)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 & x_1 & 1 \\ x_2^2 & x_2 & 1 \\ x_3^2 & x_3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ a_1 \\ a_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \\ f(x_3) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{x} \cdot \underline{a} = \underline{f}$$

Known

$$\underline{a} = \underline{x}^{-1} \underline{f}$$

- \* CAN GET A SOLUTION  $\underline{a}$
- \* SOLVING 'n' LINEAR SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS REQUIRES  $O(n^3)$  OPERATIONS
- \* GIVEN  $n+1$  DISTINCT SAMPLES OF  $f(x)$  (along with  $x_i$ 's), ONE CAN ALWAYS FIND A UNIQUE POLYNOMIAL OF ORDER 'n' SUCH THAT  $P_n(x_i) = f(x_i)$

- LINEAR SYSTEM OF EQUATIONS  
 - TEDIOUS.  $\text{FO}(n^3)$  OPERATIONS  
 WE WANT A QUICKER SOLUTION TO  
 FIND  $a_i$ 's.

SOLUTION: USE A BASIS POLYNOMIAL

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j b_j(x)$$

WHERE  $b_j(x) \equiv$  BASIS POLYNOMIAL  
 (A KNOWN FUNCTION OF  $x$ )

\*EX:  $b_j(x) = x^j$  THEN  $\alpha_j = a_j^*$

BY CLEVERLY CHOOSING  $\{b_j(x)\}$   
 WE CAN IDENTIFY  $\{\alpha_j\}$  EASILY.

$$\text{If } b_j(x_i) = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

KRONECKER DELTA.

$$P_N(x_i) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \alpha_j \delta_{ij} = \alpha_i$$

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$$f(x_i) = \alpha_i \quad (\text{known value})$$

$$P_N(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} f(x_j) b_j(x)$$

LEADS TO NUMBER OF POSSIBILITIES OF CHOOSING  $b_j(x)$  WITH THE PROPERTY  $b_j(x_i) = \delta_{ij}$   
REQUIRES  $O(N)$  OPERATIONS]

ONE EXAMPLE :-

### LAGRANGE POLYNOMIALS

$$L_{N,j}(x) = \prod_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(x - x_k)}{(x_j - x_k)}$$

$\nwarrow$  ORDER       $\swarrow$  CENTER     $k \neq j$

$$= \frac{x - x_0}{x_j - x_0} \cdot \frac{x - x_1}{x_j - x_1} \cdots \frac{x - x_n}{x_j - x_n}$$

*n TERMS  
MISSING K=j TERM*

$\Rightarrow n^{\text{TH}} \text{ ORDER POLYNOMIAL}$

If  $i=j$  THEN ALL TERMS ARE

$(x=x_j)$  UNITY

$$L_{n,j}(x_j) = 1$$

If  $i \neq j$  THEN ALL FACTORS

BUT ONE ARE NON-ZERO,  
ONE NUMERATOR IS ZERO = 0.

$$L_{n,j}(x_k) = 0 \quad j \neq k.$$

$$\boxed{L_{n,j}(x_i) = \delta_{ij}}$$

$$\text{RECALL } P_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} f(x_j) b_j(x)$$

$\downarrow$

$$L_{n,j}(x)$$

THERE ARE N+1  $b_j$ 'S FOR AN  $n^{\text{TH}}$  ORDER POLYNOMIAL

Ex :-  $P_3(x) = \underbrace{\sum_{j=0}^{3-1} f(x_j) L_{3,j}(x)}$

$$P_3(x) = f(x_0) L_{3,0}(x) + f(x_1) L_{3,1}(x)$$

$$+ f(x_2) L_{3,2}(x) + f(x_3) L_{3,3}(x)$$

$$L_{3,0}(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} \cdot \frac{x - x_2}{x_0 - x_2} \cdot \frac{x - x_3}{x_0 - x_3}$$

