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- Interpolating polynomial of degree ≤ 1

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$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_0),$$

where $a_0 = f(x_0), \quad a_1 = f'(x_0) \stackrel{def}{=} f[x_0, x_0]$.

$$P(x_0) = f(x_0), \quad P'(x_0) = f'(x_0).$$

Double nodes (II)

- Given 3 distinct points

$$(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), (x_2, f(x_2)),$$

- Interpolating polynomial of degree ≤ 2

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1), \\ \text{with } P(x_0) &= f(x_0), \quad P(x_1) = f(x_1), \quad P(x_2) = f(x_2), \end{aligned}$$

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Now let $x_2 = x_1$, we obtain (mixed interpolation)

$$\begin{aligned} f[x_1, x_2] &= f'(x_1) = f[x_1, x_1], \\ a_2 &= \frac{f[x_1, x_1] - f[x_0, x_1]}{x_1 - x_0} \stackrel{def}{=} f[x_0, x_1, x_1] \\ P(x) &= a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \\ P(x_0) &= f(x_0), \quad P(x_1) = f(x_1) \quad P'(x_1) = f'(x_1). \end{aligned}$$

Double nodes (III)

- Given 4 distinct points

$$(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), (x_2, f(x_2)), (x_3, f(x_3)),$$

- Interpolating polynomial of degree ≤ 3

$$P(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + a_3(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2).$$

where $a_0 = f[x_0]$, $a_1 = f[x_0, x_1]$, It follows

$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= f[x_0, x_1, x_2] = \frac{f[x_1, x_2] - f[x_0, x_1]}{x_2 - x_0} \\ a_3 &= f[x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_1, x_2, x_3] - f[x_0, x_1, x_2]}{x_3 - x_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Double nodes (IV)

Let $x_1 = x_0$, and $x_3 = x_2$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= f[x_0, x_1] = f[x_0, x_0] \\ a_2 &= \frac{f[x_1, x_2] - f[x_0, x_1]}{x_2 - x_0} = \frac{f[x_0, x_2] - f[x_0, x_0]}{x_2 - x_0} \\ a_3 &= f[x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3] = \frac{f[x_0, x_2, x_2] - f[x_0, x_0, x_2]}{x_2 - x_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Hermite Interpolation:

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= a_0 + a_1(x - x_0) + a_2(x - x_0)^2 + a_3(x - x_0)^2(x - x_2) \\ P(x_0) &= f(x_0), \quad P'(x_0) = f'(x_0), \quad P(x_2) = f(x_2), \quad P'(x_2) = f'(x_2). \end{aligned}$$

Newton Divided Differences

- Given $m+1$ distinct points

$$(z_0, f(z_0)), (z_1, f(z_1)), \cdots, (z_m, f(z_m)),$$

- Interpolating polynomial of degree $\leq m$

$$\begin{aligned} P(x) &= a_0 + a_1(x - z_0) + a_2(x - z_0)(x - z_1) + \\ &\quad \cdots + a_m(x - z_0)(x - z_1)\cdots(x - z_{m-1}), \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{with } P(z_0) = f(z_0), \quad P(z_1) = f(z_1), \quad \cdots, \quad P(z_m) = f(z_m).$$

- where

$$a_j = f[z_0, z_1, \cdots, z_j], \quad \text{for} \quad j = 0, 1, \cdots, m.$$

Newton Divided Difference Table

z_i	$f[z_i]$	$f[z_{i-1}, z_i]$	$f[z_{i-2}, z_{i-1}, z_i]$	$\cdots$	$f[z_0, z_1, \cdots, z_m]$
z_0	$\mathbf{f[z_0] = a_0}$				
		$\mathbf{f[z_0, z_1] = a_1}$			
z_1	$f[z_1]$		$\mathbf{f[z_0, z_1, z_2] = a_2}$		
		$f[z_1, z_2]$			
z_2	$f[z_2]$		$f[z_1, z_2, z_3]$		
		$f[z_2, z_3]$			
z_3	$f[z_3]$		$f[z_2, z_3, z_4]$		
		$f[z_3, z_4]$			
z_4	$f[z_4]$		$f[z_3, z_4, z_5]$	$\cdots$	$\mathbf{f[z_0, z_1, \cdots, z_m] = a_m}$
		$f[z_4, z_5]$			
z_5	$f[z_5]$		$f[z_4, z_5, z_6]$		
		$f[z_5, z_6]$			
z_6	$f[z_6]$		$f[z_5, z_6, z_7]$		
		$f[z_6, z_7]$			
z_7	$f[z_7]$		$f[z_6, z_7, z_8]$		
		$f[z_7, z_8]$			
z_8	$f[z_8]$				

Double nodes, $m = 2n+1$, $x_j = z_{\lfloor j/2 \rfloor}$, $f[x_j, x_j] = f'(x_j)$

x_i	$f[x_i]$	$f[z_{i-1}, z_i]$	$f[z_{i-2}, z_{i-1}, z_i]$	$\cdots$	$f[z_0, z_1, \cdots, z_m]$
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		$\underline{\mathbf{f[x_0, x_0] = a_1}}$			
x_0	$f[x_0]$		$\mathbf{f[x_0, x_0, x_1] = a_2}$		
		$f[x_0, x_1]$			
x_1	$f[x_1]$		$f[x_0, x_1, x_1]$		
		$\underline{f[x_1, x_1]}$			
x_1	$f[x_1]$		$f[x_1, x_1, x_2]$		
		$f[x_1, x_2]$			
x_2	$f[x_2]$		$f[x_1, x_2, x_2]$	$\cdots$	$\mathbf{f[x_0, x_0, \cdots, x_n, x_n]}$
		$\underline{f[x_2, x_2]}$			
x_2	$f[x_2]$		$f[x_2, x_2, x_3]$		
		$f[x_2, x_3]$			
x_3	$f[x_3]$		$f[x_2, x_3, x_3]$		
		$\underline{f[x_3, x_3]}$			
x_3	$f[x_3]$				

Hermite Interpolation

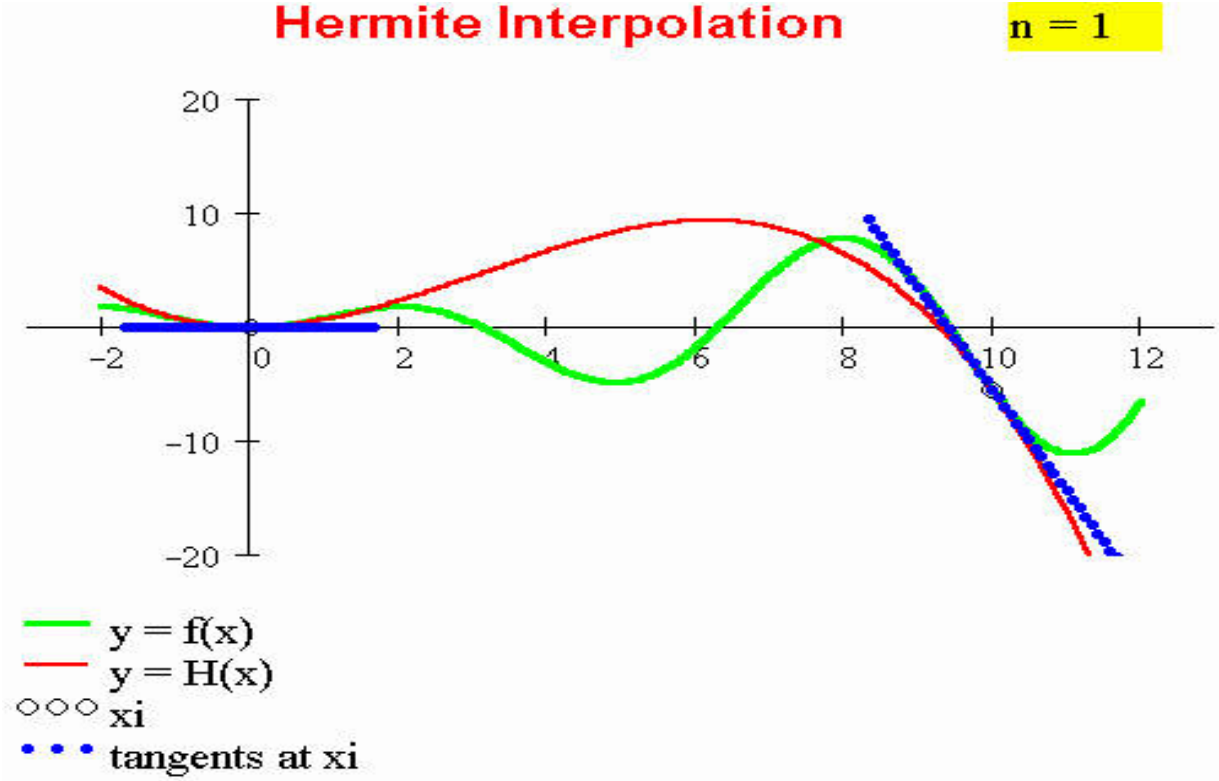
- Given $n+1$ distinct points

$$(x_0, f(x_0), f'(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1), f'(x_1)), \cdots, (x_n, f(x_n), f'(x_n)),$$

- Interpolating polynomial $H(x)$ of degree $\leq 2n+1$ with

$$\begin{aligned} H(x_0) &= f(x_0), \quad H'(x_0) = f'(x_0), \\ H(x_1) &= f(x_1), \quad H'(x_1) = f'(x_1), \\ &\vdots \qquad\quad \vdots \\ H(x_n) &= f(x_n), \quad H'(x_n) = f'(x_n). \end{aligned}$$

- $2n+2$ conditions, $2n+2$ coefficients in $H(x)$.


Hermite Interpolation
n = 1
20
10
-10
-20
-2
0
2
4
6
8
10
12
y = f(x)
y = H(x)
xi
tangents at xi

Hermite Interpolation: Newton Divided Differences

- Given $n+1$ distinct points

$$(x_0, f(x_0), f'(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1), f'(x_1)), \cdots, (x_n, f(x_n), f'(x_n)),$$

- Interpolating polynomial of degree $\leq 2n+1$

$$\begin{aligned} H(x) &= a_0 + a_1(x-x_0) + a_2(x-x_0)^2 + \\ &\quad \cdots + a_{2n+1}(x-x_0)^2(x-x_1)^2\cdots(x-x_{n-1})^2(x-x_n). \\ a_j &= f[z_0, z_1, \cdots, z_j], \quad \text{for} \quad j = 0, 1, \cdots, 2n+1, \end{aligned}$$

with $z_{2i} = z_{2i+1} = x_i$ for $i = 0, 1, \cdots, n$.

