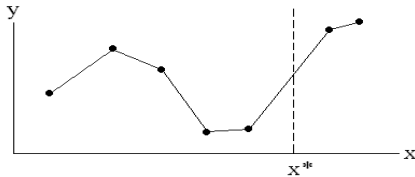


3 Interpolation

Given: $\{(x_k, y_k), k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N\}$

Find: $y(x^*)$ for some $x^* \in [Min(x_k), Max(x_k)]$



- simplest method: piecewise linear interpolation

§ Polynomial Approximation

Theorem (Weierstrass Approximation Theorem --- existence)

If $f \in C[a, b]$ and given $\varepsilon > 0$, then there exists a polynomial $P(x)$ defined on $[a, b]$ with the property that $|f(x) - P(x)| < \varepsilon$ for all $x \in [a, b]$.

Given: $\{(x_k, y_k), k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N\}$

Solution: find the unique polynomial of degree N , $P_N(x)$, passing through all these $(N+1)$ points.

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

Definition: Lagrange interpolating polynomial

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

$$= \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{k-1})(x - x_{k+1}) \dots (x - x_N)}{(x_k - x_0)(x_k - x_1) \dots (x_k - x_{k-1})(x_k - x_{k+1}) \dots (x_k - x_N)}$$

- polynomial of degree N

$$L_{N,k}(x_j) = \delta_{jk} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } j = k \\ 0 & \text{if } j \neq k \end{cases} \quad P_N(x) = \sum_{k=0}^N y_k * L_{N,k}(x)$$

Consequently

$$P_N(x_j) = \sum_{k=0}^N y_k * L_{N,k}(x_j) = \sum_{k=0}^N y_k * \delta_{jk} = y_j, \text{ for all } j$$

Theorem If x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N are distinct numbers in $[a, b]$ and $f \in C^{N+1}[a, b]$, then for each $x \in [a, b]$, $\exists \xi \in [a, b]$ such that

$$f(x) = P_N(x) + \frac{f^{(N+1)}(\xi)}{(N+1)!} (x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_N)$$

§ piecewise linear interpolation

~ use $P_1(x)$ between two adjacent points, i.e. for $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$

$$\text{Lagrange error} = \left| \frac{f''(\xi)}{2!} (x - x_i)(x - x_{i+1}) \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{\max(f'')}{2} \text{Max}_{x_i \leq x \leq x_{i+1}} |(x - x_i)(x - x_{i+1})|$$

$$= \frac{\max(f'')}{2} \cdot \frac{(x_{i+1} - x_i)^2}{4} \sim O(\Delta x^2)$$

§ N^{th} Polynomial approximation

$$\text{Lagrange error} = \left| \frac{f^{(N+1)}(\xi)}{(N+1)!} \prod_{i=0}^N (x-x_i) \right|$$

depending on the choices of nodes

Consider $[a,b]=[-1,1]$

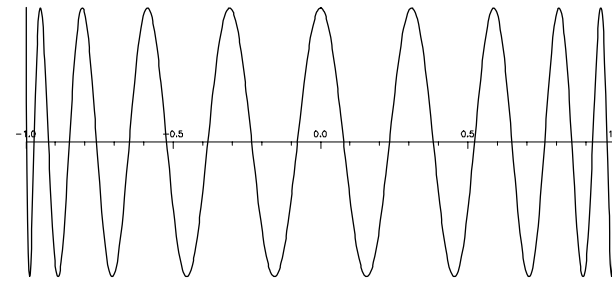
(i) uniformly spaced nodes: $x_{k+1} - x_k = \text{constant}$; $x_k = \frac{2k}{N} - 1, k = 0, 1, \dots, N$

(ii) Chebychev nodes: $x_k = \text{roots of the } N+1^{\text{th}} \text{ Chebychev polynomial}$

$$T_{N+1}(x) \equiv \cos((N+1)\cos^{-1}x)$$

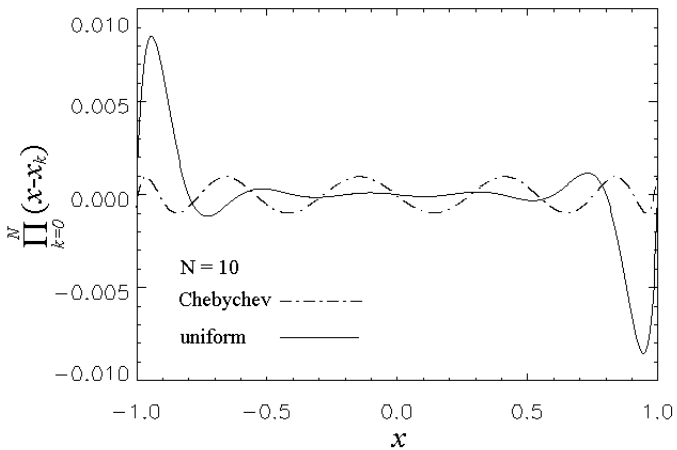
$$(N+1)\cos^{-1}x_k = \frac{\pi}{2} + k\pi, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, N$$

