

§1.2 One dimensional piecewise polynomials

§1.2.1 Fixed Mesh $\Delta: a=x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$

$$S_m^k(\Delta) = \left\{ v \in C^k(a,b) \mid v|_{[x_{i-1}, x_i]} \in \mathcal{P}_m \text{ for } i=1, \dots, n \right\}$$

§1.2.2 Moving Mesh (Free-knot spline and Neural Network)

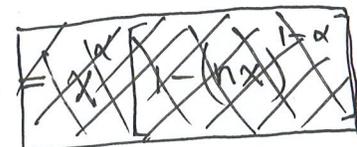
Example (non-smooth function)

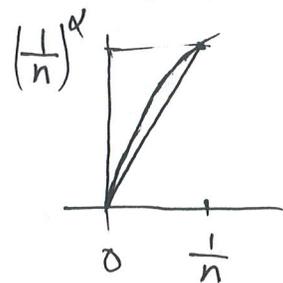
$f(x) = x^\alpha$ with $0 < \alpha < 1$ defined on $[0, 1]$

(1) C^0 -piecewise linear approximation on a uniform mesh $\left\{ x_i = \frac{i}{n} \right\}_{i=0}^n$.

$$f_I(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i) \varphi_i(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^\alpha \varphi_i(x)$$

On $I_1 = [x_0, x_1] = [0, \frac{1}{n}]$: $f_I(x) = x_1^\alpha \varphi_1(x) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^\alpha \cdot \frac{x}{\frac{1}{n}}$

$$\Rightarrow e_I(x) = f(x) - f_I(x) = x^\alpha - n^{1-\alpha} x$$




On $[\frac{\epsilon}{n}, \frac{1}{n}]$ $\max_{x \in [\frac{\epsilon}{n}, \frac{1}{n}]} |e_I(x)| = e_I\left(\frac{1}{n} \cdot \alpha^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}\right)$

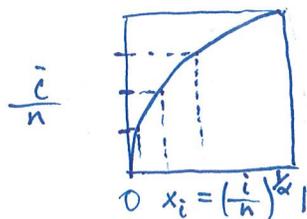
$$\max_{x \in [0, \frac{1}{n}]} |e_I(x)| = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^\alpha \left[\alpha^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} - \alpha^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \right] = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^\alpha \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha} \cdot \alpha^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^\alpha (1-\alpha) \alpha^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}}$$

(2) C^0 -piecewise linear approximation on a specially chosen mesh $\left\{ x_i \right\}_{i=0}^n$

where $f(x_i) = \frac{i}{n} \Rightarrow x_i^\alpha = \frac{i}{n} \Rightarrow x_i = \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$

$$f_I(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i) \varphi_i(x)$$



$f(x) = x^\alpha$

$$O_n [x_0, x_1] = \left[0, \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}\right] = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} [0, 1]$$

$$e_I(x) = f(x) - f_I(x) = x^\alpha - x_1^\alpha \cdot \frac{x}{x_1} = x^\alpha - \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha}} x$$

$$\text{let } \hat{x} \neq 0 \text{ and } e_I'(\hat{x}) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{x} = \alpha^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \max_{x \in [x_0, x_1]} e_I(x) &= e_I(\hat{x}) = \alpha^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) - \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{\alpha-1}{\alpha}} \cdot \alpha^{\frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (1-\alpha) \alpha^{\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}} \end{aligned}$$

$$O_n [x_{n-1}, x_n] = \left[\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}, 1\right]$$

$$? \geq \max_{x \in [x_{n-1}, x_n]} |e_I(x)|$$

Free-knot spline (1981 Schumaker "Spline Function: Basic Theory")

$$S_{m,n}^{\#} = \left\{ s(x) \in C^0[a, b] \mid s(x) \text{ is a piecewise linear with } n \text{ knots in } [a, b] \right\}$$