CUBIC POLYNOMIAL

$$L_{3,0}(x_0) = \frac{1}{f}$$

$$L_{3,0}(x_1) = 0 \quad L_{3,0}(x_2) = 0$$

$$L_{3,0}(x_3) = 0$$

HANDOUT ON  
LAGRANGE POLYNOMIAL

# Lagrange Interpolating Polynomials

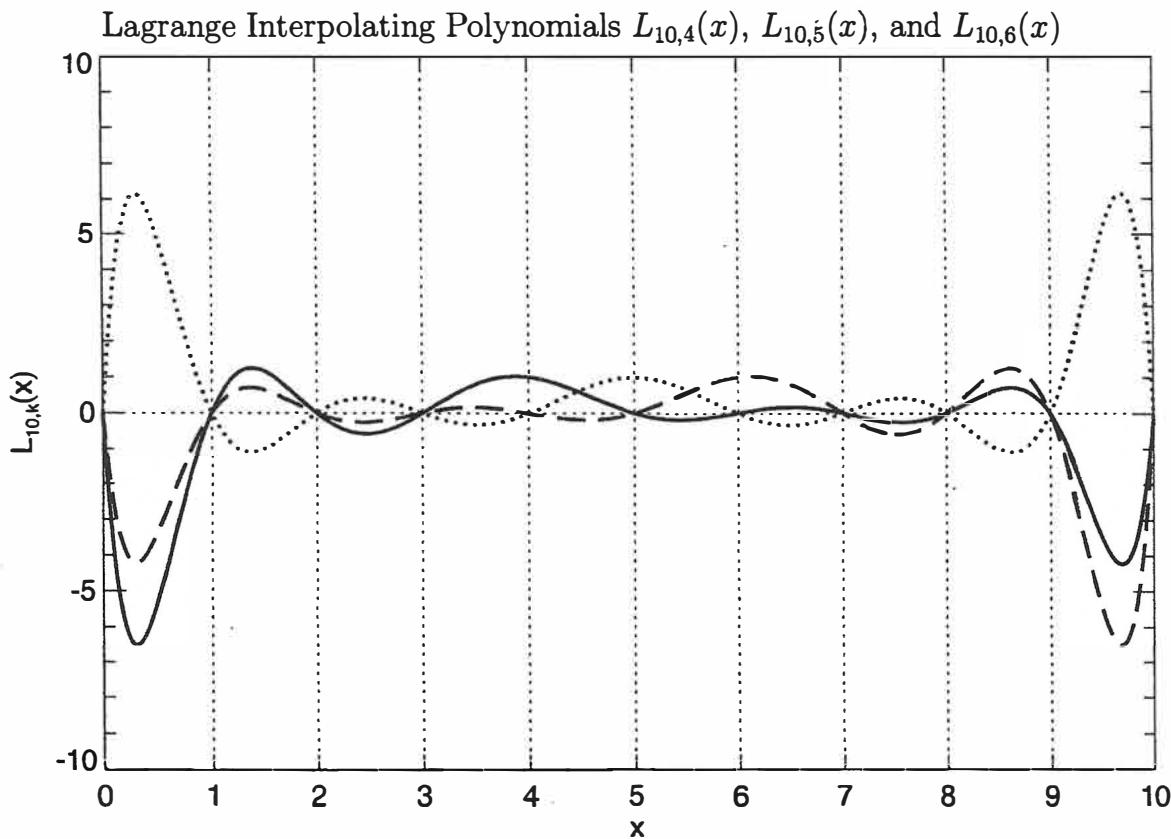
Definition:

$$L_{N,k}(x) = \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq k}}^N \frac{(x - x_i)}{(x_k - x_i)}$$

$N$  is the order of the polynomial

$k$  is the index of the center location of the polynomial (i.e.,  $x_k$ )

Example:



Note the desirable behavior of Lagrange interpolating polynomials:

$$L_{N,k}(x_i) = \delta_{ik} \equiv \begin{cases} 1 & i = k \\ 0 & i \neq k \end{cases}$$

Error term:

$$f(x) - P_N(x) = \frac{f^{(N+1)}(\xi)}{(N+1)!} \prod_{i=0}^N (x - x_i) \quad \xi \in [x_0, x_N]$$

\* EASY TO WRITE

BUT INEFFICIENT TO USE -

$$P_N(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) \underline{L_{n,j}(x)}$$

USING A WEIGHTED SUM OF \*

\*  $n+1$   $n^{\text{TH}}$  ORDER POLYNOMIALS \*

$\Rightarrow n^{\text{TH}}$  ORDER POLYNOMIAL

ERROR TERM :

$$f(x) - P_N(x) = \frac{f^{n+1}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} \prod_{i=0}^n (x-x_i)$$

$\xi \in [x_0, x_n]$  EXERCISE

COMPARE WITH TAYLOR POLYNOMIAL

$$\frac{f^{n+1}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} (x-x_0)^{n+1}$$

INFORMATION CONCENTRATED AT  $x_0$

LAGRANGE :      INTERPOLATION

$$\frac{f^{n+1}(i)}{(n+1)!} (x-x_0)(x-x_1) \dots (x-x_n)$$

CHEBYSHEV OPTIMAL POINTS

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— BASED ON ROOTS OF  
CHEBYSHEV POLYNOMIALS