Hermite Interpolation: $m = 2n + 1$, $f[x_j, x_j] = f'(x_j)$

x_i	$f[x_i]$	$f[z_{i-1}, z_i]$	$f[z_{i-2}, z_{i-1}, z_i]$	$\cdots$	$f[z_0, z_1, \cdots, z_m]$
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x_1	$f[x_1]$		$f[x_1, x_1, x_2]$		
		$f[x_1, x_2]$			
x_2	$f[x_2]$		$f[x_1, x_2, x_2]$	$\cdots$	$\mathbf{f[x_0, x_0, \cdots, x_n, x_n]}$
		$\underline{f[x_2, x_2]}$			
x_2	$f[x_2]$		$f[x_2, x_2, x_3]$		
		$f[x_2, x_3]$			
x_3	$f[x_3]$		$f[x_2, x_3, x_3]$		
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x_3	$f[x_3]$				

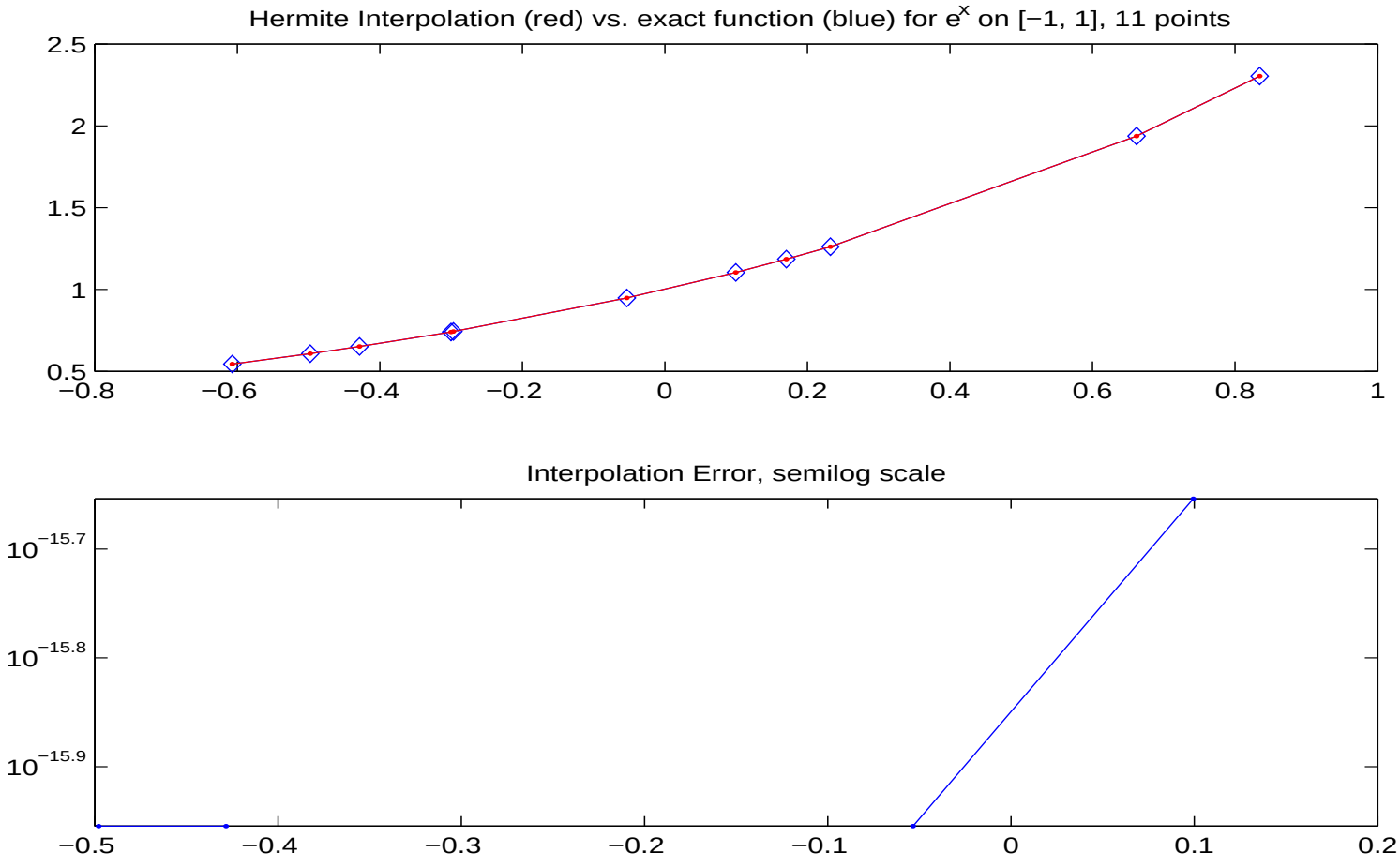
Newton Divided Differences for Hermite Interpolation

```
function F = NDD2(x,f,df)
%
% This function implements Newton's Divided Difference Algorithm
% for Hermite Interpolation. f is the vector of function values
% and df vector of derivatives.
%
% Updated by Ming Gu for Math 128A, Spring 2015
%
N = length(x);
x = x(:);
xx = reshape(repmat(x',2,1),2*N,1);
f = f(:);
df= df(:);
F  = reshape(repmat(f',2,1),2*N,1);
NN = N * 2;
F(2*(1:N))      = df;
F(1+2*(1:N-1)) = (f(2:N)-f(1:N-1))./(x(2:N)-x(1:N-1));
for k=3:2*N
    for j = 2*N:-1:k
       F(j) = (F(j)-F(j-1))/(xx(j)-xx(j-k+1));
    end
end
```

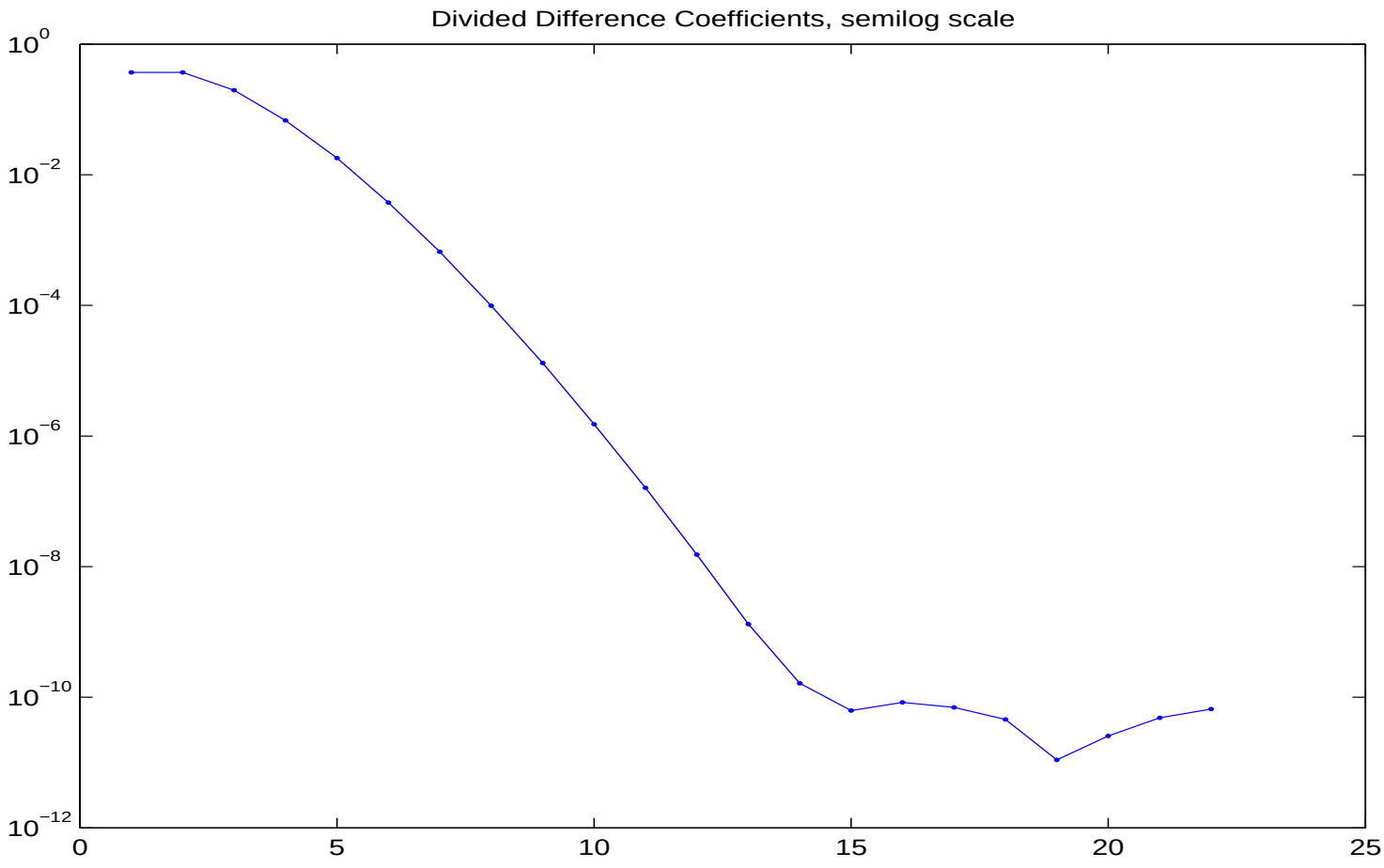
Evaluate Hermite Polynomial given coefficients

```
function f = EvaluateNDD2(xnew,x,F)
%
% This function evaluates the Hermite interpolating polynomial given
% point xnew, nodes x, and NDF coefficients F
%
n = length(x);
m = length(xnew);
f = F(2*n)*ones(m,1);
z = kron(x(:),ones(2,1));
for k=2*n-1:-1:1
    f = F(k) + f .* (xnew-z(k));
end
```

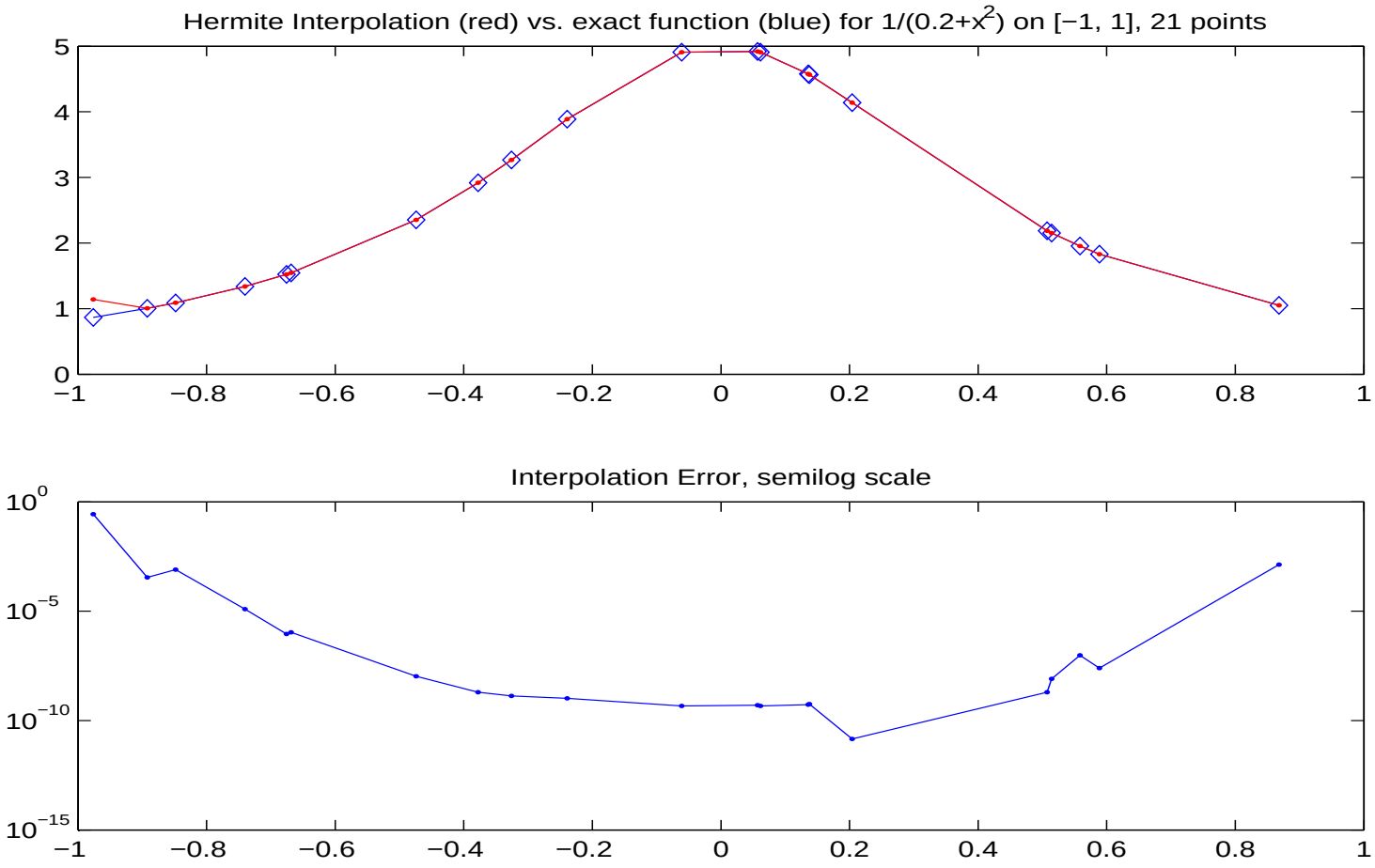
Hermite Interpolation on e^x on $[-1, 1]$