$T_{20}(x)$



The Chebychev nodes minimize the maximum absolute value of

$$\left| \prod_{i=0}^N (x-x_i) \right| \Rightarrow \text{Min}_{\text{all sets of nodes}} \left\{ \text{Max}_{a \leq x \leq b} \left| \prod_{i=0}^N (x-x_i) \right| \right\} = 2^{-N}$$



§ Nevill's method --- computing higher-order polynomial based on lower-order polynomials

Define $P_{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k}(x) \equiv$ the polynomial of degree $k-1$ passing through the points $(x_{m_1}, y_{m_1}), (x_{m_2}, y_{m_2}), \dots, (x_{m_k}, y_{m_k})$

e.g. $\{m_k\}_{k=1}^3 = \{1, 2, 4\}$

$P_{1,2,4}(x) =$ the polynomial of degree 2 passing through the points $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_4, y_4)$

- Construct the N^{th} order polynomial using the $(N-1)^{\text{th}}$ polynomials

$$P_{0,1,\dots,N}(x) = \frac{(x-x_j)P_{0,1,\dots,j-1,j+1,\dots,N}(x) - (x-x_i)P_{0,1,\dots,i-1,i+1,\dots,N}(x)}{(x_i-x_j)}$$

$$P_0(x) = y_0$$

$$P_1(x) = y_1 \quad P_{0,1}(x)$$

$$P_2(x) = y_2 \quad P_{1,2}(x) \quad P_{0,1,2}(x)$$

$$P_3(x) = y_3 \quad P_{2,3}(x) \quad P_{1,2,3}(x) \quad P_{0,1,2,3}(x)$$

$$P_4(x) = y_4 \quad P_{3,4}(x) \quad P_{2,3,4}(x) \quad P_{1,2,3,4}(x) \quad P_{0,1,2,3,4}(x)$$

$$P_{0,1,\dots,N}(x) = \frac{(x-x_j)P_{0,1,\dots,j-1,j+1,\dots,N}(x) - (x-x_i)P_{0,1,\dots,i-1,i+1,\dots,N}(x)}{(x_i-x_j)}$$

Because $P_{0,1,\dots,j-1,j+1,N}(x_k) = y_k$ for $k \neq j$

$P_{0,1,\dots,i-1,i+1,N}(x_k) = y_k$ for $k \neq i$

- $P_{0,1,\dots,N}(x_k) = \frac{(x_k-x_j)y_k - (x_k-x_i)y_k}{(x_i-x_j)} = y_k$ for $k \neq i, j$

- $P_{0,1,\dots,N}(x_i) = \frac{(x_i-x_j)y_i - (x_i-x_i)P_{0,1,\dots,i-1,i+1,N}(x_i)}{(x_i-x_j)} = y_i$

- $P_{0,1,\dots,N}(x_j) = \frac{(x_j-x_j)P_{0,1,\dots,j-1,j+1,N}(x_j) - (x_j-x_i)y_j}{(x_i-x_j)} = y_j$

§ Newton form of interpolation polynomial

Given: x^*

Find: $P_N(x^*)$

Write: $P_N(x) = \sum_{k=0}^N \left\{ a_k \prod_{i=0}^{k-1} (x-x_i) \right\}$

$$= a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + a_2(x-x_0)(x-x_1) + a_3(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2) + \dots + a_N(x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_{N-1})$$

$$P_N(x) = a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + a_2(x-x_0)(x-x_1) + a_3(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2) + \dots + a_N(x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_{N-1})$$

$$= a_0 + (x-x_0) \left\{ a_1 + a_2(x-x_1) + a_3(x-x_1)(x-x_2) + \dots \right\}$$

$$= a_0 + (x-x_0) \left\{ a_1 + (x-x_1) [a_2 + a_3(x-x_2) + \dots + a_N(x-x_2)\dots(x-x_{N-1})] \right\}$$

