

# Curve fitting and Interpolation

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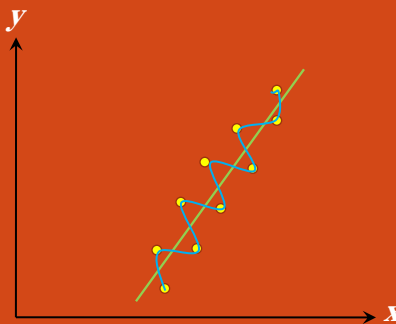
### Curve fitting

#### What is Curve fitting

❖ Curve fitting is the process where a function is used to describe a set of points pairs:  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ .

❖ When we have the case of precise points, the fitting is called **interpolation polynomial**.

❖ When we have the case of imprecise points, the fitting is called **regression**.



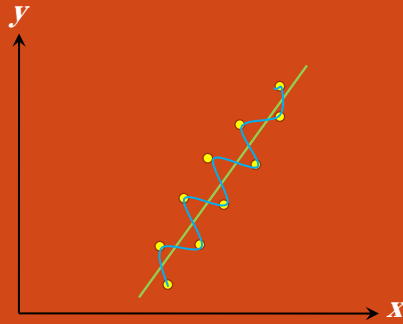
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### Interpolation

#### Methods of interpolation

❖ Is used to estimate the value between the points and we use a polynomial:  $F(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$  for  $(n+1)$  data points  $(x_0, f(x_0))$ ,  $x_1, f(x_1)$ , ...,  $x_n, f(x_n)$ .

First method is Newton divided difference interpolating polynomial.



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#### Newton divided difference interpolating polynomial

❖ General formula

$$F_n(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + \dots + b_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1)\dots(x - x_{n-1})$$

$$b_0 = F(x_0)$$

$$b_1 = F[x_1, x_0]$$

$$b_n = F[x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1, x_0]$$

❖ Where the bracket functions  $F[x]$  are the finite divided difference:

$$F[x_i, x_j] = \frac{F(x_i) - F(x_j)}{x_i - x_j}$$

$$F[x_i, x_j, x_k] = \frac{F[x_i, x_j] - F[x_j, x_k]}{x_i - x_k}$$

$$F[x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1, x_0] = \frac{F[x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_1] - F[x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_0]}{x_n - x_0}$$

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### Interpolation

#### Interpolation formulas

$$F_1(x) = F(x_0) + \frac{F(x_1) - F(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}(x - x_0)$$

Linear interpolation

$$F_2(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1)$$

Quadratic interpolation

$$\Downarrow$$

$$F_2(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$$

$$a_0 = b_0 - b_1x_0 + b_2x_0x_1$$

$$a_1 = b_1 - b_2x_0 + b_2x_1$$

$$a_2 = b_2$$

$$b_0 = F(x_0)$$

$$b_1 = \frac{F(x_1) - F(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}$$

$$b_2 = \frac{\frac{F(x_2) - F(x_1)}{x_2 - x_1} - \frac{F(x_1) - F(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}}{x_2 - x_0}$$

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### Linear Interpolation

#### Example

Find the natural logarithmic at 2 ( $\ln(2)$ ) if you now that  $\ln(1) = 0$  and  $\ln(5) = 1.6094$ . use the linear interpolation Newton formula. In hence your calculations by reducing the interval to be between  $x=1$  and  $x=3$ . the true value of  $\ln(2) = 0.6931$

Solution:

$$F_1(x) = F(x_0) + \frac{F(x_1) - F(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0}(x - x_0)$$

$$F_1(2) = F(1) + \frac{F(5) - F(1)}{5 - 1}(2 - 1)$$

$$F_1(2) = 0 + \frac{1.6094 - 0}{5 - 1}(2 - 1) = 0.401225$$

$$\varepsilon_a = 42.11\%$$

$$F_1(2) = F(1) + \frac{F(3) - F(1)}{3 - 1}(2 - 1)$$

$$F_1(2) = 0 + \frac{1.0986 - 0}{3 - 1}(2 - 1) = 0.5493$$

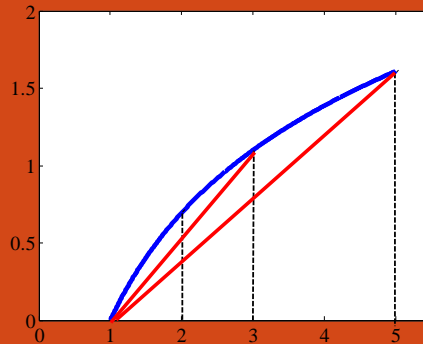
$$\varepsilon_a = 20.75\%$$

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### Linear Interpolation

#### Example

#### Graphical representation



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### Quadratic Interpolation

#### Example

Find the quadratic interpolation polynomial for the following data points

Solution:

$$b_0 = 0$$

$$b_1 = \frac{F(4) - F(1)}{4 - 1} = \frac{1.386294 - 0}{4 - 1} = 0.4620981$$

$$b_2 = \frac{\frac{1.791759 - 1.386294}{6 - 4} - \frac{1.386294 - 0}{4 - 1}}{6 - 1} = -0.0518731$$

$$F_2(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1)$$

$$F_2(x) = 0 + 0.4620981(x - 1) - 0.0518731(x - 1)(x - 4)$$

$$F_2(x) = 0.7215x - 0.6696 - 0.0519x^2$$

i	x	F(x)
0	1	0
1	4	1.386294
2	6	1.791759

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### Interpolation

#### Lagrange interpolating polynomial

❖ General formula

$$F_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n L_i(x)F(x_i)$$

$$L_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$$

$$F_1(x) = \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} F(x_0) + \frac{x - x_0}{x_1 - x_0} F(x_1)$$

$$F_2(x) = \frac{(x - x_1)(x - x_2)}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)} F(x_0) + \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)} F(x_1) + \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1)}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)} F(x_2)$$

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### Quadratic Interpolation

#### Lagrange interpolating polynomial

Find the Lagrange 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> order interpolation polynomials for the following data points

i	x	F(x)
0	1	0
1	4	1.386294
2	6	1.791759

Solution:

$$x_0 = 1, x_1 = 4, x_2 = 6$$

$$F_1(x) = \frac{x-4}{1-4} \cdot 0 + \frac{x-1}{4-1} \cdot 1.386294 = 0.4621x - 0.4621$$

$$F_2(x) = \frac{(x-4)(x-6)}{(1-4)(1-6)} \cdot 0 + \frac{(x-1)(x-6)}{(4-1)(4-6)} \cdot 1.386294 + \frac{(x-1)(x-4)}{(6-1)(6-4)} \cdot 1.791759$$

$$F_2(x) = -0.0519x^2 + 0.7215x - 0.6696$$