Let $a \leq x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n \leq b$ and

$$g_i(x; x_{i-1}, x_i, x_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} (x-x_i)/(x_{i-1}-x_i), & x \in I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i] \\ (x-x_{i-1})/(x_i-x_{i-1}), & x \in I_{i+1} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for $i=2, \dots, n-1$

$$g_1(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x-x_2}{x_1-x_2}, & x \in [a, x_2] \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ and } g_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in [x_{n-1}, b] \\ (x-x_{n-1})/(x_n-x_{n-1}), & x \in I_n \end{cases}$$

$$s(x) \in S_{n,1,n} \Rightarrow s(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varphi_i(x; x_{i-1}, x_i, x_{i+1})$$

parameters $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{linear} \\ \text{non linear} \end{array} \right. \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c_i \\ x_i \end{array} \right\}_{i=1}^n$

Remark $S_{n,1,n}$ is not a linear space

Proof Let $s_1(x), s_2(x) \in S_{n,1,n}$ with knots $\{x_i^1\}_{i=1}^n$ and $\{x_i^2\}_{i=1}^n$

If $\{x_i^1\}$ and $\{x_i^2\}$ have different knot

$\Rightarrow s_1(x) + s_2(x) \notin S_{n,1,n}$, but $s_1(x) + s_2(x) \in S_{2n,1,2n}$

Let $f_I(x) \in S_{n,1}$ be the interpolant of $f(x)$

$$\Rightarrow f_I(x; \vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \varphi(x; x_{i-1}, x_i, x_{i+1}) \quad \vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

Find \vec{x} such that $a \leq x_1 < \dots < x_n \leq b$ which minimizes

$$\|f - f_I(x; \vec{x})\| = \min_{\vec{y} \in \mathcal{X}_n = \{ \vec{x} \mid a \leq x_1 < \dots < x_n \leq b \}} \|f(x) - f_I(x; \vec{y})\|$$

• Free-knot spline

$$S_{1,n}^0 = \left\{ s(x) \in C^0(a,b) \mid \begin{array}{l} s(x) \text{ is piecewise linear with} \\ n \text{ knots } a \leq \alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_n \leq b \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\forall s(x) \in S_{1,n}^0, \exists \left\{ \alpha_i \right\}_{i=1}^n \in X_n = \left\{ \left\{ \alpha_i \right\}_{i=1}^n \mid a \leq \alpha_1 < \dots < \alpha_n \leq b \right\}$$

$$\text{s.t. } s(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varphi_i(x; \vec{\alpha})$$

where $\varphi_i(x; \vec{\alpha})$ is the nodal basis function based on $\vec{\alpha} = \left\{ \alpha_i \right\}_{i=1}^n$.

$$\Rightarrow S_{1,n}^0 = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varphi_i(x; \vec{\alpha}) \mid c_i \in \mathbb{R} \text{ and } \vec{\alpha} \in X_n \right\}$$

Least-squares Approximations Given $f(x)$ defined on $[a, b]$,

$$(1) \text{ find } f_n(x) \in S_{1,n}^0 \text{ s.t. } \|f - f_n\| = \min_{s \in S_{1,n}^0} \|f - s\|;$$

$$(2) \text{ let } f_{\mathbf{I}}(x; \vec{\alpha}) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(\alpha_i) \varphi_i(x; \vec{\alpha}),$$

$$\text{find } \vec{\alpha}^* \in X_n \text{ s.t. } \vec{\alpha}^* = \underset{\vec{\alpha} \in X_n}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|f - f_{\mathbf{I}}(\cdot; \vec{\alpha})\|$$

§1.2.3 ReLU neural network

$$N(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \sigma(w_i x - b_i) + c_0$$

w_i - weight, b_i - bias

$$\sigma(s) = \max\{s, 0\}$$

normalization

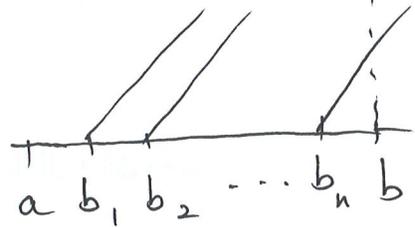
$$|w_i| = 1 \implies w_i = \pm 1$$

$$\mathcal{N}_n = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \sigma(x - b_i) + c_0 \mid c_i \in \mathbb{R}, a \leq b_1 < \dots < b_n \leq b \right\}$$

Lemma $\{\sigma(x - b_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ is linearly independent if ~~$b_i \neq b_j$~~ $b_i \neq b_j$

for all $i \neq j$.