$$P_N(x) = a_0 + (x-x_0) * \left\{ \left[\left[\left[\left[a_1 + (x-x_1) * \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left[a_2 + (x-x_2) * \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left[a_3 + \dots \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left[a_{N-2} + (x-x_{N-2}) * \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \right. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left. \left[(a_{N-1} + a_N(x-x_{N-1})) \right] \right] \right] \right] \right] \right] \right\}$$

nested multiplication

§ Newton form of interpolation polynomial

$$P_N(x^*) = a_0 + (x^* - x_0) * \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_1 + (x^* - x_1) * \\ a_2 + (x^* - x_2) * \\ \left[a_3 + \dots \right. \\ \left. \left[a_{N-2} + (x^* - x_{N-2}) * \right. \right] \\ \left. \left[\left[a_{N-1} + a_N (x^* - x_{N-1}) \right] \right] \right\} \end{array} \right.$$

STEP1: compute all $a_k, k = 0, 1, \dots, N$

STEP 2: $b_N = a_N$

$$b_{N-1} = a_{N-1} + a_N (x^* - x_{N-1}) = a_{N-1} + b_N (x^* - x_{N-1})$$

$$b_{N-2} = a_{N-2} + (x^* - x_{N-2}) b_{N-1}$$

$$b_k = a_k + b_{k+1} (x^* - x_k), \quad k = N-1, N-2, \dots, 1, 0 \quad \boxed{P_N(x^*) = b_0}$$

STEP1: compute all $a_k, k = 0, 1, \dots, N$

Define Newton's divided difference :

$$f[x_i] \equiv y_i$$

$$f[x_i, x_{i+1}] \equiv \frac{f[x_{i+1}] - f[x_i]}{x_{i+1} - x_i}$$

$$f[x_i, x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}] \equiv \frac{f[x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}] - f[x_i, x_{i+1}]}{x_{i+2} - x_i}$$

$$f[x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+k}] \equiv \frac{f[x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+k}] - f[x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+k-1}]}{x_{i+k} - x_i}$$

$$P_N(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + a_3(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) + \dots + a_N(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{N-1})$$

(i) $P_N(x_0) = a_0 = y_0 = f[x_0]$

(ii) $P_N(x_1) = a_0 + a_1(x_1 - x_0) = y_1 = f[x_1] \quad a_1 = \frac{f[x_1] - f[x_0]}{x_1 - x_0} = f[x_0, x_1]$

(iii) $P_N(x_2) = a_0 + a_1(x_2 - x_0) + a_2(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) = y_2$

$$f[x_0] + f[x_0, x_1](x_2 - x_0) + a_2(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) = f[x_2]$$

$$a_2(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) = f[x_2] - f[x_0] - f[x_0, x_1](x_2 - x_0)$$

$$a_2(x_2 - x_1) = \frac{f[x_2] - f[x_0]}{x_2 - x_0} - f[x_0, x_1]$$

$$a_2 = \frac{f[x_0, x_2] - f[x_0, x_1]}{x_2 - x_1} = f[x_0, x_1, x_2]$$

$$a_k = f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k]$$

$$f[x_0] \equiv y_0 = a_0$$

$$f[x_1] \equiv y_1 \quad f[x_0, x_1] = a_1$$

$$f[x_2] \equiv y_2 \quad f[x_1, x_2] \quad f[x_0, x_1, x_2] = a_2$$

$$f[x_3] \equiv y_3 \quad f[x_2, x_3] \quad f[x_1, x_2, x_3] \quad f[x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3] = a_3$$

$$P_N(x) = \sum_{k=0}^N a_k \prod_{i=0}^{k-1} (x - x_i)$$

$$\boxed{P_N(x^*) = b_0}$$

$$b_N = a_N$$

$$b_k = a_k + b_{k+1}(x^* - x_k), \quad k = N-1, N-2, \dots, 1, 0$$

§ Hermite interpolation

Given: $f(x_k)$ and $f'(x_k)$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, N$

Find: a polynomial passing all the points with the given slopes

Theorem: If $f \in C^1[a, b]$ and x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N are distinct, the unique polynomial of least degree agreeing f and f' at x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N is the polynomial of degree $2N + 1$ given by

$$H_{2N+1}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^N f(x_j) H_{N,j}(x) + \sum_{j=0}^N f'(x_j) \hat{H}_{N,j}(x)$$

$$H_{N,j}(x) = \left\{ 1 - 2(x - x_j) L'_{N,j}(x_j) \right\} * L_{N,j}^2(x)$$

$$\hat{H}_{N,j}(x) = (x - x_j) * L_{N,j}^2(x)$$

Theorem: If $f \in C^{2N+2}[a, b]$, then $\exists \xi \in [a, b] \ni$

$$f(x) = H_{2N+1}(x) + \frac{f^{(2N+2)}(\xi)}{(2N+2)!} \cdot \prod_{i=0}^N (x - x_i)^2$$

$H_{2N+1}(x)$ is called the Hermite polynomial.