HAND OUT OF  
\* CHEBYSHEV POLYNOMIALS

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## Chebyshev Polynomials

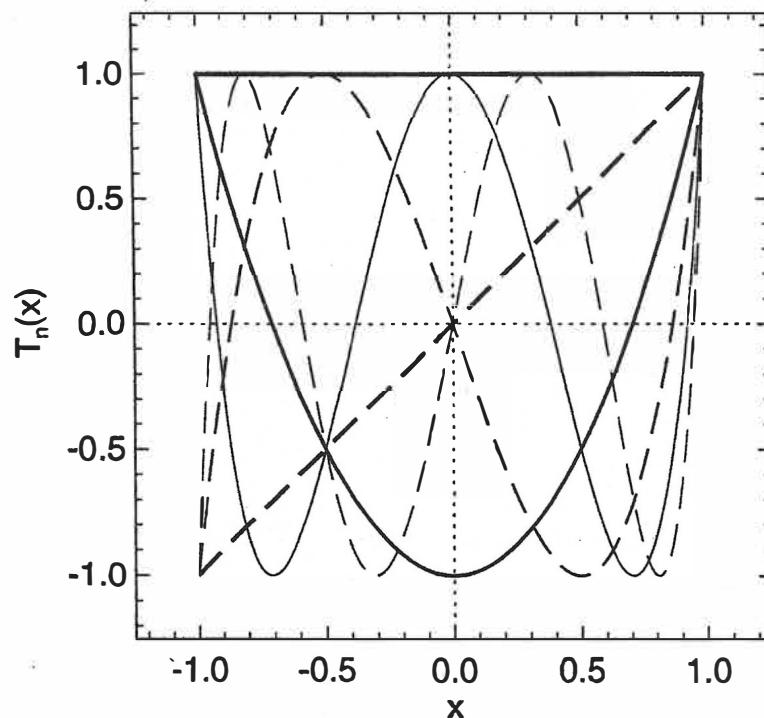
Definition:

$$T_n(x) = \cos[n \arccos x] \quad n \geq 0$$

Recursion relation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_0(x) &= 1 \\
 T_1(x) &= x \\
 T_2(x) &= 2x^2 - 1 \\
 T_3(x) &= 4x^3 - 3x \\
 T_4(x) &= 8x^4 - 8x^2 + 1 \\
 T_5(x) &= 16x^5 - 12x^3 + 5x \\
 &\vdots && \vdots \\
 T_{n+1}(x) &= 2xT_n(x) - T_{n-1}(x) \quad n \geq 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Chebyshev Polynomials  $T_n(x)$  for  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$



## MOTIVATION:

- TAYLOR AT  $x_0$
- LAGRANGE  $\{x_i\}$

DOES THERE EXIST A SET OF POINTS  $\{x_i\}$  FOR WHICH THE "OPTIMAL" INTERPOLATION IS ACHIEVED FOR LAGRANGE POLYNOMIALS?

- OPTIMAL IS DEFINED AS MINIMIZING THE MAXIMUM

$$f(x) - P_N(x) = \underbrace{\frac{f^{n+1}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} \prod_{i=0}^n (x - x_i)}_{\text{FIXED}} \underbrace{\text{MINIMIZE}}_{\text{MINIMIZATION}}$$

CAN PROVE (IN TEXT) A MINIMAL  
MAXIMUM EXISTS ON  $[-1, 1]$  IF  
WE USE THE ROOTS OF THE.

$N^{\text{TH}}$  ORDER CHEBYSHEV POLYNOMIAL  
FOR  $\{x_i\}$

$$\bar{x}_i = \cos \left[ \frac{(2i+1)\pi}{2(N+1)} \right]$$

$$i=0, 1, \dots, N$$

FOR A GENERAL INTERVAL  $[a, b]$

$$x_i = \frac{a+b}{2} + \frac{b-a}{2} \bar{x}_i$$

OPTIMAL SAMPLE POINTS FOR  
 $f(x)$  ON  $[a, b]$

\* NOT ALWAYS POSSIBLE TO  
SAMPLE  $f(x)$  AT THESE  $\{x_i\}$ 'S  
[EXAMPLE IN TEXT BOOK]

## ITERATIVE INTERPOLATION (§3.1)

- PRODUCE HIGHER ORDER POLYNOMIALS FROM COMBINATIONS OF LOWER ORDER POLYNOMIALS.

- HOW DOES THIS WORK?

LOOK AT LAGRANGE POLYNOMIALS

$$P_N(x) = \sum_{j=0}^N f(x_j) b_j(x)$$

$$b_j(x) = L_{N,j}(x) = \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq j}}^N \frac{(x - x_i)}{(x_j - x_i)}$$

LOOK AT SOME TERMS

$$P_0(x) = f(x_0) b_0(x) = f(x_0) -$$

↑  
NOT ORDER OF POLYNOMIAL  
A POINT AT WHICH  $x_0$  IS

$$\begin{aligned} P_{0,1}(x) &= f(x_0) b_0(x) + f(x_1) b_1(x) \\ &= f(x_0) \frac{(x - x_1)}{x_0 - x_1} + f(x_1) \frac{(x - x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} \end{aligned}$$

2 TERMS

$$= \frac{P_1(x)(x-x_0) - P_0(x)(x-x_1)}{(x_1 - x_0)}$$

W.H.F.R.E  $P_1(x) = f(x_1) b_1(x) = f(x_1)$

↑ NOT ORDER OF POLYNOMIAL

N FVILLE'S METHOD

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