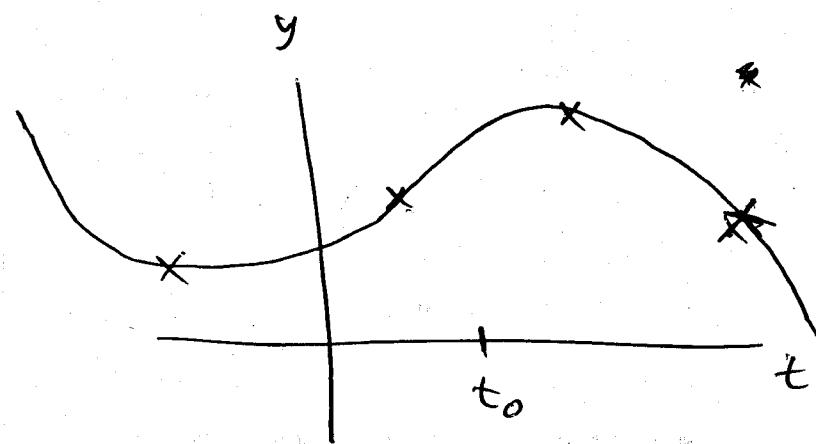


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# Interpolation with polynomials.

1 deg: You have a few data points



\* Want to estimate what happens in between.

\* Find a curve that passes thru the points.

Q: What curve?

We are looking at polynomials.

$$y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + \dots + a_n x^n \quad (\text{degree } n)$$

Q: How do we find it?

Fact: If we have 4 data points, what degree poly do we look for? 3 (i.e. a cubic poly  $y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3$ )

If we have  $n$  data points, looking for a degree  $n-1$  poly.

Fact: It is possible no solution exists.  
When 2 different points have same x-value.

example: Find a polynomial interpolation  
the points (1, 3) (2, 6) (3, 11) (4, 12)

Fix the degree: 3  $y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$

$$a_0 + a_1(1) + a_2(1)^2 + a_3(1)^3 = 3$$

$$a_0 + a_1(2) + a_2(2)^2 + a_3(2)^3 = 6$$

$$a_0 + a_1(3) + a_2(3)^2 + a_3(3)^3 = 11$$

$$a_0 + a_1(4) + a_2(4)^2 + a_3(4)^3 = 12$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1^2 & 1^3 \\ 1 & 2 & 2^2 & 2^3 \\ 1 & 3 & 3^2 & 3^3 \\ 1 & 4 & 4^2 & 4^3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 11 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

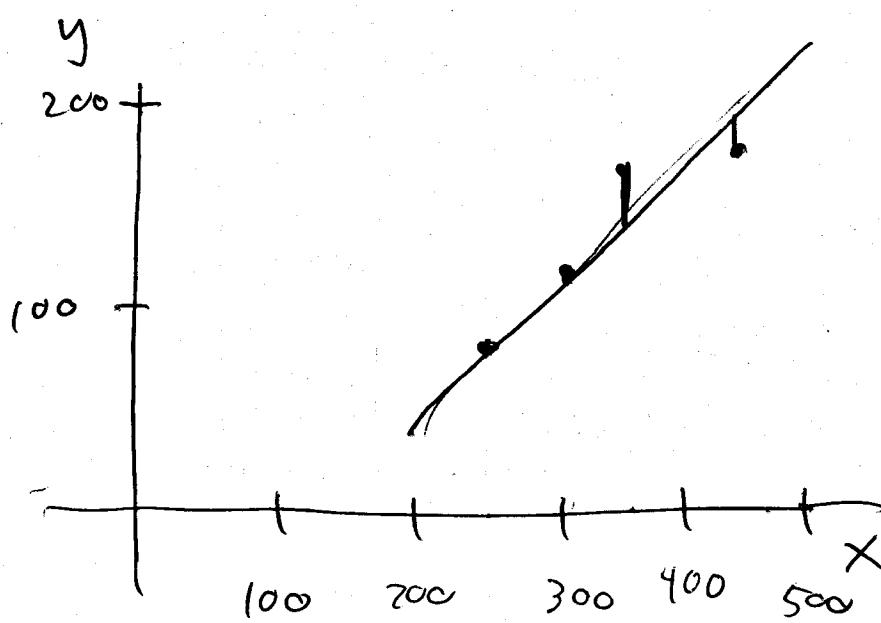
Solve for  $a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3$ .

$$a_0 = 8, a_1 = -11, a_2 = 7, a_3 = -1$$

$\therefore y = 8 - 11x + 7x^2 - x^3$  interpolates  
the data points.

## ② Least squares.

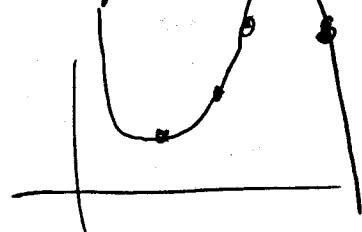
e.g #11, p.42 (back)



Want to fit a good model to this data.

Idea: Interpolate with a polynomial.