§ Newton's form of Hermite polynomial

Define $\hat{x}_{2k} = \hat{x}_{2k+1} = x_k$, i.e. $\{\hat{x}_k\}_{k=0}^{2N} = \{x_0, x_0, x_1, x_1, x_2, x_2, \dots\}$

$$H_{2N+1}(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - \hat{x}_0) + a_2(x - \hat{x}_0)(x - \hat{x}_1) + a_3(x - \hat{x}_0)(x - \hat{x}_1)(x - \hat{x}_2) + \dots$$

$$= a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)^2 + a_3(x - x_0)^2(x - x_1) + a_4(x - x_0)^2(x - x_1)^2 + \dots$$

$$= a_0 + (x - \hat{x}_0) \{ a_1 + (x - \hat{x}_1) \{ a_2 + (x - \hat{x}_2) \{ \dots [a_{2N-1} + (x - \hat{x}_{2N-1}) (a_{2N} + a_{2N+1}(x - \hat{x}_{2N}))] \} \} \}$$

Given: $x^* \in [a, b]$

Want: $f(x^*) \approx H_{2N+1}(x^*) = ?$

STEP 1: find a_k , $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 2N + 1$

STEP 2: $b_{2N+1} = a_{2N+1}$

$$b_k = a_k + b_{k+1} * (x^* - x_k) \text{ for } k = 2N, 2N - 1, \dots, 1, 0$$

$$b_0 = H_{2N+1}(x^*)$$

§ Newton's form of Hermite polynomial

Define $\hat{x}_{2k} = \hat{x}_{2k+1} = x_k$, i.e. $\{\hat{x}_k\}_{k=0}^{2N} = \{x_0, x_0, x_1, x_1, x_2, x_2, \dots\}$

Define $f[\hat{x}_{2k}] = f[\hat{x}_{2k+1}] = f(x_k)$

$$\text{Define } \begin{cases} f[\hat{x}_{2k}, \hat{x}_{2k+1}] = f'(x_k) \\ f[\hat{x}_{2k-1}, \hat{x}_{2k}] = \frac{f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})}{x_k - x_{k-1}} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Define } f[\hat{x}_i, \hat{x}_{i+1}, \dots, \hat{x}_{i+k}] = \frac{f[\hat{x}_{i+1}, \hat{x}_{i+2}, \dots, \hat{x}_{i+k}] - f[\hat{x}_i, \hat{x}_{i+1}, \dots, \hat{x}_{i+k-1}]}{\hat{x}_{i+k} - \hat{x}_i}$$

for $k \geq 3$

$\hat{x}_k :$	\hat{x}_0	\hat{x}_1	\hat{x}_2	\hat{x}_3	\hat{x}_4	\hat{x}_5	...
$x_k :$	x_0	x_0	x_1	x_1	x_2	x_2	...
1st :	$f(x_0)$	$f(x_0)$	$f(x_1)$	$f(x_1)$	$f(x_2)$	$f(x_2)$...
2nd :		$f'(x_0)$	DD	$f'(x_1)$	DD	$f'(x_2)$...
3rd :			DD	DD	DD	DD	...

$a_k = f[\hat{x}_0, \hat{x}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_k]$

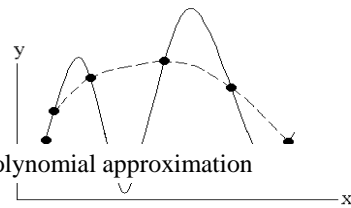
DD: Newton divided difference

§ Cubic spline interpolation ~ piecewise cubic polynomials

Given: $(x_k, y_k = f(x_k))$, $k = 0$

high-order polynomials \Rightarrow o

Alternative choice: piecewise polynomial approximation



Piecewise linear interpolation:

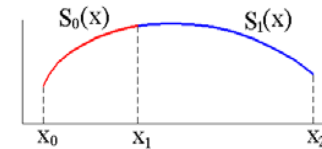
disadvantage: discontinuous first derivatives at nodes in general

Piecewise cubic interpolation:

Goal: continuous 1st and 2nd derivatives at nodes

Use a cubic polynomial to fit for each subinterval, $S_k(x)$

for $x \in [x_k, x_{k+1}]$



$$C^0: S_0(x_0) = y_0 \quad S_0(x_1) = y_1$$

$$S_1(x_1) = y_1 \quad S_1(x_2) = y_2$$

$$C^1: S_0'(x_1) = S_1'(x_1)$$

$$C^2: S_0''(x_1) = S_1''(x_1)$$

6 constraints

8 degrees of freedom

Cubic Spline Interpolation:

Let $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{N-1} < x_N = b$. A **cubic** spline interpolant $S(x)$ for $f(x)$ is a function that satisfies the following conditions:

(i) $S(x)$ is a cubic polynomial on the interval $[x_k, x_{k+1}]$,

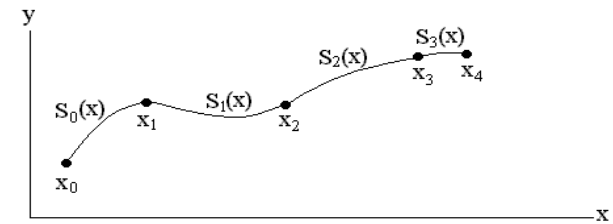
denoted by $S_k(x)$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

(ii) $S_k(x_k) = y_k$ and $S_k(x_{k+1}) = y_{k+1}$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ 2N

(iii) $S'_k(x_{k+1}) = S'_{k+1}(x_{k+1})$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-2$ N-1

(iv) $S''_k(x_{k+1}) = S''_{k+1}(x_{k+1})$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-2$ N-1

4N degrees of freedom!



boundary conditions:

(a) free or natural spline: $S''_0(x_0) = S''_{N-1}(x_N) = 0$

(b) clamped spline: $S'_0(x_0) = f'(x_0)$ and $S'_{N-1}(x_N) = f'(x_N)$

for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

write $S_k(x) = a_k + b_k(x - x_k) + c_k(x - x_k)^2 + d_k(x - x_k)^3$

$$S'_k(x) = b_k + 2c_k(x - x_k) + 3d_k(x - x_k)^2$$

$$S''_k(x) = 2c_k + 6d_k(x - x_k)$$

define $h_k \equiv x_{k+1} - x_k$ for $k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$

$$C^0: S_k(x_k) = a_k = y_k$$

$$S_k(x_{k+1}) = a_k + b_k h_k + c_k h_k^2 + d_k h_k^3 = y_{k+1}$$

for $k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$

C^1 : for $k = 0, 1, \dots, N-2$

$$S'_k(x) = b_k + 2c_k(x - x_k) + 3d_k(x - x_k)^2$$

$$S'_{k+1}(x) = b_{k+1} + 2c_{k+1}(x - x_{k+1}) + 3d_{k+1}(x - x_{k+1})^2$$

$$S'_k(x_{k+1}) = b_k + 2c_k h_k + 3d_k h_k^2$$

$$S'_{k+1}(x_{k+1}) = b_{k+1}$$

$$b_k + 2c_k h_k + 3d_k h_k^2 = b_{k+1}$$

C^2 : for $k = 0, 1, \dots, N-2$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} S''_k(x) &= 2c_k + 6d_k(x - x_k) \\ S''_{k+1}(x) &= 2c_{k+1} + 6d_{k+1}(x - x_{k+1}) \end{aligned} \right\} 2c_k + 6d_k h_k = 2c_{k+1}$$

Summary:

$$(i) \quad y_k = a_k \quad (k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1)$$

$$(ii) \quad y_{k+1} = a_k + b_k h_k + c_k h_k^2 + d_k h_k^3 \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1)$$

$$(iii) \quad b_k + 2c_k h_k + 3d_k h_k^2 = b_{k+1} \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, N-2)$$

$$(iv) \quad 2c_k + 6d_k h_k = 2c_{k+1} \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots, N-2)$$

