

# Homework #4

Due: Friday November 21  
MTHBD/CMPBD 423

**Be sure to read the Homework Rules.** If you need a copy let me know. I will take off points according to those rules. You may discuss these problems with your classmates (only) but you cannot share code or copy proofs. If you do, I will consider it a violation of academic integrity.

1. Interpolating data with three forms of polynomials. (10 pts)

You are asked to find the coefficients of the 4th degree polynomial which interpolates the following data

$x$	0	2	4	6	8
$y$	15	-17	-125	-285	-377

- Vandermonde Method: Find the coefficients  $(a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n)$  of the interpolating polynomial in the form:

$$p_n(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_nx^n$$

Find these coefficients using the Vandermonde matrix.

- Lagrange interpolation polynomial: Find the coefficients  $(b_0, b_1, \dots, b_n)$  of the interpolating polynomial in the form:

$$p_n(x) = b_0 \ell_0(x) + b_1 \ell_1(x) + \dots + b_n \ell_n(x) \quad \text{where} \quad \ell_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$$

- Newton interpolation polynomial: Find the coefficients  $(c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n)$  of the interpolating polynomial in the form:

$$p_n(x) = c_0 + c_1(x - x_0) + c_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + \dots + c_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1})$$

Use the method of divided differences to calculate these coefficients.

For this problem you are to hand in the completed table on the next page. There is an example on page 311 that may be used to aid in checking your algorithms.

2. Do numbers 27 in Section 6.1 of the text. This should take one page. (10 pts)

3. Approximate  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$  with  $P_{10}(x)$  over the interval  $[-5, 5]$  using 11 equally spaced nodes where  $x_0 = -5$ . Plot  $f(x)$  and  $P_{10}(x)$  over the vector  $x = -5 : .1 : 5$ . Now superimpose on this a graph of  $P_{10}(x)$  using the Chebyshev nodes plotted over the same  $x$  values. So the figure should contain 3 graphs: The function, The polynomial interpolating 11 equally spaced nodes, and the polynomial interpolating 11 Chebyshev nodes. Clearly label each curve. You may use MATLAB's **polyfit** and **polyval** functions if you want but you have to learn how to use them properly. (10 pts)

4. Do number 26 in Section 6.2 of the text. **Hint** Interpolate  $f$  at  $x_0 = x$ ,  $x_1 = x + h$ , and  $x_2 = x + 2h$  with a quadratic Newton Interpolating Polynomial. You do not need any code. This should take one page. (10 pts)



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Table for Problem number 1

type	$i = 0$	$i = 1$	$i = 2$	$i = 3$	$i = 4$
$a_i$					
$b_i$					
$c_i$					

Hand In:

- **Page 1:** This page with the table completed.
- **Page 2:** Problem 27 from Section 6.1
- **Page 3:** The Graph from # 3 with all three curves clearly labelled.
- **Page 4:** Problem 26 from Section 6.2.
- **Page 5:** The annulus graph with cubic spline interpolating polynomial.
- **Pages > 5:** Code for problems 1,3, and 5 in that order.