

Interpolation

Tabulated Data:

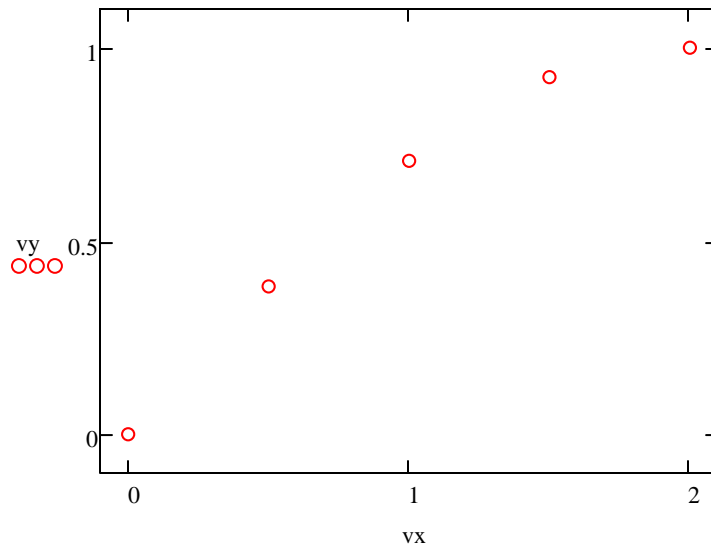
$$vx := \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0.5 \\ 1 \\ 1.5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(x) := \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot x\right)$$

$$i := 0..4$$

$$vy_i := f(vx_i)$$

$$vy = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0.383 \\ 0.707 \\ 0.924 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



we wish to estimate the y value for an untabulated x value of 0.7 (between 0.5 and 1)

Linear Interpolation:

$$x := .7$$

$$x_0 := vx_1 \quad y_0 := vy_1 \quad x_1 := vx_2 \quad y_1 := vy_2$$

$$y_{\text{linear}} := y_0 + \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} \cdot (x - x_0) \quad y_{\text{linear}} = 0.512$$

$$y_t := f(x) \quad y_t = 0.522499$$

$$\varepsilon_t := \left| \frac{y_t - y_{\text{linear}}}{y_t} \right| \quad \varepsilon_t = 1.923 \%$$

MathCAD method:

$$\text{linterp}(vx, vy, .7) = 0.51245$$

Format-Result to 5 decimal places

Quadratic Interpolation:

$$x_2 := vx_3 \quad y_2 := vy_3 \quad \text{adding another tabulated point}$$

$$y_{\text{quadratic}} := y_{\text{linear}} + \frac{\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} - \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0}}{x_2 - x_0} \cdot (x - x_0) \cdot (x - x_1) \quad y_{\text{quadratic}} = 0.525$$

$$\varepsilon_{\text{rel}} := \left| \frac{y_t - y_{\text{quadratic}}}{y_t} \right| \quad \varepsilon_t = 0.55 \%$$

Cubic Interpolation:

$$x_3 := vx_4 \quad y_3 := vy_4 \quad \text{adding another tabulated point}$$

$$\text{fdd1}(x_i, x_j) := \frac{f(x_i) - f(x_j)}{x_i - x_j}$$

$$\text{fdd2}(x_i, x_j, x_k) := \frac{\text{fdd1}(x_i, x_j) - \text{fdd1}(x_j, x_k)}{x_i - x_k}$$

$$\text{fdd3}(x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0) := \frac{\text{fdd2}(x_3, x_2, x_1) - \text{fdd2}(x_2, x_1, x_0)}{x_3 - x_0}$$

$$b_0 := f(x_0) \quad b_0 = 0.383$$

$$b_1 := \text{fdd1}(x_1, x_0) \quad b_1 = 0.649$$

$$b_2 := \text{fdd2}(x_2, x_1, x_0) \quad b_2 = -0.215$$

$$b_3 := \text{fdd3}(x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0) \quad b_3 = -0.044$$

$$y_{\text{linear}} := b_0 + b_1 \cdot (x - x_0) \quad y_{\text{linear}} = 0.512$$

$$y_{\text{quadratic}} := y_{\text{linear}} + b_2 \cdot (x - x_0) \cdot (x - x_1) \quad y_{\text{quadratic}} = 0.525$$

$$y_cubic := y_quadratic + b_3 \cdot (x - x_0) \cdot (x - x_1) \cdot (x - x_2)$$

$$y_cubic = 0.523$$

$$\varepsilon_t := \left| \frac{y_t - y_cubic}{y_t} \right| \quad \varepsilon_t = 0.145 \%$$

Alternative (full) equation:

$$y_cubic := b_0 + b_1 \cdot (x - x_0) + b_2 \cdot (x - x_0) \cdot (x - x_1) \dots \\ + b_3 \cdot (x - x_0) \cdot (x - x_1) \cdot (x - x_2)$$

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$$y_cubic = 0.52326$$

Lagrange Interpolating Polynomials:

$$vx := (0.5 \ 1 \ 1.5 \ 2)^T$$

$$L(vx, i, x, n) := \begin{cases} L \leftarrow 1 \\ \text{for } j \in 0..n \\ L \leftarrow L \cdot \frac{(x - vx_j)}{(vx_i - vx_j)} \text{ if } j \neq i \end{cases}$$

checking some of the Lagrange factors [$L_i(x)=1$ for $x=x_i$; $L_i(x)=0$ at $x = x_j$ where $j <> i$]:

$$L(vx, 0, vx_0, 1) = 1 \quad L(vx, 0, vx_1, 2) = 0 \quad L(vx, 2, vx_2, 3) = 1 \quad L(vx, 2, vx_3, 3) = 0$$

$$\text{Lagrange_poly}(n, vx, x) := \sum_{i=0}^n (L(vx, i, x, n) \cdot f(vx_i))$$

$$\text{Lagrange_poly}(1, vx, .7) = 0.51245$$

$$\text{Lagrange_poly}(2, vx, .7) = 0.52537$$

$$\text{Lagrange_poly}(3, vx, .7) = 0.52326$$

Finding Coefficients of an Interpolation Polynomial:

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 \cdot x + a_2 \cdot x^2 + a_3 \cdot x^3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_0 & (x_0)^2 & (x_0)^3 \\ 1 & x_1 & (x_1)^2 & (x_1)^3 \\ 1 & x_2 & (x_2)^2 & (x_2)^3 \\ 1 & x_3 & (x_3)^2 & (x_3)^3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underset{\text{M}}{x} := \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 1 \\ 1.5 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad i := 0..3 \quad y_i := f(x_i) \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 0.383 \\ 0.707 \\ 0.924 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$j := 0..3$$

$$\underset{\text{M}}{A}_{i,j} := (x_i)^j \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.5 & 0.25 & 0.125 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1.5 & 2.25 & 3.375 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} := A^{-1} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.016 \\ 0.851 \\ -0.083 \\ -0.044 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underset{\text{M}}{f}(x) := \sum_i (a_i \cdot x^i)$$

$$f(.7) = 0.52326$$

same result as Newton and Lagrange cubic interpolations (because the polynomial is unique)

Comparing the cubic polynomial fit to the tabulated data and the theoretical function:

$$xr := .5, .51 \dots 2 \quad f_t(x) := \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \cdot x\right)$$