(degree 3). Bad idea: too much wiggling



Idea: Pick a line that approximates the data well.

Least squares method: minimize the square of vertical distance.

4 points:  $(250, 95)$   $(300, 120)$   $(350, 165)$   
 $(470, 170)$  line:  $y = a_0 + a_1 x$

Idea:

$$a_0 + a_1(250) = 95$$

$$a_0 + a_1(300) = 120$$

$$a_0 + a_1(350) = 165$$

$$a_0 + a_1(470) = 170$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 250 \\ 1 & 300 \\ 1 & 350 \\ 1 & 470 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 95 \\ 120 \\ 165 \\ 170 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \ X = b$$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 250 & 300 & 350 & 470 \end{bmatrix} \text{ "A transpose"}$$

$$\text{Solve } A^T A X = A^T b.$$

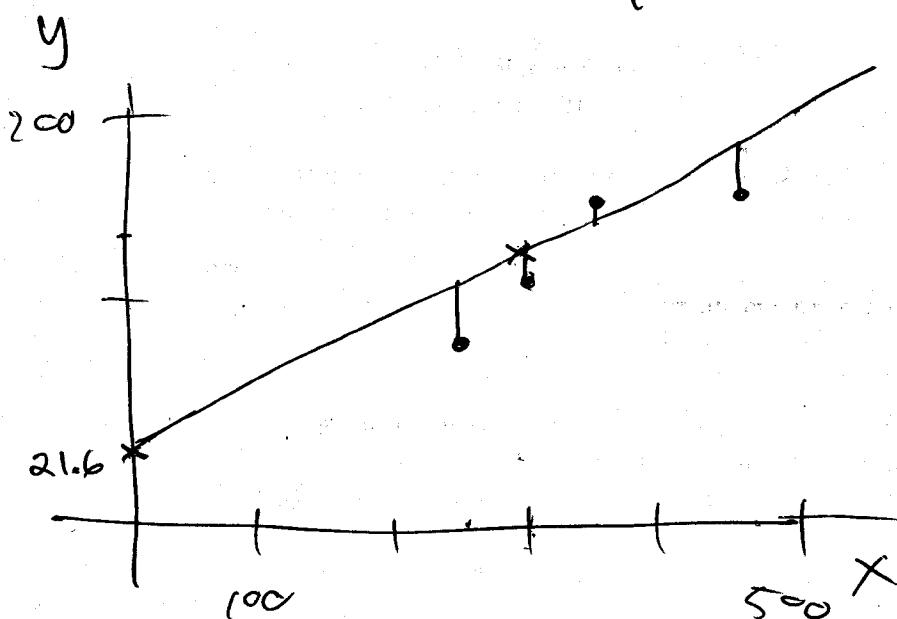
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 250 & 300 & 350 & 400 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 250 \\ 1 & 300 \\ 1 & 350 \\ 1 & 400 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 250 & 300 & 350 & 400 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 95 \\ 120 \\ 165 \\ 170 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1370 \\ 1370 & 495900 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 550 \\ 197400 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solve the system.

$$y = 21.6 + .34x$$

$$a_0 = 21.6 \quad a_1 = .34$$



Predict: If  $x = 500$   $y = 21.6 + .34(500)$   
 $\approx 192$

e.g: Find least squares line for data:

$$(1, 6) \quad (4, 5) \quad (6, 14). \quad y = a_0 + a_1 x$$

$$a_0 + a_1(1) = 6$$

$$a_0 + a_1(4) = 5$$

$$a_0 + a_1(6) = 14$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \vec{x} = b$$

$$A^T A \vec{x} = A^T b \leftarrow \text{Normal Equations.}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 5 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 11 \\ 11 & 53 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 25 \\ 110 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 11 & 25 \\ 11 & 53 & 110 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-11} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{11}{3} & \frac{25}{3} \\ 11 & 53 & 110 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{11}{3} & \frac{25}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{38}{3} & \frac{55}{3} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{11}{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{11}{3} & \frac{25}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{55}{38} \end{bmatrix}$$

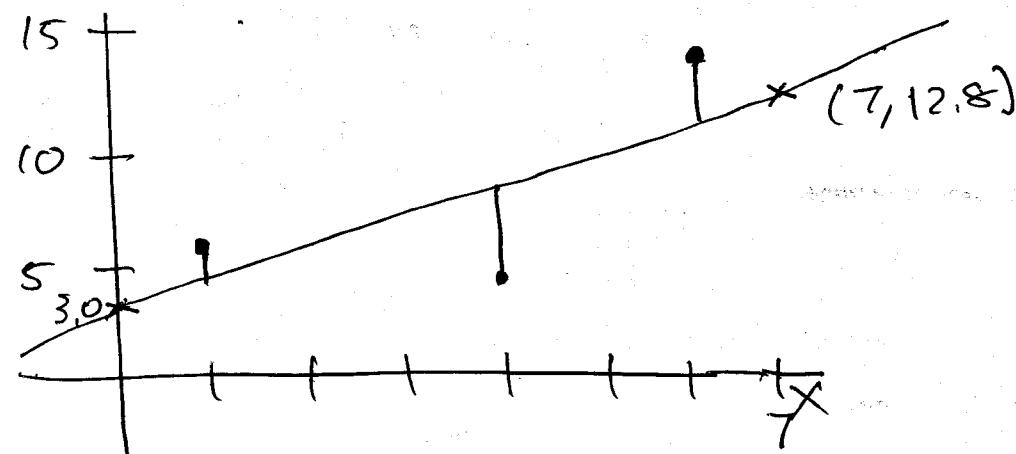
$$-\frac{121}{3} + \frac{159}{3} = \frac{38}{3}$$