Proof $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \sigma(x - b_i) = 0 \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$



$$\implies 0 = c_1 \sigma(x - b_1) \quad \forall x \in [b_1, b_2] \implies c_1 = 0$$

$$\implies 0 = \sum_{i=2}^n c_i \sigma(x - b_i) \quad \forall x \in [b_2, b] \implies \dots \implies c_i = 0 \quad \forall i \quad \#$$

~~Least-squares approximation~~

find $f_n(x)$

Relation between $S_{1,n}^0$ and \mathcal{N}_n .

- produce the same class of continuous piecewise linear functions with ~~for~~ moving mesh
- local and global basis functions.

Least-squares approximation (C.-Dokotorova-Falgout-Herrera (1-D)
C.-Ding-Liu-Liu-Xia (d-D))

find $f_n(x) \in \mathcal{N}_n$ s.t. $\|f - f_n\| = \min_{s \in \mathcal{N}_n} \|f - s\|$

Let $f_n(x) = f_n(x; \vec{c}, \vec{b}) = c_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \sigma(x - b_i)$, $\vec{c} = (c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n)$, $\vec{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$

$J(f_n) = \frac{1}{2} \|f - f_n\|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b (f - f_n)^2 dx$.

Optimality conditions

$\nabla_{\vec{c}} J(f_n) = \nabla_{\vec{c}} \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b (f - f_n)^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_a^b \nabla_{\vec{c}} (f - f_n)^2 dx = - \int_a^b (f - f_n) \nabla_{\vec{c}} f_n dx$

$\nabla_{\vec{c}} f_n = (1, \sigma(x - b_1), \dots, \sigma(x - b_n))^T = \sum (x; \vec{b})$ and $f_n = \vec{c}^T \sum$

$\Rightarrow \nabla_{\vec{c}} J(f_n) = - \int_a^b f \sum dx + \int_a^b \left(\vec{c}^T \sum \right) \sum dx = \left(\int_a^b \sum \sum^T dx \right) \vec{c} - \int_a^b f \sum dx$

$\begin{pmatrix} m_{ij} \end{pmatrix}_{(n+1) \times (n+1)} = M(\vec{b}) = \int_a^b \sum \sum^T dx$, $\vec{F}(\vec{b}) = \int_a^b f \sum = (f_i)_{(n+1) \times 1}$

$m_{ij}(\vec{b}) = \int_a^b \varphi_i(x) \varphi_j(x) dx$ where $\varphi_0(x) = 1$ and $\varphi_i(x) = \sigma(x - b_i)$

~~$f_i(\vec{b})$~~ $f_i(\vec{b}) = \int_a^b f(x) \varphi_i(x) dx$.

(1) $0 = \nabla_{\vec{c}} J(f_n) = M(\vec{b}) \vec{c} - \vec{F}(\vec{b})$

Lemma $M(\vec{b})$ is symmetric, positive definite.

$$\nabla_{\vec{b}} J(u_n) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\vec{b}} \int_a^b (f - f_n)^2 dx \stackrel{?}{=} \int_a^b (f - f_n) \nabla_{\vec{b}} f_n dx$$

$$\nabla_{\vec{b}} f_n = \left(\frac{\partial f_n}{\partial b_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial b_n} \right)^T = \left(c_1 \frac{\partial \sigma(x-b_1)}{\partial b_1}, \dots, c_n \frac{\partial \sigma(x-b_n)}{\partial b_n} \right)^T$$

$$= - \left(c_1 H(x-b_1), \dots, c_n H(x-b_n) \right)^T = D(\vec{c}) \vec{H}(x; \vec{b})$$

where $D(\vec{c}) = \text{diag}(c_1, \dots, c_n)$ and $\vec{H}(x; \vec{b}) = (H(x-b_1), \dots, H(x-b_n))^T$.

