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P.1

Show that  $f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k] = \frac{1}{k! h^k} \Delta^k f_0$

$k=0$   $f[x_0] = f_0$

$k=1$   $f[x_0, x_1] = \frac{1}{h} \Delta^1 f_0 = \frac{1}{h} (f(x_1) - f(x_0))$

⋮

$k=r$   $f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_r] = \frac{1}{r! h^r} \Delta^r f_0$

$k=r+1$   $f[x_0, \dots, x_r, x_{r+1}] = \frac{f[x_1, \dots, x_{r+1}] - f[x_0, \dots, x_r]}{x_{r+1} - x_0}$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{r! h^r} \Delta^r f_1 - \frac{1}{r! h^r} \Delta^r f_0}{x_{r+1} - x_0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{r! h^r} \frac{1}{(r+1)h} (\Delta^r f_1 - \Delta^r f_0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(r+1)! h^{r+1}} \Delta^{r+1} f_0$$

by induction,

We prove that

$$f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k] = \frac{1}{k! h^k} \Delta^k f_0 \quad \square$$

Newton's forward divided differences:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_n(x) &= f(x_0) + (x-x_0) f[x_0, x_1] + \dots \\
 &\quad + (x-x_0) \dots (x-x_{n-1}) f[x_0, \dots, x_n] \\
 &\quad + (x-x_0) \dots (x-x_n) f[x_0, \dots, x_n, t] \\
 &= P_n(x) + (x-x_0) \dots (x-x_n) f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, t]
 \end{aligned}$$

Using the formula

$$f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k] = \frac{1}{k! h^k} \Delta^k f_0,$$

we can show that

$$P_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{\mu}{j} \Delta^j f_0, \quad \mu \equiv \frac{x-x_0}{h}$$

$$\binom{\mu}{j} \equiv \frac{\mu(\mu-1)\dots(\mu-j+1)}{j!}, \quad \binom{\mu}{0} = 1$$

## Hermite Interpolation : Prelude

Example:

$$f(0) = -1 \quad f(1) = -1 \quad f'(1) = +4$$

3 conditions  $\rightarrow$  quadratic polynomials

$$\text{write } f(x) = f(0) \cdot M_0(x) + f(1) M_1(x) + f'(1) M_2(x)$$

$$M_0(x=0) = 1 \quad M_0(x=1) = 0 \quad M_0'(x=1) = 0$$

$$M_1(x=0) = 0 \quad M_1(x=1) = 1 \quad M_1'(x=1) = 0$$

$$M_2(x=0) = 0 \quad M_2(x=1) = 0 \quad M_2'(x=1) = 1$$

$$M_0 = 1 - 2x + x^2$$

$$M_1 = 2x - x^2$$

$$M_2 = -x + x^2$$

$$\therefore f(x) = -1 \cdot (x^2 - 2x + 1) + (-1) \cdot (-x^2 + 2x) + 4(x^2 - x)$$

$$= 4x^2 - 4x - 1$$

Hermite Interpolation:

P. 4

An ideal

~~More general~~ situation:

$$p(x_i) = y_i, \quad p'(x_i) = y_i', \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

in which  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are distinct nodes (real or complex) and  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, y_1', y_2', \dots, y_n'$  are given data.

$\Rightarrow$   $2n$  conditions imposed  $\rightarrow$  look for a polynomial of at most  $2n-1$ .

$\Rightarrow$  recall Lagrange polynomial

$$l_i(x) = \frac{(x-x_1) \cdots (x-x_{i-1})(x-x_{i+1}) \cdots (x-x_n)}{(x_i-x_1)(x_i-x_2) \cdots (x_i-x_{i-1})(x_i-x_{i+1}) \cdots (x_i-x_n)}$$

construct two functions  $g$  &  $h$ :

$$g_i(x) = (x-x_i) [l_i(x)]^2$$

$$h_i(x) = [1 - 2l_i'(x_i)(x-x_i)] (l_i(x))^2$$

For  $i=1, \dots, n$

$j=1, \dots, n$

$$g_i(x_j) = 0$$

$$g_i'(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$$

$$h_i'(x_j) = 0$$

$$h_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\therefore p(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i h_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i' g_i(x)$$

check:

$$p(x_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i h_i(x_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i' g_i(x_j)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \delta_{ij} = y_j$$

$$p'(x_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i h_i'(x_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i' g_i'(x_j)$$

$$= 0 + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i' \delta_{ij} = y_j'$$

How do we generalize this to the example?