$$-\frac{275}{3} + \frac{330}{3} = \frac{55}{3}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3,0 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{55}{38} \approx 1,4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$-\frac{11}{3} \cdot \frac{55}{38} + \frac{25}{3} \approx 3,0$$

$$y \approx 3,0 + 1,4 x$$



e9  $(1, 3) \ (2, 6) \ (3, 12)$

$$y = a_0 + a_1 x$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T \quad A \quad X = A^T b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 51 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 14 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 14 & -6 \\ -6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(3)(14) - (6)(6)$$

$$42 - 36 = 6$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -1 \\ -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 51 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} y &= -2 + \frac{9}{2}x = -2 + 4.5x \\ &= 4.5x - 2 \end{aligned}} \quad //$$

eg  $(1,8) (2,6) (3,4) (4,3)$   $y = a_0 + a_1 x$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 6 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 10 & 30 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 21 \\ 44 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T A \mathbf{x} = A^T b$$

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eg MyMathLab hw 1.5 (6)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 10 \\ 1 & 15 \\ 1 & 20 \\ 1 & 25 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 13.9 \\ 16.9 \\ 19.4 \\ 20.8 \\ 23.2 \\ 25.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \mathbf{x} = b$$

(a)  $y = 14.38 + .44x$  (b)  $y = 14.38 + .44(18)$   
= 22.3

$$(c) 28 = 14.38 + .44x$$

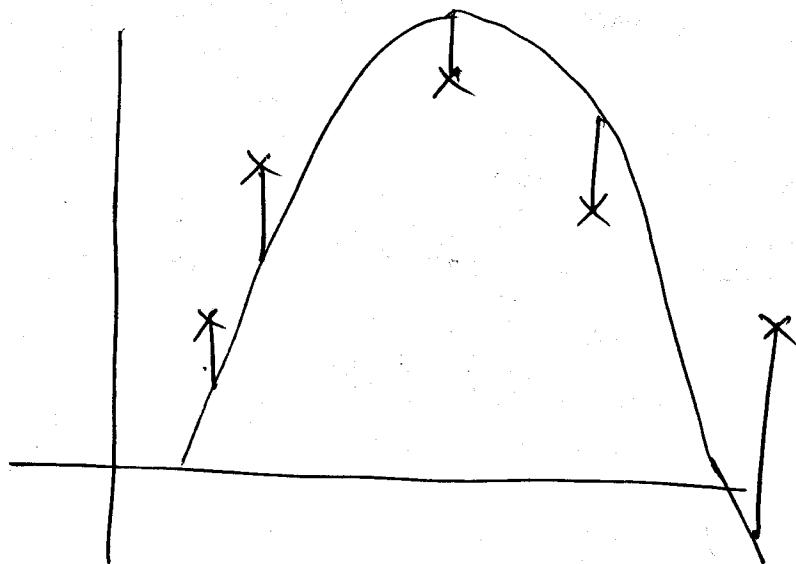
$$13.62 = .44x$$

$$x \approx 31.0 \text{ or } \underline{\underline{2006}}$$

e.g. Exer 4.2, p 30 (notes)

X	1.82	3.69	4.88	2.29	5.23
y	2.03	4.56	3.73	3.28	2.94

x = time (sec)  
y = height (m)



Least squares  
Idea: Find

$$y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2$$

minimizing the ~~square~~ square of vertical distance

$$a_0 + a_1(1.82) + a_2(1.82)^2 = 2.03$$

$$a_0 + a_1(3.69) + a_2(3.69)^2 = 4.56$$

$$a_0 + a_1(4.88) + a_2(4.88)^2 = 3.73$$

$$a_0 + a_1(2.29) + a_2(2.29)^2 = 3.28$$

$$a_0 + a_1(5.23) + a_2(5.23)^2 = 2.94$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1.82 & (1.82)^2 \\ 1 & 3.69 & (3.69)^2 \\ 1 & 4.88 & (4.88)^2 \\ 1 & 2.29 & (2.29)^2 \\ 1 & 5.23 & (5.23)^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.03 \\ 4.56 \\ 3.73 \\ 3.28 \\ 2.94 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \quad X = b$$

$$\underbrace{A^T A}_{3 \times 3} \underbrace{X}_{3 \times 1} = \underbrace{A^T b}_{3 \times 1}$$

Solve system