

Ch8 #3

Prove that $w_{n+1}'(x_i) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n (x_i - x_j)$, where $w_{n+1}(x) = \prod_{i=0}^n (x - x_i)$

$$w_{n+1}(x) = \prod_{i=0}^n (x - x_i) = (x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{n-1})(x - x_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow w_{n+1}'(x) &= (x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_{n-1})(x - x_n) + \\ &\quad (x - x_0)(x - x_2)(x - x_3) \dots (x - x_{n-1})(x - x_n) + \\ &\quad (x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_3) \dots (x - x_{n-1})(x - x_n) + \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &\quad (x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_{n-2})(x - x_n) + \\ &\quad (x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_{n-2})(x - x_{n-1}) = \sum_{i=0}^n \left(\prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n (x - x_j) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{When } x = x_i, w_{n+1}'(x_i) = \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq k}}^n (x_i - x_j) \right) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n (x_i - x_j) \quad (\text{其它项皆包含 } (x_i - x_i))$$