Coefficients a_j for Hermite Interpolation



Hermite Interpolation on $\frac{1}{0.2+x^2}$ on $[-1, 1]$



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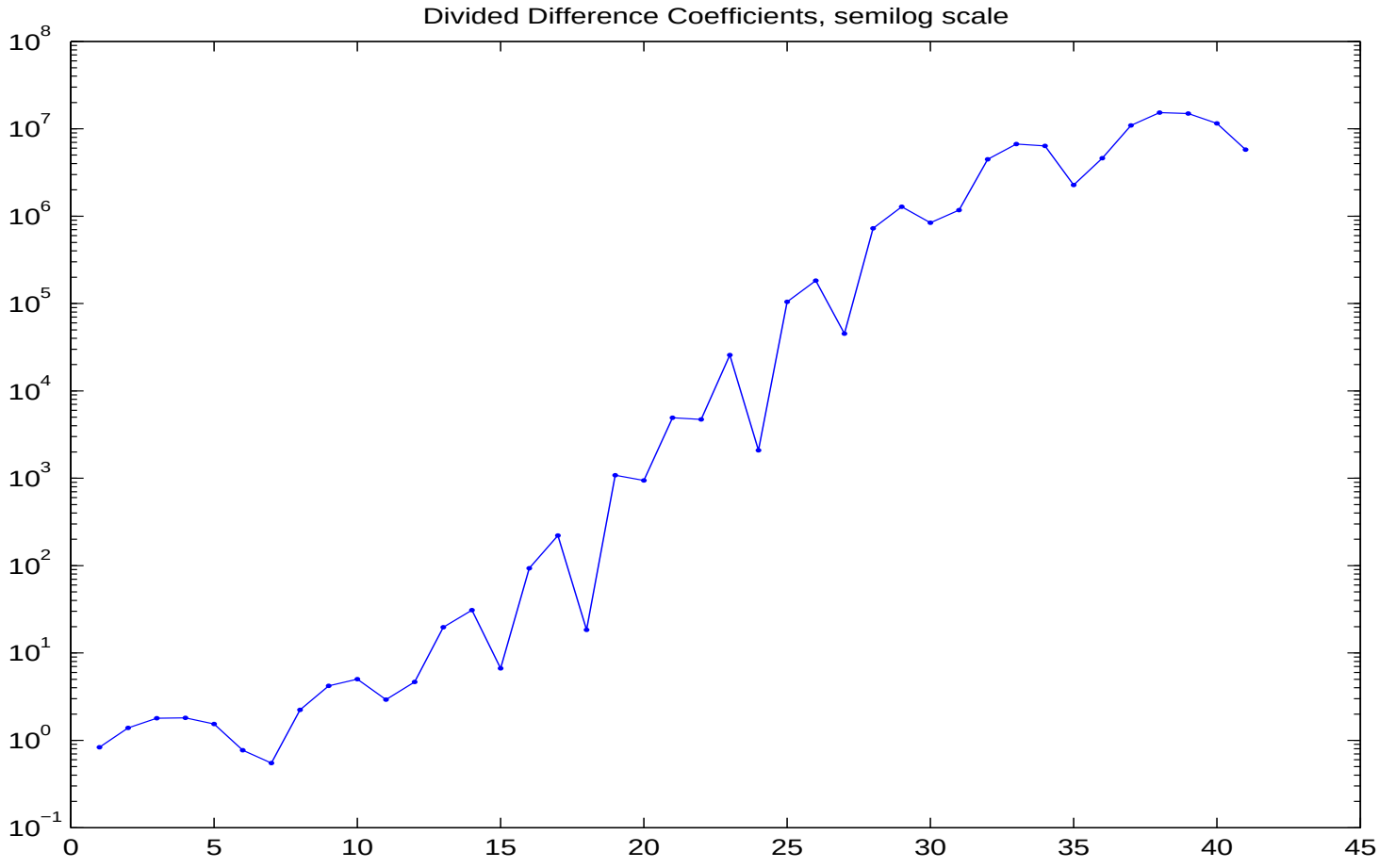

Hermite Interpolation

- Given $n+1$ distinct points

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(Equivalent) Hermite Interpolation Solution

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- Interpolating polynomial $H(x)$ is

$$H(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n} f(x_j)\, H_j(x) + \sum_{j=0}^{n} f'(x_j)\, \widehat{H}_j(x),$$

where

$$H_j(x) = \left(1 - 2(x - x_j)L_j'(x_j)\right) L_j^2(x), \quad \widehat{H}_j(x) = (x - x_j)L_j^2(x),$$

with $L_j(x) = \prod_{i \neq j} \dfrac{x - x_i}{x_j - x_i}$.

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- For $i \neq j$,

$$H_j(x_i) = 0, \quad H_j'(x_i) = 0, \widehat{H}_j(x_i) = 0, \quad \widehat{H}_j'(x_i) = 0.$$

- For $i = j$,

$$H_i(x_i) = 1, \quad H_i'(x_i) = 0, \widehat{H}_i(x_i) = 0, \quad \widehat{H}_i'(x_i) = 1.$$

Hermite Interpolation Error

Theorem: Suppose $x_0, x_1, \cdots, x_n$ are distinct numbers in the interval $[a, b]$ and $f \in C^{2n+2}[a, b]$. Then, for each $x \in [a, b]$, a number $\xi(x)$ between $, x_0, x_1, \cdots, x_n$ (hence $\in (a, b)$) exists with

$$f(x) = H(x) + \frac{f^{(2n+2)}(\xi(x))}{(2n+2)!}(x - x_0)^2(x - x_1)^2 \cdots (x - x_n)^2,$$

where $H(x)$ is the interpolating polynomial.

Hermite Interpolation Error: Proof

If $x = x_0, x_1, \cdots, \ x_n$, then error $= 0$ and theorem is true. Now let x be not equal to any node. Define function g for $t \in [a, b]$

$$g(t) \overset{def}{=} (f(t) - H(t)) - (f(x) - H(x)) \frac{(t - x_0)^2 (t - x_1)^2 \cdots (t - x_n)^2}{(x - x_0)^2 (x - x_1)^2 \cdots (x - x_n)^2}$$

$$= (f(t) - H(t)) - (f(x) - H(x)) \prod_{j=0}^{n} \frac{(t - x_j)^2}{(x - x_j)^2} \in C^{2n+2}[a, b].$$

Then $g(t)$ vanishes at $n + 2$ distinct points:

$$g(x) = 0, \quad g(x_k) = 0, \quad \text{, for} \quad k = 0, 1, \cdots, n.$$

and $g'(t)$ vanishes at $n + 1$ distinct points:

$$g'(x_k) = 0, \quad \text{, for} \quad k = 0, 1, \cdots, n.$$

There must be a ξ between x and nodal points such that

$$g^{(2n+2)}(\xi) = 0.$$

Hermite Interpolation Error: Proof

Since

$$g^{(2n+2)}(\xi) = (f(t) - H(t))^{(2n+2)}\,|_{t=\xi} - (f(x) - H(x))\Big(\prod_{j=0}^{n} \frac{(t-x_j)^2}{(x-x_j)^2}\Big)^{(2n+2)}\,|_{\xi}$$

$$= f^{(2n+2)}(\xi) - (f(x) - H(x))\,\frac{(2n+2)!}{\prod_{j=0}^{n}(x-x_j)^2}$$

$$= 0$$

Therefore

$$f(x) = H(x) + \frac{f^{(2n+2)}(\xi(x))}{(2n+2)!}\,(x-x_0)^2(x-x_1)^2\cdots(x-x_n)^2,$$

The Splines Idea

- Given $n+1$ distinct points

$$(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), \cdots, (x_n, f(x_n)),$$

- Find *cubic spline interpolant* $S(x)$,
  - for $x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$, $j = 0, 1, \cdots, n-1$,

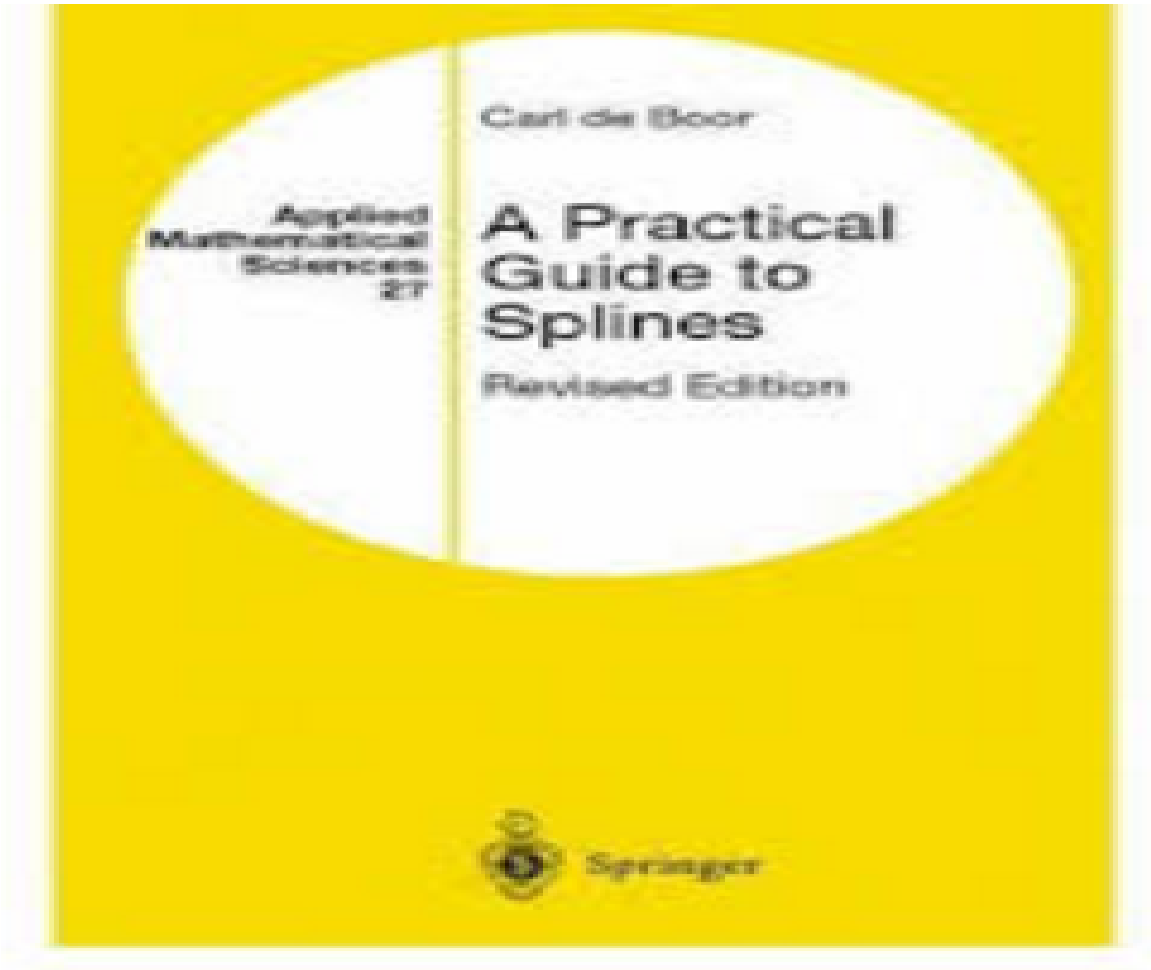
$$S(x) = S_j(x) \stackrel{def}{=} a_j + b_j(x - x_j) + c_j(x - x_j)^2 + d_j(x - x_j)^3.$$

($S(x)$ piece-wise low-degree polynomial)

  - $S(x_j) = f(x_j)$ $j = 0, 1, \cdots, n$.
($S(x)$ matches $f(x)$ at all nodal points)

  - $S(x) \in C^2[x_0, x_n]$.
($S(x)$ remains smooth-enough)