$H(x) = \sigma'(x)$
weak derivative

$$(2) \quad 0 = \nabla_{\vec{b}} J(u_n) = D(\vec{c}) \int_a^b (f - f_n) \vec{H} dx \quad \Rightarrow \quad \int_a^b (f - f_n) \vec{H} = 0$$

$c_i \neq 0$

Hessian Matrix

$$H_i(x) \equiv H(x-b_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} \int_a^b (f - f_n) H(x-b_j) dx \stackrel{?}{=} \int_a^b \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} \left[(f - f_n) H(x-b_j) \right] dx$$

$$= - \int_a^b \frac{\partial f_n}{\partial b_i} H_j + \int_a^b (f - f_n) \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} H_j$$

$$= c_i \int_a^b H_i H_j - \delta_{ij} \int_a^b (f - f_n) \delta(x-b_j)$$

$$= c_i \int_a^b H_i H_j + \delta_{ij} (f_n(b_j) - f(b_j))$$

$$\frac{\partial H_j}{\partial b_i} = \begin{cases} 0, & i \neq j \\ -\delta(x-b_j), & i = j \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0, & i \neq j \\ 1, & i = j \end{cases}$$

$$\nabla_{\vec{b}}^2 J(u_n) = \nabla_{\vec{b}} \left(\nabla_{\vec{b}} J(u_n) \right)^T = \nabla_{\vec{b}} \int_a^b (f - f_n) (H_1, \dots, H_n) dx D(\vec{c})$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} \int_a^b (f - f_n) H_j \right)_{n \times n} = \left[D(\vec{c}) \left(\int_a^b H_i H_j \right)_{n \times n} + \text{diag}(f_n - f(b_1), \dots, f_n - f(b_n)) D(\vec{c}) \right]$$

$$= D(\vec{c}) \underbrace{\int_a^b H H^T dx}_{A(\vec{b})} D(\vec{c}) + D(\underbrace{\vec{w}}_{\text{diag}(w_1, \dots, w_n)}) D(\vec{c}), \quad w_i = (f_n - f)(b_i)$$

Leibniz Integral Rule

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a(x)}^{b(x)} f(x,t) dt = f(x, b(x)) b'(x) - f(x, a(x)) a'(x) + \int_{a(x)}^{b(x)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x,t) dt.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \int_a^b (f - f_n) H(x - b_j) dx = \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} \int_{b_j}^b (f - f_n) dx$$

$$= \begin{cases} \int_{b_j}^b \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} (f - f_n) dx, & i \neq j \\ (f_n - f)(b_j) + \int_{b_j}^b \frac{\partial}{\partial b_i} (f - f_n) dx, & i = j \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \int_{b_j}^b c_i H(x - b_i) dx = c_i \int_a^b H_i H_j, & i \neq j \\ (f_n - f)(b_j) + c_i \int_a^b H_i H_j dx, & i = j. \end{cases}$$

Iterative Method for $\begin{cases} 0 = \nabla_c J(f_n) = M(\vec{b}) \vec{c} - \vec{F}(\vec{b}) \\ 0 = \nabla_b J(f_n) = D(\vec{c}) \int_a^b (f - f_n) H dx \end{cases}$

$\vec{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ — mesh points

$\vec{c} = (c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n)$ — coefficients

• initialization $\vec{b}^{(0)}: b_i^{(0)} = a + i \frac{b-a}{n+1}$ for $i=0, 1, \dots, n$

• linear parameter $\vec{c}^{(k)}: \vec{c} = M^{-1}(\vec{b}^{(k-1)}) \vec{F}(\vec{b}^{(k-1)})$ for $k=1, 2, \dots$

• nonlinear parameter $\vec{b}^{(k)}$ (Newton/Gauss-Newton)

$$\vec{b}^{(k)} = \vec{b}^{(k-1)} - \omega_k \nabla_b^2 J(f_n(\cdot; \vec{c}^{(k)}, \vec{b}^{(k-1)})) \nabla_b J(f_n(\cdot; \vec{c}^{(k)}, \vec{b}^{(k-1)}))$$

$$= \vec{b}^{(k-1)} - \omega_k \left[D(\vec{c}^{(k-1)}) + A(\vec{b}^{(k-1)}) D(\vec{c}^{(k)}) \right]^{-1} \int_a^b (f - f_n)(x; \vec{c}^{(k)}, \vec{b}^{(k-1)}) H(x; \vec{b}^{(k-1)}) dx$$

Lemma $A(\vec{b})$ is symmetric positive definite.