$$\text{From (iv): } d_k = d_k(\vec{c}) \quad (v)$$

$$\text{Substitute (v) into (ii): } b_k = b_k(\vec{a}, \vec{c}) \quad (vi)$$

$$\text{Substitute (v)(vi) into (iii): } c_k = c_k(\vec{a}, \vec{c})$$

For $k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

$$h_{k-1}c_{k-1} + 2(h_{k-1} + h_k)c_k + h_k c_{k+1} = \frac{3}{h_k}(a_{k+1} - a_k) - \frac{3}{h_{k-1}}(a_k - a_{k-1})$$

$$a_N \equiv S_{N-1}(x_N) = y_N = a_{N-1} + b_{N-1}h_{N-1} + c_{N-1}h_{N-1}^2 + d_{N-1}h_{N-1}^3$$

$$2c_N \equiv S''_{N-1}(x_N) = 2c_{N-1} + 6d_{N-1}h_{N-1}$$

~ (N-1) equations for (N+1) unknowns $\{c_k\}_{k=0}^N$

boundary conditions:

$$(a) \text{ free or natural spline: } S''_0(x_0) = S''_{N-1}(x_N) = 0$$

$$c_0 = c_N = 0$$

$$(b) \text{ clamped spline: } S'_0(x_0) = f'(x_0) \text{ and } S'_{N-1}(x_N) = f'(x_N)$$

$$S'_0(x_0) = b_0 = f'(x_0), \quad S'_{N-1}(x_N) = b_{N-1} + 2c_{N-1}h_{N-1} + 3d_{N-1}h_{N-1}^2 = f'(x_N)$$

(a) free or natural spline: $c_0 = c_N = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ h_0 & 2(h_0 + h_1) & h_1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & h_1 & 2(h_1 + h_2) & h_2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & h_{k-1} & 2(h_{k-1} + h_k) & h_k & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & h_{N-2} & 2(h_{N-2} + h_{N-1}) & h_{N-1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_{N-1} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r_k \equiv \frac{3}{h_k}(a_{k+1} - a_k) - \frac{3}{h_{k-1}}(a_k - a_{k-1})$$

~ tridiagonal matrix ~

(a) clamped spline: $\begin{cases} f'(x_0) = (a_1 - a_0)/h_0 - h_0(2c_0 + c_1)/3 \\ f'(x_N) = (a_N - a_{N-1})/h_{N-1} + h_{N-1}(c_{N-1} + 2c_N)/3 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2h_0/3 & -h_0/3 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ h_0 & 2(h_0 + h_1) & h_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & h_1 & 2(h_1 + h_2) & h_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & h_{k-1} & 2(h_{k-1} + h_k) & h_k & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & h_{N-2} & 2(h_{N-2} + h_{N-1}) & h_{N-1} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & h_{N-1}/3 & 2h_{N-1}/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} r_0 \\ r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_{N-1} \\ r_N \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} r_0 = f'(x_0) - (a_1 - a_0)/h_0 \\ r_N = f'(x_N) - (a_N - a_{N-1})/h_{N-1} \end{cases}$$

~ tridiagonal matrix ~

§ Triagonal linear system: $Ax = r$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{32} & a_{33} & a_{34} & \dots & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & & a_{k,k-1} & a_{k,k} & a_{k,k+1} & 0 \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & & & a_{N-1,N-2} & a_{N-1,N-1} & a_{N-1,N} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & & a_{N,N-1} & a_{N,N} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{N-1} \\ x_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_{N-1} \\ b_N \end{pmatrix}$$

Given: x^*

Want: an approximation of $f(x^*)$

Step 1: find the subinterval that x^* belongs to, say $x^* \in [x_k, x_{k+1}]$

Step 2: compute $S_k(x^*) = a_k + b_k(x^* - x_k) + c_k(x^* - x_k)^2 + d_k(x^* - x_k)^3 \approx f(x^*)$

Theorem: Let $f \in C^4[a, b]$ with $\text{Max}_{a \leq x \leq b} |f^{(iv)}(x)| = M$. If $S(x)$ is the unique clamped cubic spline interpolant to f with respect to the nodes $a \leq x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_N = b$. Then

$$\text{Max}_{a \leq x \leq b} |f(x) - S(x)| \leq \frac{5M}{384} \cdot \text{Max}_{0 \leq j \leq N-1} (x_{j+1} - x_j)^4$$

c.f. natural spline: 4th order too.