Carl de Boor: The book about Splines



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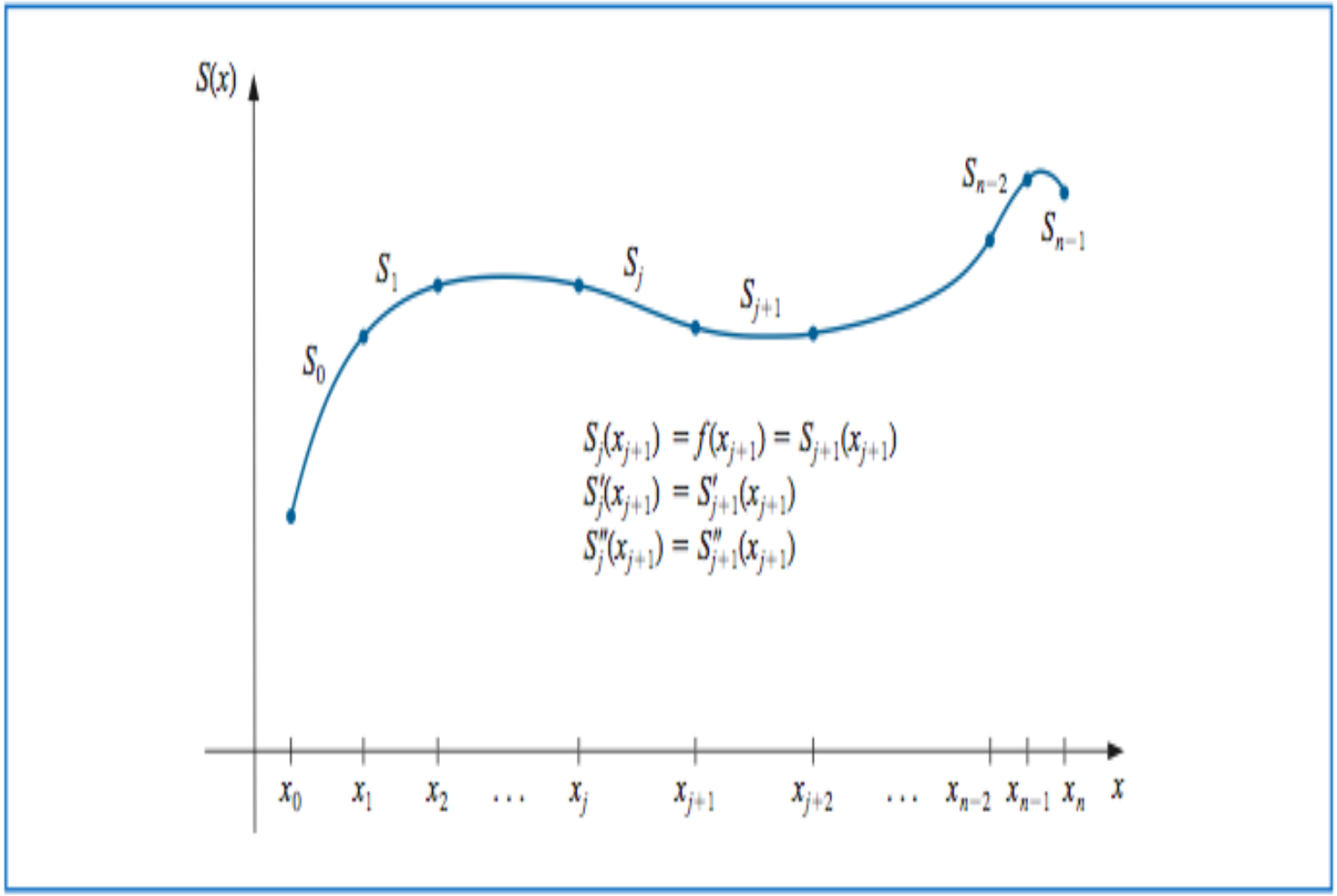
The Splines Idea

- Spine Interpolant $S(x)$ for given $n+1$ distinct points

$$(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), \cdots, (x_n, f(x_n)),$$



The Splines Equations (I)

For $x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$, $j = 0, 1, \cdots, n-1$,

$$S(x) = S_j(x) \stackrel{def}{=} a_j + b_j(x - x_j) + c_j(x - x_j)^2 + d_j(x - x_j)^3.$$

- for $j = 0, 1, \cdots, n-1$,

$$a_j = S_j(x_j) = f(x_j).$$

- let $h_j = x_{j+1} - x_j$, for $j = 0, 1, \cdots, n-1$,

$$a_{j+1} = S_{j+1}(x_{j+1}) = S_j(x_{j+1}) = a_j + b_j h_j + c_j h_j^2 + d_j h_j^3$$

$$b_j + c_j h_j + d_j h_j^2 = \frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j}, \quad j = 0, 1, \cdots, n-1.$$

This ensures $S(x) \in C[x_0, x_n]$.

The Splines Equations (II)

For $x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$, $j = 0, 1, \cdots, n-1$,

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- Define $b_n = S_{n-1}'(x_n)$; for $j = 0, \cdots, n-1$,

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This ensures $S'(x) \in C[x_0, x_n]$.

The Splines Equations (III)

For $x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$, $j = 0, 1, \cdots, n-1$,

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- Define $c_n = S_{n-1}''(x_n)/2$; for $j = 0, \cdots, n-1$,

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The Splines Equations (IV)

For $j = 0, \cdots, n-1$,

$$2c_{j+1} = 2c_j + 6d_j h_j, \quad \text{so} \quad d_j = \frac{c_{j+1} - c_j}{3h_j}$$

$$b_j + c_j h_j + d_j h_j^2 = \frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j}, \quad \text{so} \quad b_j = -\frac{h_j}{3}(2c_j + c_{j+1}) + \frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j}.$$

$$b_{j+1} = b_j + 2c_j h_j + 3d_j h_j^2, \quad \text{so} \quad b_{j+1} = b_j + h_j(c_j + c_{j+1}).$$

Last two equations do not involve d_j. Next get rid of b_j.

The Splines Equations (V)

For $j = 0, \cdots, n-2$,

$$-\frac{h_{j+1}}{3}(2c_{j+1} + c_{j+2}) + \frac{a_{j+2} - a_{j+1}}{h_{j+1}}$$
$$= -\frac{h_j}{3}(2c_j + c_{j+1}) + \frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j} + h_j(c_j + c_{j+1}),$$

which simplifies to (for $j = 1, \cdots, n-1$)

$$h_{j-1}\, c_{j-1} + 2(h_{j-1} + h_j)\, c_j + h_j c_{j+1} = 3\left(\frac{a_{j+1} - a_j}{h_j} - \frac{a_j - a_{j-1}}{h_{j-1}}\right).$$

$n-1$ equations with $n+1$ unknowns.

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- Equations for $\{c_j\}_{j=1}^{n-1}$,

$$2(h_0 + h_1)\, c_1 + h_1 c_2 = 3\left(\frac{a_2 - a_1}{h_1} - \frac{a_1 - a_0}{h_0}\right),$$

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Natural Splines: equations in matrix form

- Equations for $\{c_j\}_{j=1}^{n-1}$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2(h_0+h_1) & h_1 & & & \\ h_1 & 2(h_1+h_2) & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & h_{n-3} & 2(h_{n-3}+h_{n-2}) & h_{n-2} \\ & & & h_{n-2} & 2(h_{n-2}+h_{n-1}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-2} \\ c_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a_2-a_1}{h_1} - \frac{a_1-a_0}{h_0} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{a_n-a_{n-1}}{h_{n-1}} - \frac{a_{n-1}-a_{n-2}}{h_{n-2}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Clamped Splines: $S_0'(x_0) = f'(x_0),\ S_{n-1}'(x_n) = f'(x_n)$

- Equation for c_0, c_1:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x_0) &= S_0'(x_0) = b_0 = -\frac{h_0}{3}(2c_0 + c_1) + \frac{a_1 - a_0}{h_0}. \\ 2h_0c_0 + h_0c_1 &= 3\left(\frac{a_1 - a_0}{h_0} - f'(x_0)\right). \end{aligned}$$

- Equation for c_{n-1}, c_n:

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which leads to

$$h_{n-1}c_{n-1} + 2h_{n-1}c_n = 3\left(f'(x_n) - \frac{a_n - a_{n-1}}{h_{n-1}}\right).$$

