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# Lagrange interpolation

1)  $(x_0, y_0) \quad (x_1, y_1) \quad (x_2, y_2)$

$$y_0(x_1 - x_2) + y_1(x_2 - x_0) + y_2(x_0 - x_1)$$

$$\frac{(x_1 - x_2)(x_2 - x_0)(x_0 - x_1)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_0 x + y_1 x_1 + y_2 x_2$$

$$\frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)}$$

$\Rightarrow$  No reuse.

$x_1 \neq x_2$   
 $\Rightarrow$  calculate from scratch.

## 2) Naville's method

$\left\{ \begin{matrix} x_0 & y_0 \\ x_1 & y_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & y_n \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow P_{i,j-1}$

$\Rightarrow$  claim

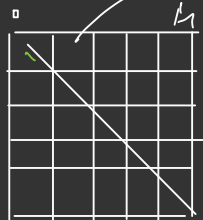
$$P_{i,j} = \frac{P_{i+1,j}(x - x_i)}{x_j - x_i} + \frac{P_{i,j-1}(x - x_j)}{x_i - x_j}$$

$$P_{ij} = \begin{cases} y_i & x = x_i \\ y_j & x = x_j \\ y_k & x_k \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{x_k - x_i}{x_j - x_i} + \frac{x_k - x_j}{x_i - x_j} = 1$$

Base case

$$P_{ii} = y_i$$



$$P_{0,1} = P_{1,0}$$

Aside

Interpolation & Accuracy

sample

$x = 1.5$

linear polynomial

1.3, 1.6

$$P_1(1.5) = \frac{1.5 - 1.6}{1.3 - 1.6} f(1.3) + \frac{(1.5 - 1.3)}{1.6 - 1.3} f(1.6)$$

$$\approx 0.5102$$

$P_3$  (most accurate)  
 $\hat{P}_3$

$$P_2(1.5) = \approx 0.51128$$

$$\hat{P}_2(1.5) = \approx 0.5124$$

$$P_4 = 0.51182$$

$$1.5 = 0.5118277$$

$x$	$f(x)$
1.0	0.76
1.3	0.62
1.6	0.45
1.9	0.29
2.2	0.11

degree

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Algorithm:

Input  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1) \dots (x_n, y_n), x$

for  $k=0$  to  $n$

$$P_{kk} = y_k$$

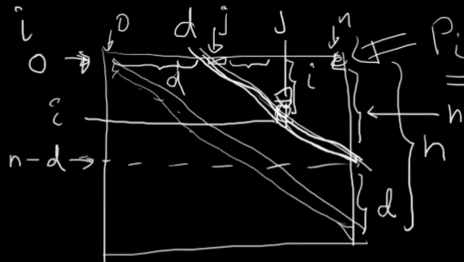
for  $d=1$  to  $n$

for  $i=0$  to  $n-d$

$$j = d + i$$

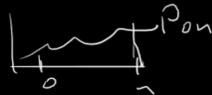
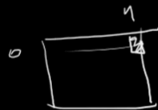
$$P_{ij} = \frac{P_{i+1,j}(x-x_i) - P_{i,j-1}(x-x_j)}{x_j - x_i}$$

return  $P_{0n}$



$$P_{kk} = y_k$$

$$j = d + i$$



1)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$  ;  $x = 81$  (0) (1) (2) ...  $p_{01} = 0.08072$

16 — 0.25

64 — 0.125

100 — 0.1

(16) 0

(64) 1

(100) 2

	0	1	2
0	0.25		
1		0.125	
2			0.1

0.1058

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$$p_{ij} = \frac{p_{i+1,j} (x - x_i)}{x_j - x_i} + \frac{p_{i,j-1} (x - x_j)}{x_i - x_j}$$

$$p_{01} = p_{11} \cdot 0 + 0 \cdot p_{00}$$

$$\frac{81 - 16}{64 - 16} \cdot 0.125 + \frac{81 - 64}{16 - 64} \cdot 0.25$$

2)  $x \quad y$

1	-6
2	2
4	12

$x=3!$

	-6	2	12
-6			
2			
12			

$$\frac{(x_1 - x) p_{00} + x - x_1 \cdot p_{11}}{x_1 - x_0} = \frac{6 + 4}{1} = 10$$