§ Boundary conditions for spline interpolations

(i) Natural spline

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x_0) &= 0 \\ f''(x_N) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{This choice minimizes the value of } \int_a^b f'''^2(x) dx.$$

(ii) Parabolic runout

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x_0) &= f''(x_1) \\ f''(x_N) &= f''(x_{N-1}) \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{implying } f'''(x_0) = f'''(x_N) = 0 \\ &\text{(parabolic ending curves)} \end{aligned}$$

(iii) clamped spline

$$\begin{aligned} &f'(x_0), f''(x_0), \text{ or } f'''(x_0) \text{ known} \\ &f'(x_N), f''(x_N), \text{ or } f'''(x_N) \text{ known} \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Fit a cubic polynomial $C(x)$ to the four ending points.

$$\begin{aligned} f'''(x_0) &\approx C'''(x_0) \approx \frac{f''(x_1) - f''(x_0)}{h_0} \\ f'''(x_N) &\approx C'''(x_N) \approx \frac{f''(x_N) - f''(x_{N-1})}{h_{N-1}} \end{aligned}$$

(v) Periodic boundary condition

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_0) &= f(x_N) \\ f'(x_0) &= f'(x_N) \\ f''(x_0) &= f''(x_N) \end{aligned}$$

§ Tension spline interpolation

Let $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{N-1} < x_N = b$. A **tension spline** interpolant

$S(x)$ for $f(x)$ is a function that satisfies the following conditions:

(i) $S(x)$ is a cubic polynomial on the interval $[x_k, x_{k+1}]$,

denoted by $S_k(x)$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$

(ii) $S_k(x_k) = y_k$ and $S_k(x_{k+1}) = y_{k+1}$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$ 2N

(iii) $S'_k(x_{k+1}) = S'_{k+1}(x_{k+1})$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-2$ N-1

(iv) $S''_k(x_{k+1}) = S''_{k+1}(x_{k+1})$, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-2$ N-1

(v) $S_k(x)$ is a solution of $S^{(iv)} - \tau^2 S'' = 0$.

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- a special case $\tau = 0 \Rightarrow$ cubic polynomials \Rightarrow cubic spline!
- another special case $\tau = \infty \Rightarrow$ approximately linear fitting (still C^2)

for $x \in [x_k, x_{k+1}]$ $S_k^{(iv)} - \tau^2 S_k'' = 0$

$$C^0 \begin{cases} S_k(x_k) = y_k \\ S_k(x_{k+1}) = y_{k+1} \end{cases} \quad \text{known}$$

$$C^2 \begin{cases} S_k''(x_k) = z_k \\ S_k''(x_{k+1}) = z_{k+1} \end{cases} \quad \text{unknown}$$

§ Tension spline interpolation

$$S_k(x) = \left\{ z_k \sinh[\tau(x_{k+1} - x)] + z_{k+1} \sinh[\tau(x - x_k)] \right\} / \tau^2 \sinh(\tau h_k) \\ + (y_k - z_k / \tau^2)(x_{k+1} - x) / h_k + (y_{k+1} - z_{k+1} / \tau^2)(x - x_k) / h_k$$

$$C^1 : S'_k(x_{k+1}) = S'_{k+1}(x_{k+1})$$

$$\alpha_{k-1} z_{k-1} + (\beta_{k-1} + \beta_k) z_k + \alpha_k z_{k+1} = \gamma_k - \gamma_{k-1}$$

$$\alpha_k = 1/h_k - \tau / \sinh(\tau h_k)$$

$$\beta_k = \tau \cosh(\tau h_k) / \sinh(\tau h_k) - 1/h_k$$

$$\gamma_k = \tau^2 (y_{k+1} - y_k) / h_k$$

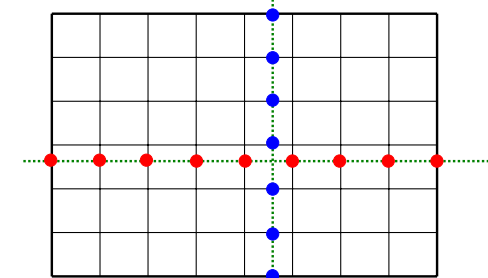
$$\text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

(N-1) equations for (N+1) unknowns $\{z_k = S''(x_k)\}$, $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$