Clamped Splines: equations in matrix form

- Equations for $\{c_j\}_{j=0}^n$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2h_0 & h_0 & & & \\ h_0 & 2(h_0+h_1) & & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & h_{n-2} & 2(h_{n-2}+h_{n-1}) & h_{n-1} \\ & & & h_{n-1} & 2h_{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_{n-1} \\ c_n \end{pmatrix} = 3 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{a_1-a_0}{h_0} - f'(x_0) \\ \frac{a_2-a_1}{h_1} - \frac{a_1-a_0}{h_0} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{a_n-a_{n-1}}{h_{n-1}} - \frac{a_{n-1}-a_{n-2}}{h_{n-2}} \\ f'(x_n) - \frac{a_n-a_{n-1}}{h_{n-1}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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Clamped Splines

```
function Splines = ClampedSplines(x,f,df)
%
% This code implements the clamped splines
%
% Written by Ming Gu for Math 128A, Fall 2008
% Updated by Ming Gu for Math 128A, Spring 2015
%
n = length(x);
h = diff(x(:));
rhs = 3 * diff([df(1);diff(f(:))./h;df(2)]);

A = diag(h,1)+diag(h,-1)+2*diag([[0;h]+[h;0]]);

%
% compute the c coefficients. This is a simple
% but very slow way to do it.
%
c          = A \ rhs;
d          = (diff(c)./h)/3;
b          = diff(f(:))./h-(h/3).*(2*c(1:n-1)+c(2:n));
Splines.a = f(:);
Splines.b = b;
Splines.c = c;
Splines.d = d;
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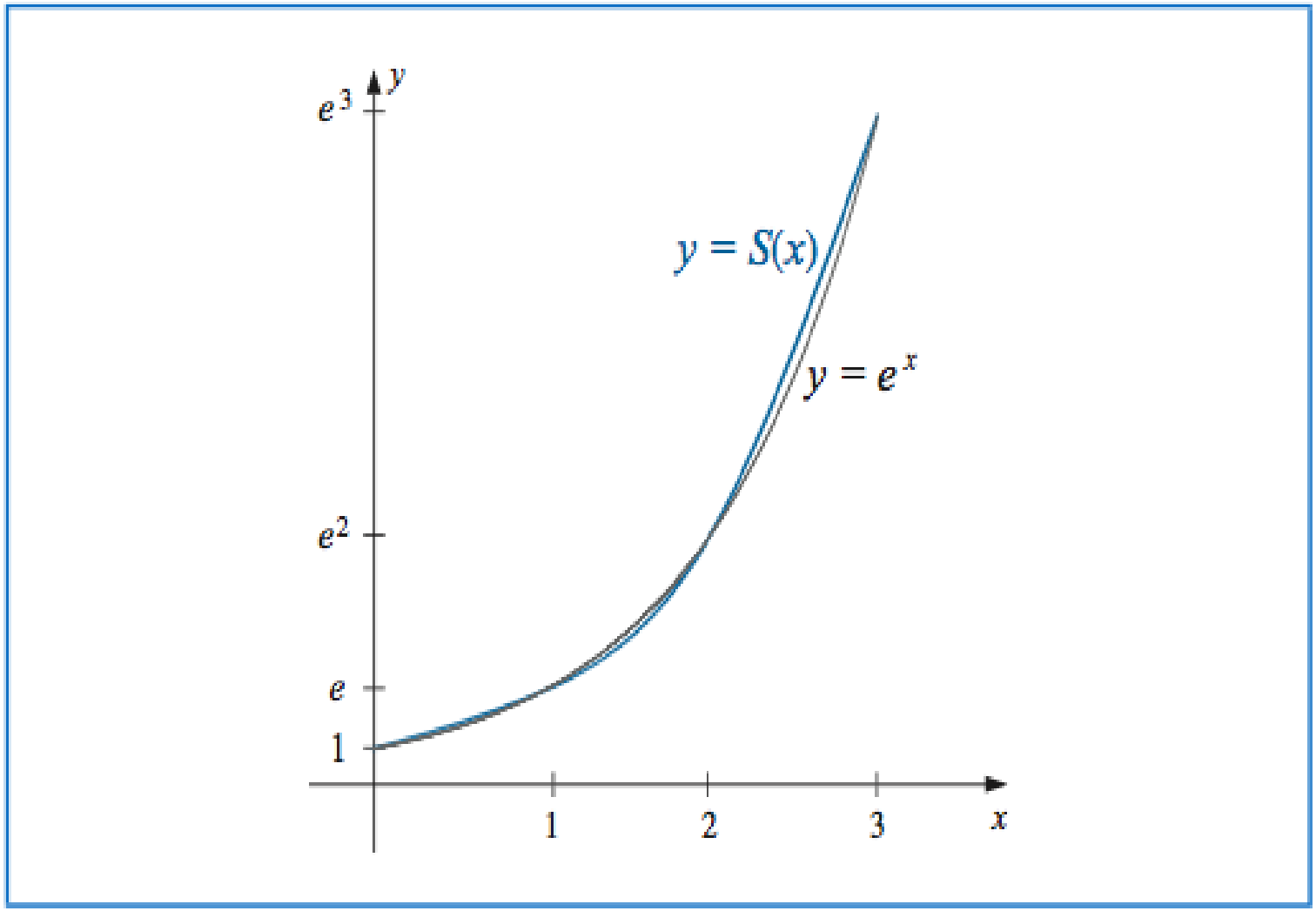
Natural Splines, $f(x) = e^x$, $x_0 = 0, x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 3$



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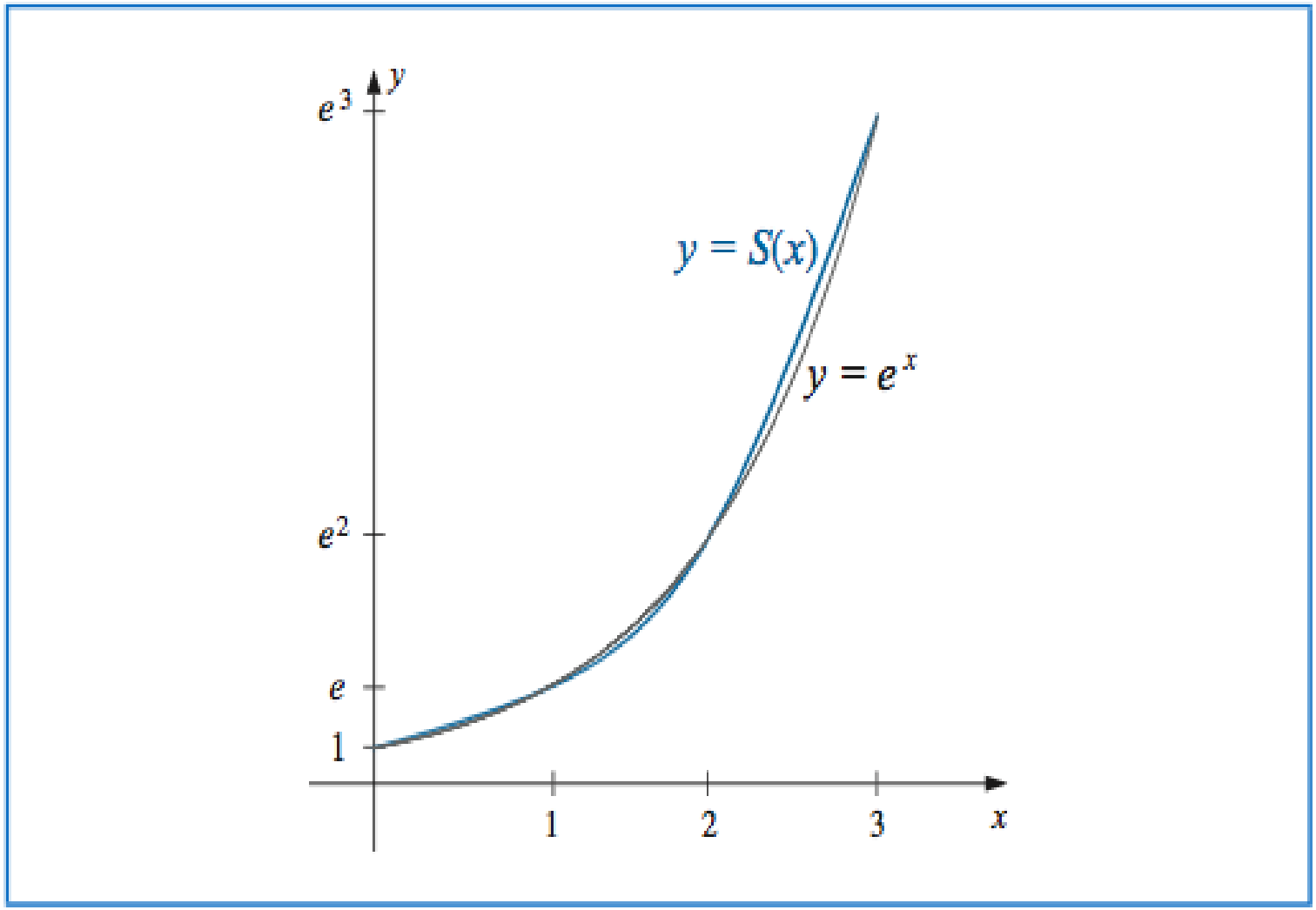


Splines

- Given $n+1$ distinct points

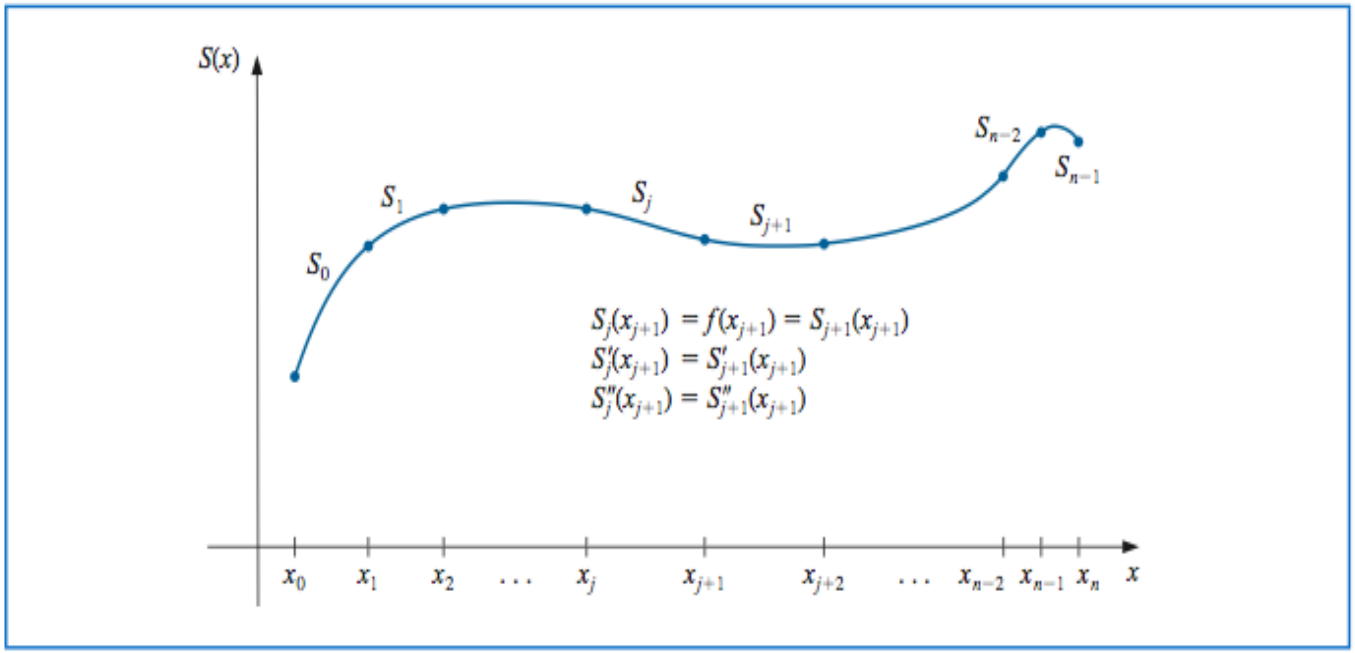
$$(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), \cdots, (x_n, f(x_n)),$$

- Find *cubic spline interpolant* $S(x) \in C^2[x_0, x_n]$,

$$S(x) = S_j(x) \stackrel{def}{=} a_j + b_j(x - x_j) + c_j(x - x_j)^2 + d_j(x - x_j)^3,$$

for $x \in [x_j, x_{j+1}]$, $0 \leq j \leq n-1$.

- $S(x_j) = f(x_j)$, $0 \leq j \leq n$.

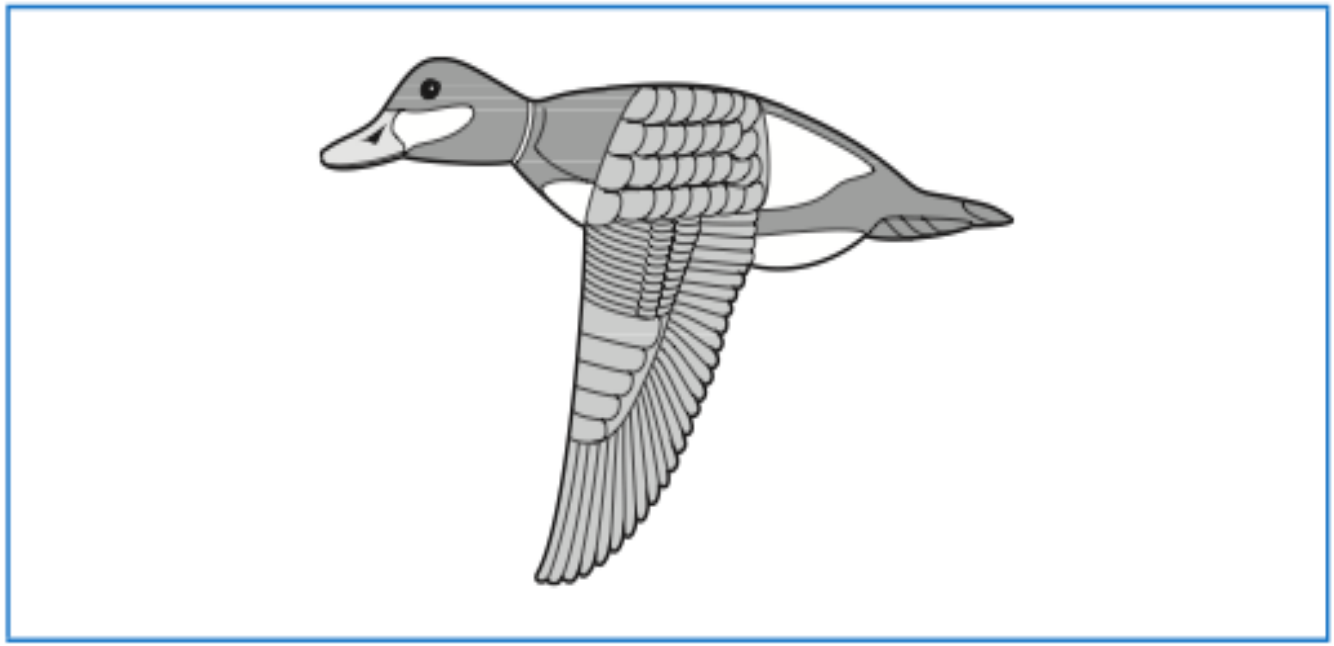


Two flavors of Splines

- **Natural Splines**: $S_0''(x_0) = S_{n-1}''(x_n) = 0$.
- **Clamped Splines**: $S_0'(x_0) = f'(x_0),\ S_{n-1}'(x_n) = f'(x_n)$.

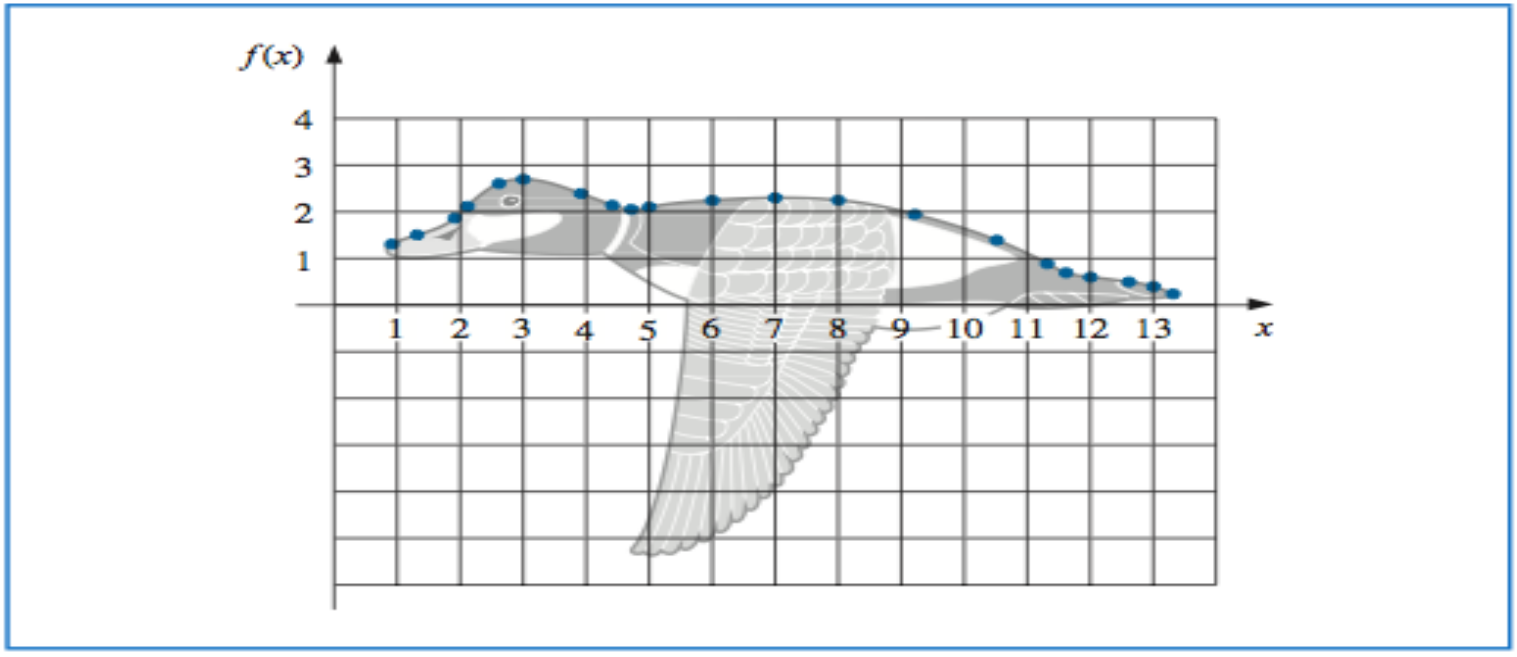
A duck in Splines

- A duck in flight



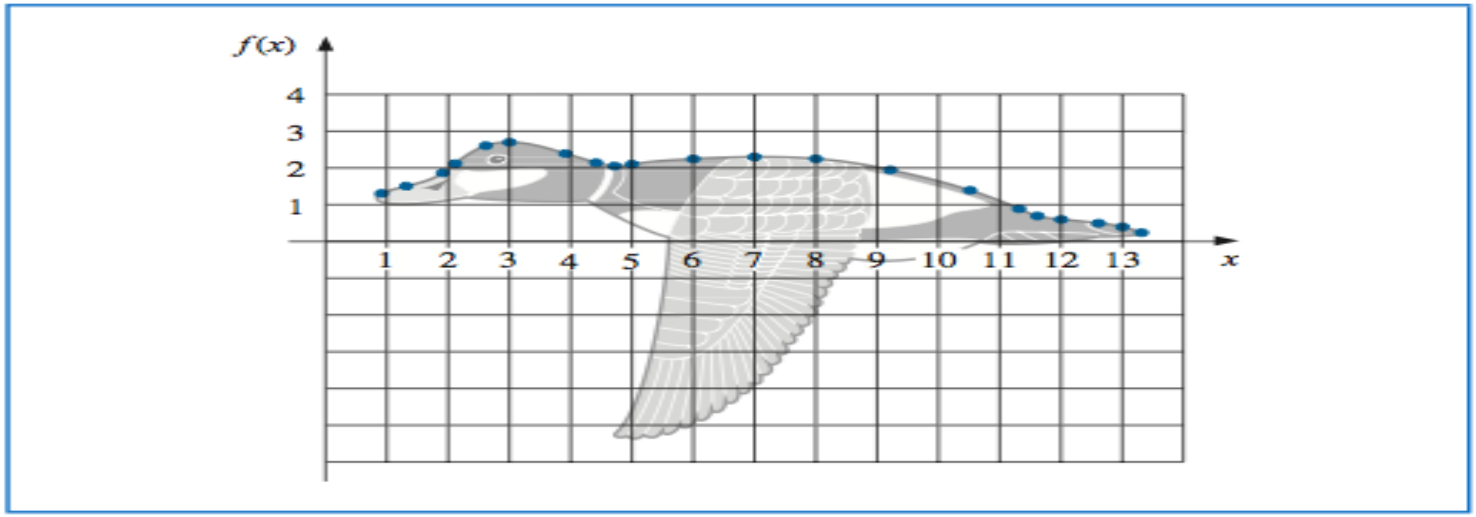
- Goal: to approximate the top profile.

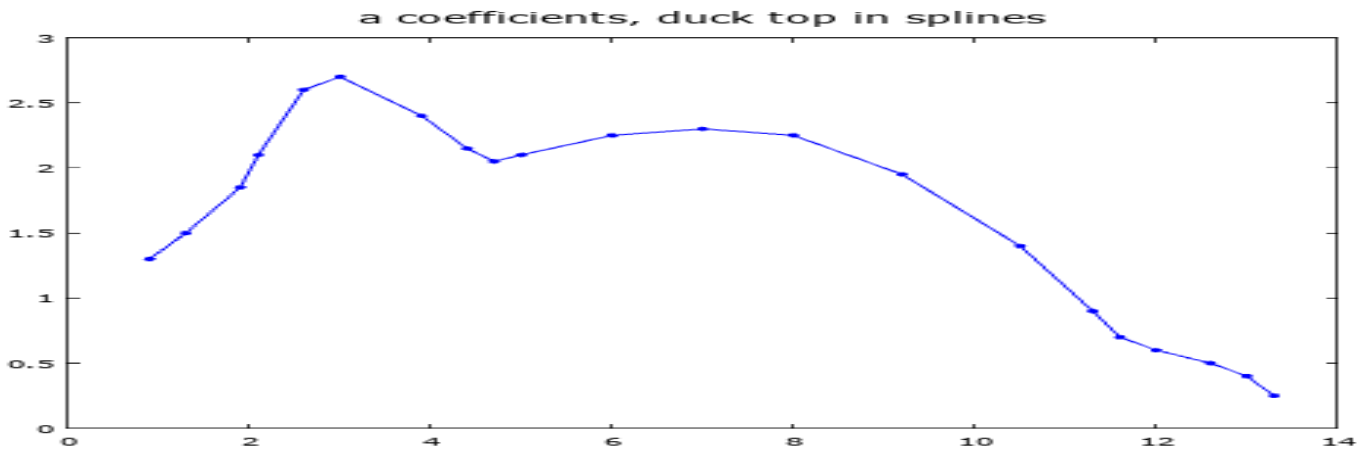
duck top profile