Let's go back to the example with some generalization:

$$f(x_1) = y_1$$

$$f(x_2) = y_2$$

$$f'(x_2) = y_2'$$

$$\rightarrow f(x) = y_1 M_1(x) + y_2 M_2(x) + y_2' M_3(x)$$

$$M_1(x_1) = 1 \quad M_1(x_2) = 0 \quad M_1'(x_2) = 0$$

$$M_2(x_1) = 0 \quad M_2(x_2) = 1 \quad M_2'(x_2) = 0$$

$$M_3(x_1) = 0 \quad M_3(x_2) = 0 \quad M_3'(x_2) = 1$$

(1st)  $M_1(x)$  has double roots  $x_2 \Rightarrow M_1(x) = \left( \frac{x - x_2}{x_1 - x_2} \right)^2$

2ndly  $M_3(x) = (x-x_2) l_2(x) = (x-x_2) \frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} \checkmark$

Finally  $M_2(x) = \left[ 1 - l_2'(x_2)(x-x_2) \right] l_2(x)$   
 $= \left[ 1 - \frac{x-x_2}{x_2-x_1} \right] \frac{x-x_1}{x_2-x_1} \checkmark$

Recall the error analysis for polynomial interpolation:

$$f(x) - P_n(x) = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} (x-x_0)(x-x_1)\cdots(x-x_n) f^{(n+1)}(\xi_n)$$

Define  $\Psi_n(x) = (x-x_0)(x-x_1)\cdots(x-x_n)$

We can show that  $|\Psi_n(x)| \leq n! h^{n+1}$  for  $a \leq x \leq b$

Solution: suppose  $x_j \leq x \leq x_{j+1}$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq n-1$

$$|x-x_j| \leq h \quad |x-x_{j+1}| \leq h$$

$$|x-x_{j-1}| \leq 2h \quad |x-x_{j+2}| \leq 2h$$

⋮

$$|x-x_1| \leq jh \quad |x-x_{n-1}| \leq |n-1-j|h$$

$$|x-x_0| \leq (j+1)h \quad |x-x_n| \leq (n-j)h$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |\Psi_n(x)| &\leq (j+1)h \cdot jh \cdot \cdots \cdot h \cdot h \cdot 2h \cdot \cdots \cdot (n-1-j)h \cdot (n-j)h \\ &= (j+1)! (n-j)! h^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

The last expression is larger when  $j=0$  or  $j=n-1$

$\Rightarrow$  either case we have

$$|\psi_n(x)| \leq n! h^{n+1} \quad \times$$

Therefore  $|f(x) - P_n(x)| = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} |f^{(n+1)}(\xi_n)| \cdot |\psi_n(x)|$

$$|f(x) - P_n(x)| \leq \frac{n! h^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot |f^{(n+1)}(\xi_n)|$$

recall that

$$f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, t] = \frac{1}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi_n)$$

$$\therefore |f(x) - P_n(x)| \leq n! h^{n+1} |f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, t]|$$

Special case using Hermite interpolation:

$$P^{(i)}(x_i) = f^{(i)}(x_i), \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$\text{using } f[\underbrace{x_0, x_0, \dots, x_0}_{n+1}] = \frac{f^{(n)}(x_0)}{n!}$$

the Newton divided difference form of the Hermite interpolating polynomial is:

$$p(x) = \cancel{f(x_i)} + f(x_i) + (x-x_i)f[x_i, x_i] + (x-x_i)^2 f[x_i, x_i, x_i] + \dots + (x-x_i)^{n_i} f[\underbrace{x_i, x_i, \dots, x_i}_{n \text{ terms}}]$$

⇒ Basically Taylor series

or the application of the forward divided difference ~~for~~ to nodes  $\{x_i, x_i, \dots, x_i\}$   
 $\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{n \text{ nodes, multiple}}$

⇒ generalization of divided difference interpolation

to

(a) general multiple roots

(b) general Hermite polynomial interpolation



(a) say among the distinct  $n+1$  nodes

$$x_0, x_1, \dots, x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n$$

we have  $m$  double roots

$$x_{j_1}, x_{j_2}, \dots, x_{j_m}$$

say, without generality,  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{m-1}$

$\Rightarrow$  generate a new set of nodes:

$$[x_0, x_0, x_1, x_1, x_2, x_2, \dots, x_{m-1}, x_{m-1}, x_m, \dots, x_n]$$

$n+1+m$  conditions

$n+m$  polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} P_{n+m}(x) = & f(x_0) + (x-x_0) f[x_0, x_0] \\ & + (x-x_0)^2 f[x_0, x_0, x_1] \\ & + \dots \\ & + (x-x_0)^2 (x-x_1)^2 \dots (x-x_{m-1})^2 f[x_0, \dots, x_m] \\ & + \dots \\ & + (x-x_0)^2 (x-x_1)^2 \dots (x-x_{m-1})^2 (x-x_m) \dots (x-x_n) \\ & f[x_0, x_0, \dots, x_n, t] \end{aligned}$$

(b) ~~say~~ the same applies to the most general Hermite interpolation:

$x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n$  nodes

among these distinct nodes,

we know the  $\alpha_j$  derivatives of the  $j$ th node:

$\Rightarrow$  generate a new set of nodes

$$\left[ x_0, \underbrace{x_j, x_j, x_j}_{\alpha_j}, x_{j+1}, \dots, x_n \right]$$

then use the divided difference formula for interpolation.