§ Two dimensional interpolations

- Cartesian Product and Grid

Given: $f_{ij} = f(x_i, y_j)$, $0 \leq i \leq M$, $0 \leq j \leq N$



Solution: 2D interpolation \Rightarrow two-layer 1D interpolations

First, interpolate in one direction

$$f(x, y) \approx \sum_{i=0}^M f(x_i, y) * L_{M,i}(x) \quad L_{M,i}(x) = \prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq i}}^M \frac{(x - x_k)}{(x_i - x_k)}$$

$$f(x, y) \approx \sum_{j=0}^N f(x, y_j) * L_{N,j}(y) \quad L_{N,j}(y) = \prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq j}}^N \frac{(y - y_k)}{(y_j - y_k)}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_i, y) \approx \sum_{j=0}^N f(x_i, y_j) * L_{N,j}(y) = \sum_{j=0}^N f_{ij} * L_{N,j}(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x, y) \approx \sum_{i=0}^M \sum_{j=0}^N f_{ij} * L_{N,j}(y) * L_{M,i}(x)$$

- Irregular Grid

Given: $f_k = f(x_k, y_k)$, for $k=0,1,2,\dots,N$

Possible solution: a polynomial to fit and interpolate.

$\Pi_m(R^2)$ = the set consisting of all real-coefficient polynomials with two variables x and y of degree at most m .

If $P_m(x, y) \in \Pi_m(R^2)$, $P_m(x, y) = \sum_{0 \leq r+s \leq m} C_{rs} x^r y^s$

degrees of freedom = $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (m+1) = (m+1)(m+2)/2$

Wish $f(x, y) \approx P_m(x, y)$

want $f(x_k, y_k) = f_k = P_m(x_k, y_k)$ for $k=0,1,2,\dots,N$

unique choice if $N + 1 = (m+1)(m+2)/2$

example: $N + 1 = 3 = (m+1)(m+2)/2$ or $m = 1$

$$P_1(x, y) = C_{00} + C_{10}x + C_{01}y$$

$$P_1(x_k, y_k) = C_{00} + C_{10}x_k + C_{01}y_k = f_k \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, 2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 & y_0 \\ 1 & x_1 & y_1 \\ 1 & x_2 & y_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_{00} \\ C_{10} \\ C_{01} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ f_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

example: $N + 1 = 6 = (m+1)(m+2)/2$ or $m = 2$

$$P_2(x, y) = C_{00} + C_{10}x + C_{01}y + C_{20}x^2 + C_{11}xy + C_{02}y^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 & y_0 & x_0^2 & x_0 y_0 & y_0^2 \\ 1 & x_1 & y_1 & x_1^2 & x_1 y_1 & y_1^2 \\ 1 & x_2 & y_2 & x_2^2 & x_2 y_2 & y_2^2 \\ 1 & x_3 & y_3 & x_3^2 & x_3 y_3 & y_3^2 \\ 1 & x_4 & y_4 & x_4^2 & x_4 y_4 & y_4^2 \\ 1 & x_5 & y_5 & x_5^2 & x_5 y_5 & y_5^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_{00} \\ C_{10} \\ C_{01} \\ C_{20} \\ C_{11} \\ C_{02} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} f_0 \\ f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \\ f_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix invertable? Not always!

Theorem: Interpolation of arbitrary data by the subspace $\Pi(R^2)$ is possible on a set of $(m+1)(m+2)/2$ nodes if these nodes lie on lines L_0, L_1, \dots, L_m in such a way that for each L_i contains exactly $(i+1)$ nodes.

§ Shepard interpolation method

Write $P=(x,y)$ represents a point in the R^2 space. Q is another point.

Let $\Phi(P,Q)$ be a real-valued function on $R^2 \times R^2$ which satisfies

$$\Phi(P,Q) = 0 \text{ if and only if } P = Q$$

$$\text{e.g. } \Phi(P,Q) \equiv |P-Q|^2 = (x_p - x_q)^2 + (y_p - y_q)^2$$

Define 2D Lagrange interpolation function as

$$L_{N,i}(P) \equiv \prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq i}}^N \frac{\Phi(P, P_k)}{\Phi(P_i, P_k)}$$

$$\text{or written as } L_{N,i}(x, y) \equiv \prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq i}}^N \frac{\Phi(x, y; x_k, y_k)}{\Phi(x_i, y_i; x_k, y_k)}$$

$$L_{N,i}(P_j) \equiv \prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq i}}^N \frac{\Phi(P_j, P_k)}{\Phi(P_i, P_k)} = \delta_{ij}$$

$$f(x, y) \approx P(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^N f_i * L_{N,i}(x, y)$$

$$P(x_j, y_j) = \sum_{i=0}^N f_i * L_{N,i}(x_j, y_j) = \sum_{i=0}^N f_i * \delta_{ij} = f_j$$

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