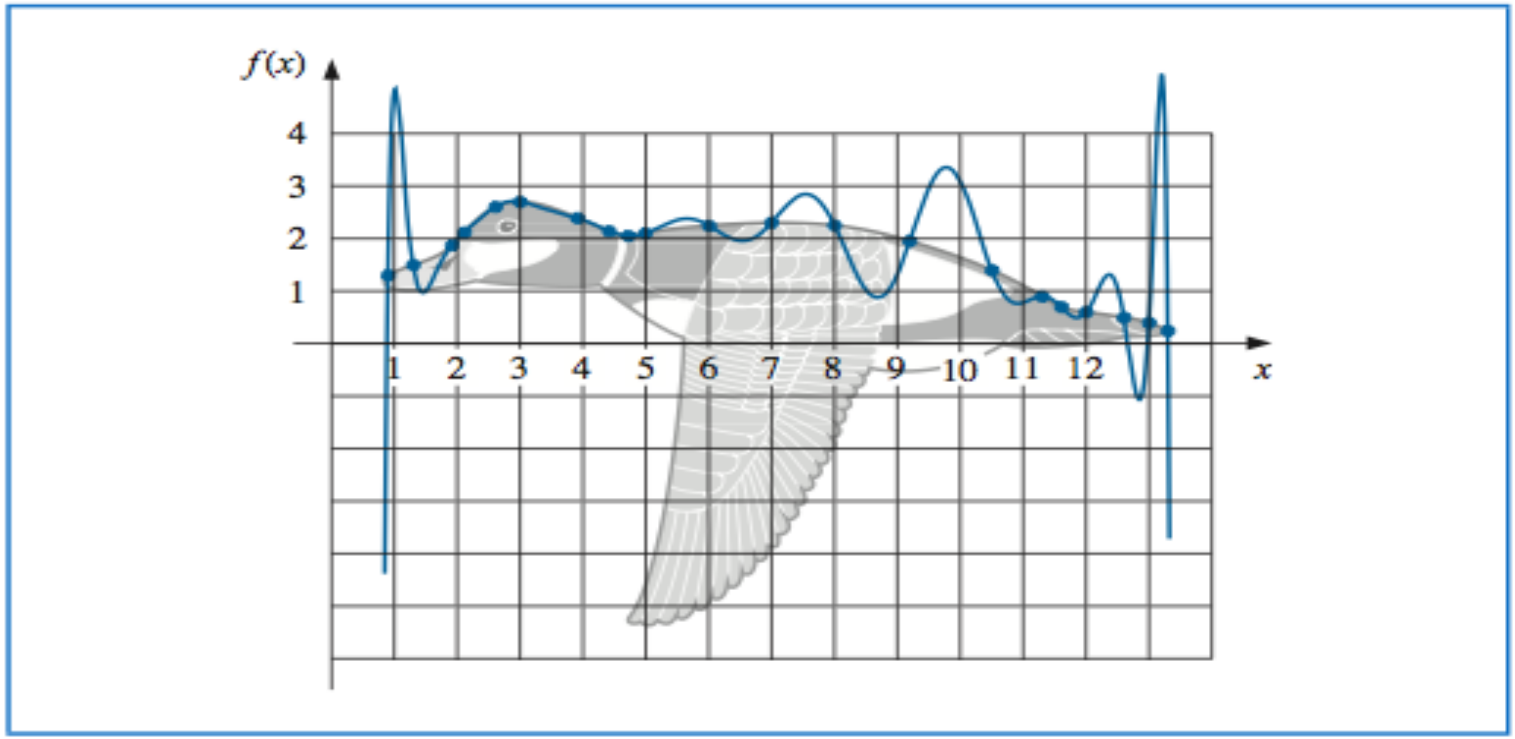
x	0.9	1.3	1.9	2.1	2.6	3.0	3.9	4.4	4.7	5.0	6.0	7.0	8.0	9.2	10.5	11.3	11.6	12.0	12.6	13.0	13.3
$f(x)$	1.3	1.5	1.85	2.1	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.15	2.05	2.1	2.25	2.3	2.25	1.95	1.4	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.25

Duck top profile in Natural Splines, *a* coefficients

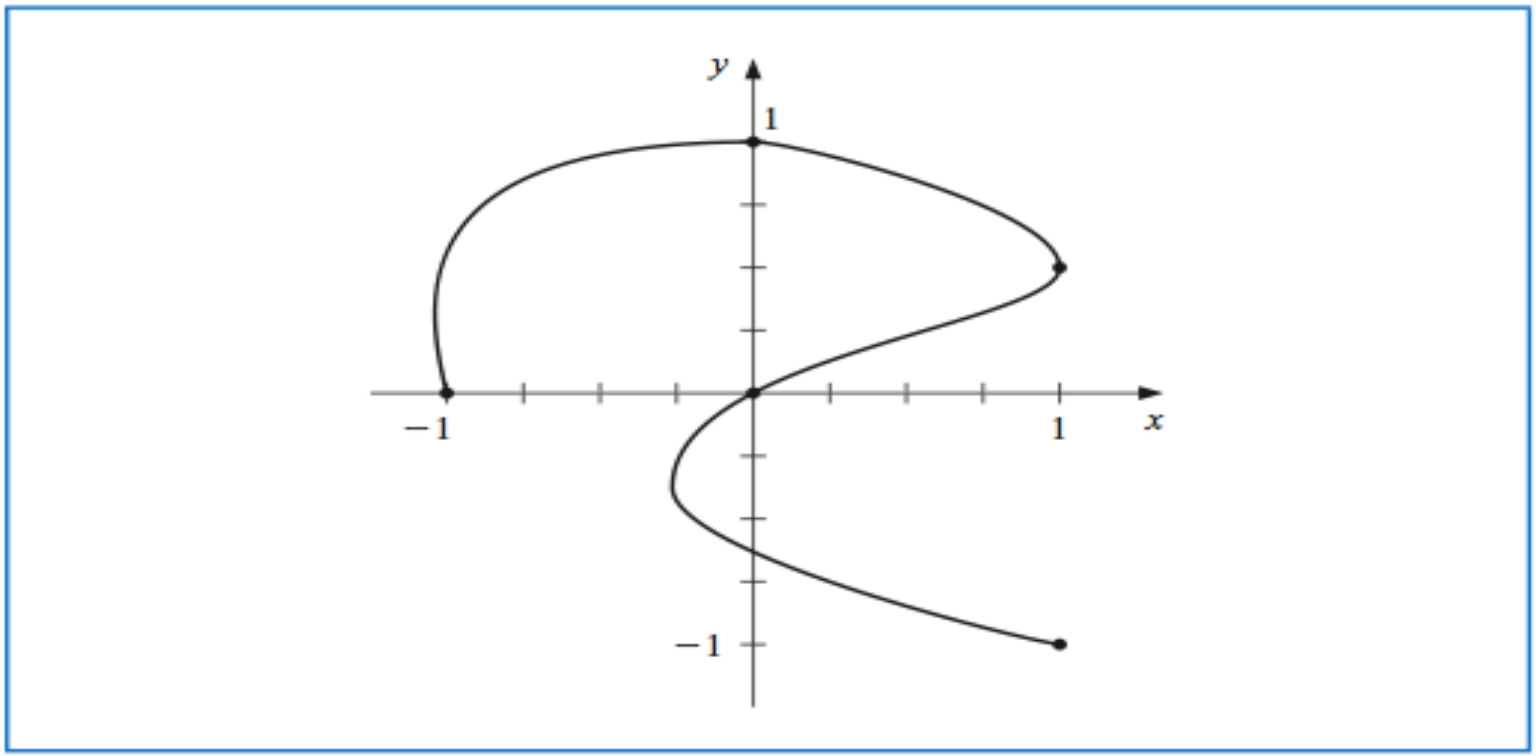




Duck top profile in 20-degree polynomial interpolation



Parametric Curves: $x = x(t), \quad y = y(t)$



Parametric Curve Approximation

- Given $n+1$ distinct points

$$(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \cdots, (x_n, y_n),$$

where

$$x_j = x(t_j), \quad y_j = y(t_j), \quad j = 0, 1, \cdots, n.$$

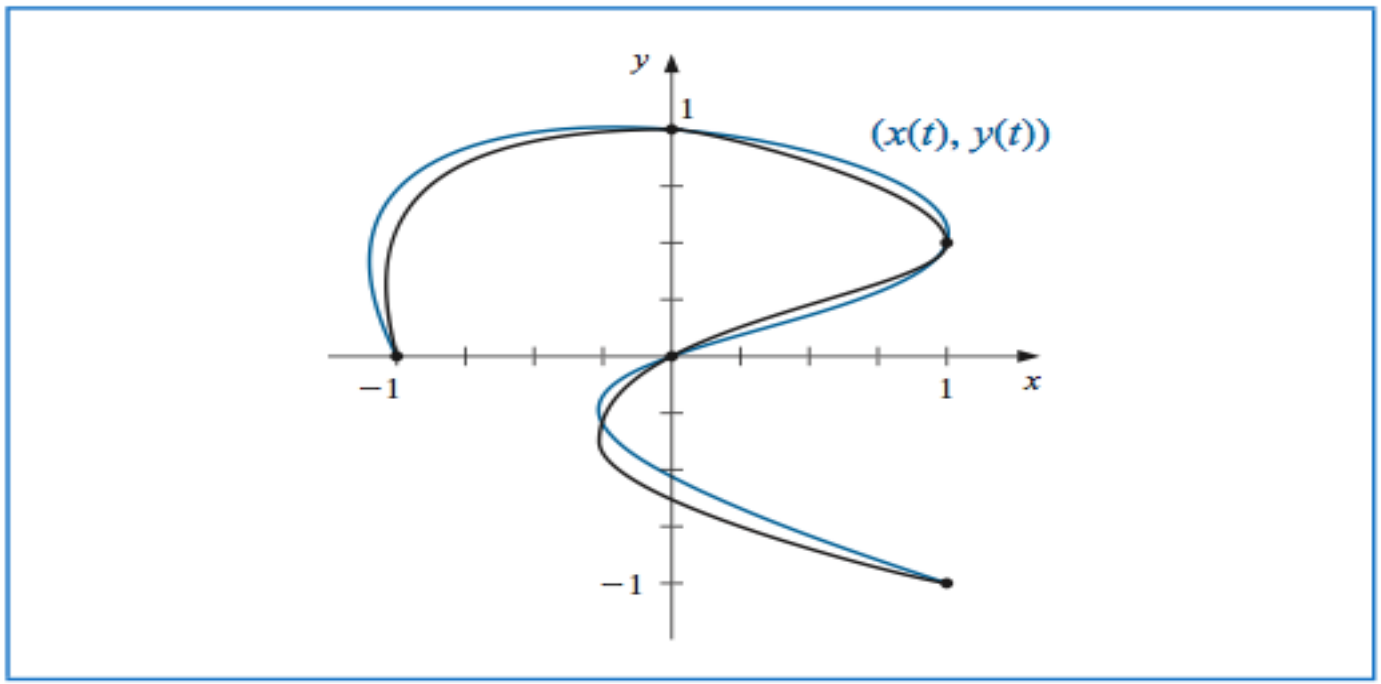
- Example

i	0	1	2	3	4
t_i	0	0.25	0.5	0.75	1
x_i	-1	0	1	0	1
y_i	0	1	0.5	0	-1

Parametric Curve Approximation

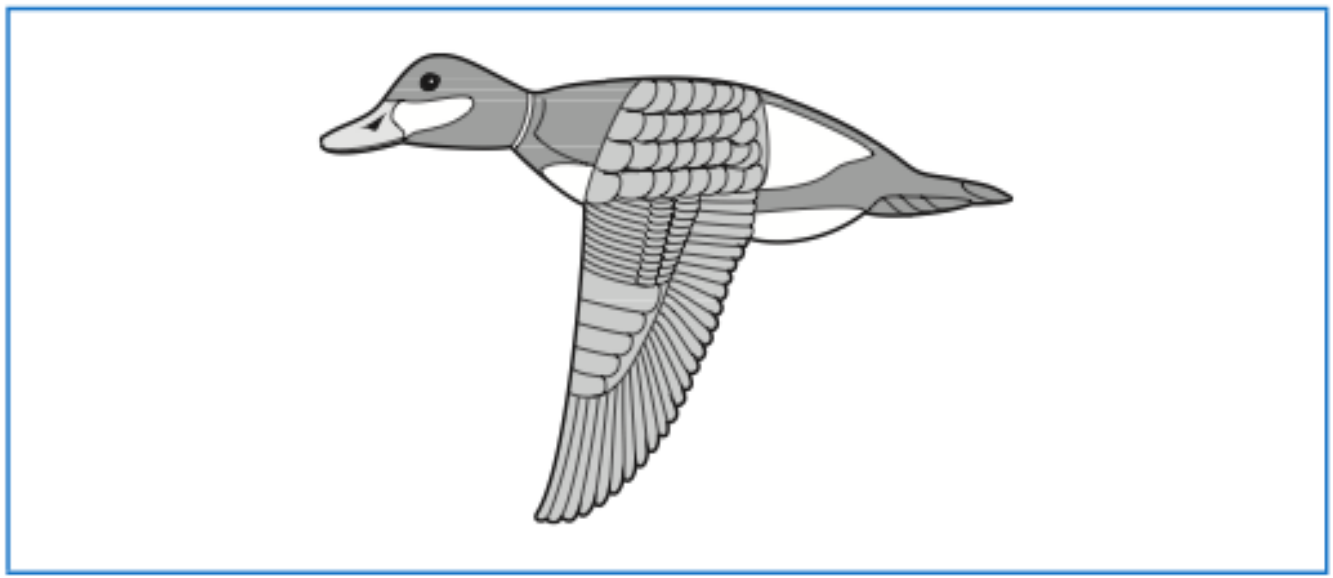
- Polynomial interpolation on $x = x(t)$, and $y = y(t)$, respectively.

$$
\begin{aligned}
x(t) &= \left(\left(\left(64t - \frac{352}{3}\right)t + 60\right)t - \frac{14}{3}\right)t - 1, \\
y(t) &= \left(\left(\left(-\frac{64}{3}t + 48\right)t - \frac{116}{3}\right)t + 11\right)t.
\end{aligned}
$$



Parametric Curves in Computer Graphics

- **Design**: Piece-wise cubic Hermite polynomial.
- **Feature**: Each cubic Hermite polynomial is completely determined by function/derivative at endpoints.
- **Consequence**:, Each portion of the curve can be changed while leaving most of the curve the same.



As duck flies, parametric curve can effectively evolve.

Parametric Curves: Piece-wise cubic Hermite polynomials

- **Given**: $n+1$ data points $(x(t_0), y(t_0)), \cdots, (x(t_n), y(t_n))$.
- **Given**: $n+1$ derivatives $\frac{dy}{dx}|_{t=t_i}$, $0 \le i \le n$.

- **Find**: Piece-wise cubic Hermite polynomial:

$$x = x_i(t), \quad y = y_i(t), \quad \text{for} \quad i \in [t_i, t_{i+1}], \quad 0 \le i \le n,$$

such that

$$\begin{aligned} x_i(t_i) &= x(t_i), \ y_i(t_i) = y(t_i), \ x_i(t_{i+1}) = x(t_{i+1}), \ y_i(t_{i+1}) = y(t_{i+1}), \\ \frac{dy}{dx}|_{t=t_i} &= \frac{y_i'(t_i)}{x_i'(t_i)}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dy}{dx}|_{t=t_{i+1}} = \frac{y_i'(t_{i+1})}{x_i'(t_{i+1})} \end{aligned}$$

8 parameters in $x_i(t), y_i(t)$ with 6 given conditions for each i.

Guidepoints guide slopes (assume $[t_i, t_{i+1}] = [0, 1]$)

- The cubic Hermite polynomial $x(t)$ on $[0, 1]$ satisfies