Newton's method

$x$	0	1	-1	2	-2
$y$	-5	-3	-15	39	-9

**EXAMPLE 3** Using the Newton algorithm, find the interpolating polynomial of least degree for this table:

$x$	0	1	-1	2	-2
$y$	-5	-3	-15	39	-9

**Solution** In the construction, five successive polynomials appear; these are labeled  $p_0$ ,  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3$ , and  $p_4$ . The polynomial  $p_0$  is defined to be

$$p_0(x) = -5$$

#### Polynomials

$p_0$ ,  $p_1$ ,  $p_2$ ,  $p_3$ ,  $p_4$

The polynomial  $p_1$  has the form

$$p_1(x) = p_0(x) + c(x - x_0) = -5 + c(x - 0)$$

The interpolation condition placed on  $p_1$  is that  $p_1(1) = -3$ . Therefore, we have  $-5 + c(1 - 0) = -3$ . Hence,  $c = 2$ , and  $p_1$  is

$$p_1(x) = -5 + 2x$$

The polynomial  $p_2$  has the form

$$p_2(x) = p_1(x) + c(x - x_0)(x - x_1) = -5 + 2x + cx(x - 1)$$

The interpolation condition placed on  $p_2$  is that  $p_2(-1) = -15$ . Hence, we have  $-5 + 2(-1) + c(-1)(-1 - 1) = -15$ . This yields  $c = -4$ , so

$$p_2(x) = -5 + 2x - 4x(x - 1)$$

The remaining steps for  $p_3(x)$  are similar. The final result is the Newton form of the interpolating polynomial:

$$p_4(x) = -5 + 2x - 4x(x - 1) + 8x(x - 1)(x + 1) + 3x(x - 1)(x + 1)(x - 2) \quad \blacksquare$$

Derivation:

$$P_n(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + a_2(x-x_0)(x-x_1) + \dots$$

$$P_n(x_0) = a_0 = y_0 = f(x_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_n(x_1) &= a_0 + a_1(x_1 - x_0) \\ &= a_0 + a_1(x_1 - x_0) = y_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} = f'(x_0, x_1)$$

$$f(x_0) = y_0, \quad f(x_1) = y_1$$

$$f(x_0, x_1) = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}$$

$$f(x_0, x_1, x_2) = \frac{f(x_1, x_2) - f(x_0, x_1)}{x_2 - x_0}$$

$$a_2 = f[x_0, x_1, x_2]$$

$$a_3 = f(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

Ex:

$$\begin{array}{l} x_0 = 1, \quad x_1 = 2, \quad x_2 = 3 \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} y_0 = -6 \\ y_1 = 2 \\ y_2 = 12 \end{array} \right\} \end{array} \quad \begin{aligned} f(x) &= a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) \\ &\quad + a_2(x-x_0)(x-x_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$a_0 = -6$$

$$a_1 = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} = 8; \quad f(x_0, x_1) = 5$$

$$f(x_0, x_1) = \frac{f(x_1, x_2) - f(x_0, x_1)}{x_2 - x_0} = -1$$

$$f(x) = -6 + 8(x-1) + (x^2 - 3x + 2)$$

$$= -x^2 + 11x - 16$$


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$(3, -10)$  add one more point

$$\begin{matrix} (x_0, y_0) \\ (x_1, y_1) \end{matrix} \leftarrow f(x_0, \dots, x_3)$$

$$f(x_1) = -10$$

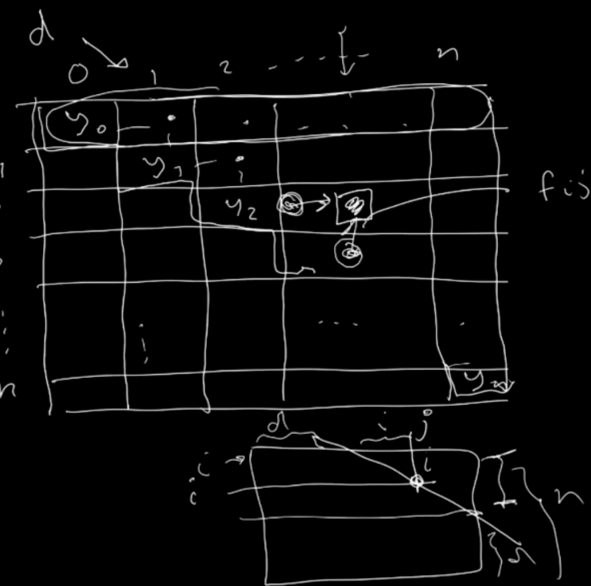
$$f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{-10 - 16}{3 - 4} = 26$$

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{26 - 5}{3 - 2} = 21$$

$$a_3 = \frac{21 + 1}{3 - 1} = 9 //$$

$$-x^2 + 11x - 16 + 9(x^3 - 7x^2 + 14x - 8)$$





Algorithm Divided Diff

Input  $(x_0, y_0) \dots (x_n, y_n)$

Output:  $a_0, \dots, a_n$

// notice:  $f_{ij} = f[x_i, \dots, x_j]$

for  $i = 0$  to  $n$

$f_{ii} = y_i$

for  $d = 1$  to  $n$

for  $i = 0$  to  $n - d$

$j = i + d$

$$f_{ij} = \frac{f_{i+1,j} - f_{i,j-1}}{x_j - x_i}$$