$$x(0) = x_0, \quad x(1) = x_1, x'(0) = \alpha_0, \quad \text{and} \quad x'(1) = \alpha_1.$$

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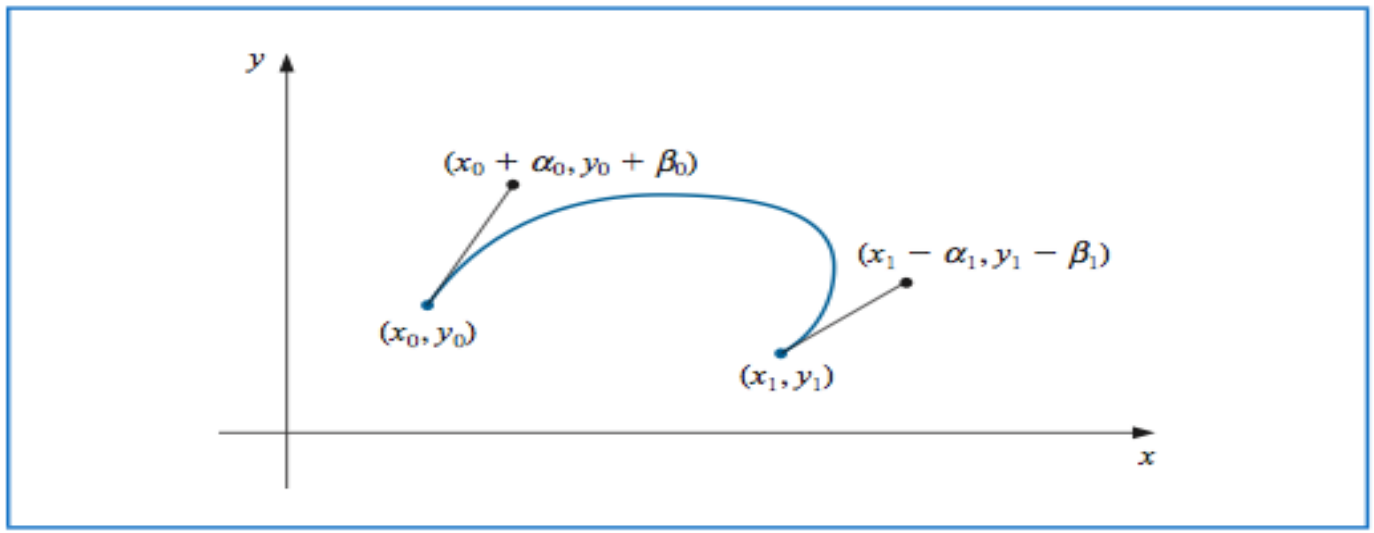
- Guidepoints guide slopes

$$\frac{dy}{dx}|_{t=0} = \frac{\beta_0}{\alpha_0}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dy}{dx}|_{t=1} = \frac{\beta_1}{\alpha_1}.$$



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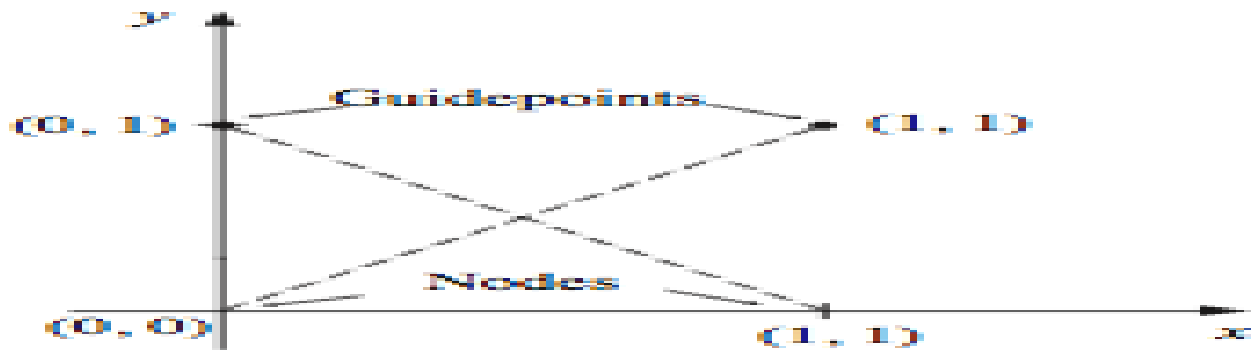

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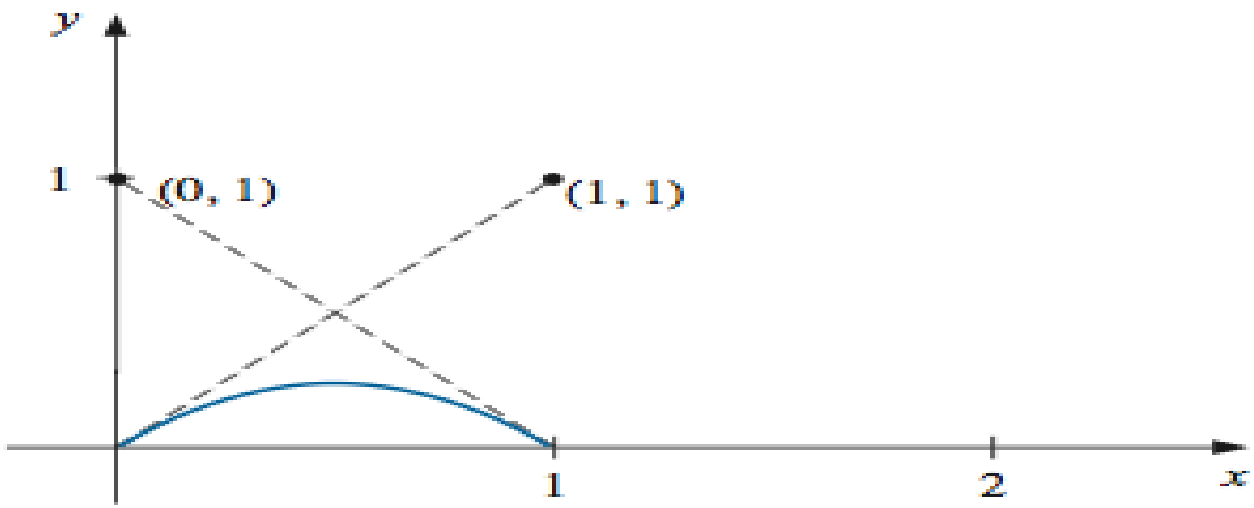

Numerical Differentiation

Derivative of given function $f(x)$ at x_0

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x_0) &= \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h} \\ &\approx \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h} \quad \text{for small values of } h. \end{aligned}$$

How good is this approximation?

By Taylor expansion, there is a ξ between x_0 and $x_0 + h$,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_0 + h) &= f(x_0) + h\, f'(x_0) + \frac{1}{2} h^2\, f''(\xi), \\ \text{therefore} \quad f'(x_0) &= \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h} - \frac{1}{2} h\, f''(\xi). \end{aligned}$$

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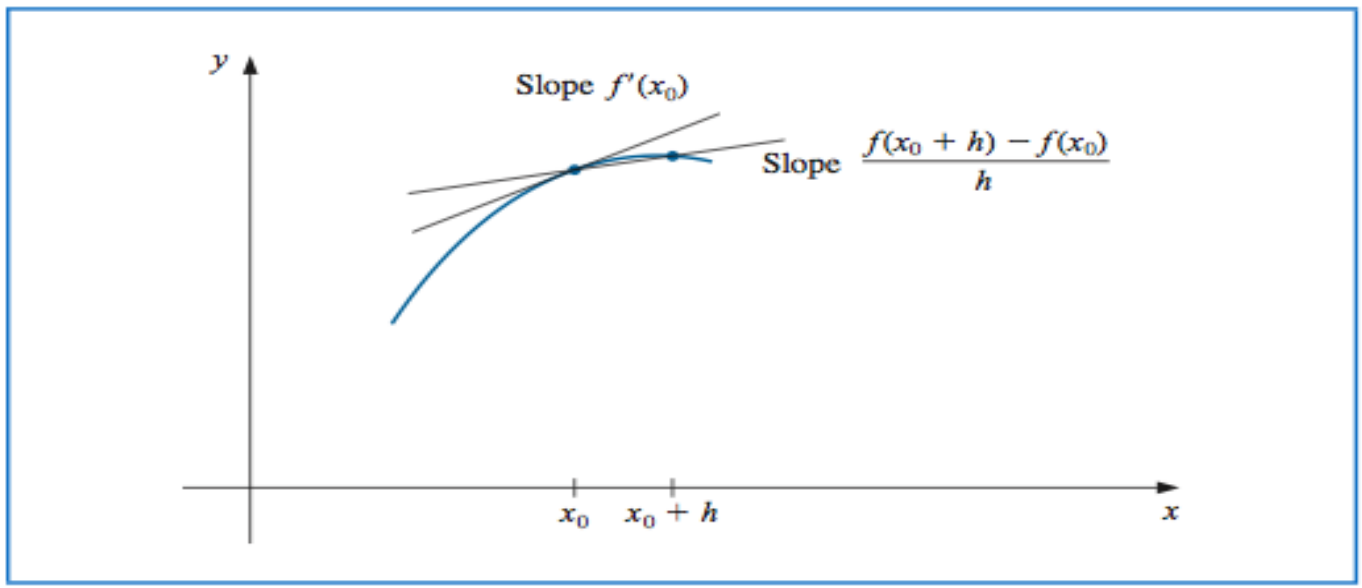

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h	$f(1.8+h)$	$\dfrac{f(1.8+h)-f(1.8)}{h}$	$\dfrac{\lvert h\rvert}{2(1.8)^2}$
0.1	0.64185389	0.5406722	0.0154321
0.05	0.61518564	0.5479795	0.0077160
0.01	0.59332685	0.5540180	0.0015432

Numerical Differentiation, via polynomial interpolation

Suppose that $\{x_0, x_1, \cdots, x_n\}$ are $n+1$ distinct numbers,

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Messy. But last term $= 0$ for $x = x_k, k = 0, 1, \cdots, n$

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&\approx \sum_{j=0}^{n} f(x_j) L_j'(x_k).
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$\boxed{(n+1)\text{-}\textbf{point formula}, \text{ works for any nodal choices.}}$

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$$f'(x_j) = f(x_0)\left[\frac{2x_j - x_1 - x_2}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)}\right] + f(x_1)\left[\frac{2x_j - x_0 - x_2}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)}\right]$$
$$+ f(x_2)\left[\frac{2x_j - x_0 - x_1}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)}\right] + \frac{1}{6}f^{(3)}(\xi_j)\prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq j}}^{2}(x_j - x_k),$$

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$$f'(x_0+2h) = \frac{1}{h}\left[\frac{1}{2}f(x_0) - 2f(x_0+h) + \frac{3}{2}f(x_0+2h)\right] + \frac{h^2}{3}f^{(3)}(\xi_2).$$

5-point formulas, equi-spaced nodes

Choose $x_1 = x_0 - h, x_2 = x_0 - 2h,\ x_3 = x_0 + h, x_4 = x_0 + 2h$,with $h \neq 0$.

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{12h}[f(x_0 - 2h) - 8f(x_0 - h) + 8f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 + 2h)] + \frac{h^4}{30}f^{(5)}(\xi),$$

Second order derivatives, equi-spaced points

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Therefore

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f''(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0+h)+f(x_0-h)-2f(x_0)}{h^2} - \frac{h^2}{12}f^{(4)}(\xi).
$$

Round-Off Error Instability

(For example) three-point midpoint formula

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 - h)}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{6} f^{(3)}(\xi).$$

- every step in the computation could incur round-off error.
- division by $2h$ could magnify round-off error.

Assume round-off error model

$$f(x_0+h) = \widehat{f}(x_0+h)+e(x_0+h) \quad \text{and} \quad f(x_0-h) = \widehat{f}(x_0-h)+e(x_0-h),$$

where $|e(x_0 + h)| \leq \epsilon$, $|e(x_0 - h)| \leq \epsilon$. No other round-off errors.

It follows

$$f'(x_0) - \frac{\widehat{f}(x_0+h) - \widehat{f}(x_0-h)}{2h} = \frac{e(x_0+h) - e(x_0-h)}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{6} f^{(3)}(\xi)$$

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$$\left| f'(x_0) - \frac{\widehat{f}(x_0+h) - \widehat{f}(x_0-h)}{2h} \right| \leq \left| \frac{e(x_0+h) - e(x_0-h)}{2h} \right| + \frac{h^2}{6} |f^{(3)}(\xi)|.$$

Assume $|e(x_0+h)| \leq \epsilon$, $|e(x_0-h)| \leq \epsilon$ and $|f^{(3)}(\xi)| \leq M$, an upper bound on $|f^{(3)}(x)|$,

$$\left| f'(x_0) - \frac{\widehat{f}(x_0+h) - \widehat{f}(x_0-h)}{2h} \right| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{h} + \frac{M\,h^2}{6} \stackrel{def}{=} e(h).$$

Round-Off Error Instability: optimal h choice

$$e(h) = \frac{\epsilon}{h} + \frac{M\,h^2}{6}$$

is smallest at

$$h_{\mathbf{min}} = \left(\frac{3\epsilon}{M}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = O\left(\epsilon^{\frac{1}{3}}\right),$$

with

$$e(h_{\mathbf{min}}) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{9\epsilon^2}{M}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = O\left(\epsilon^{\frac{2}{3}}\right).$$