

**Numerical Methods and Computation**

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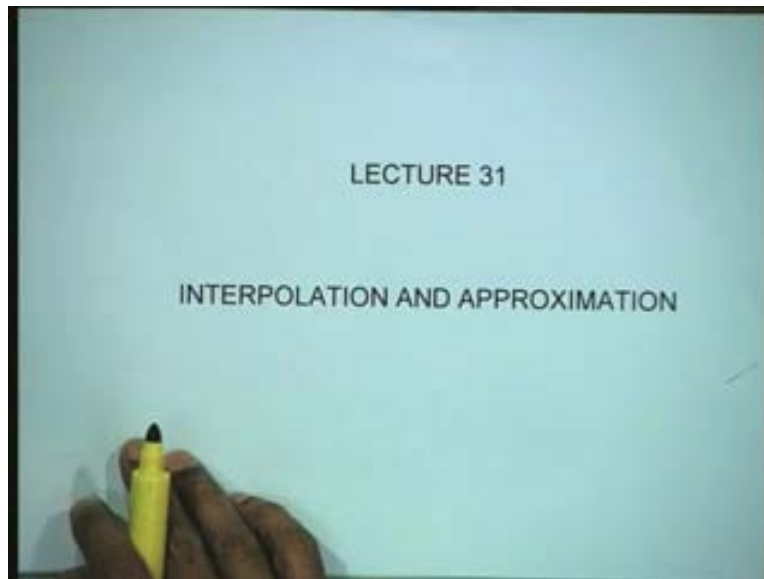
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**Lecture No - 31**

**Interpolation and Approximation (Continued)**

In the previous lecture we have defined what is approximation; we have also defined what is the best approximation.

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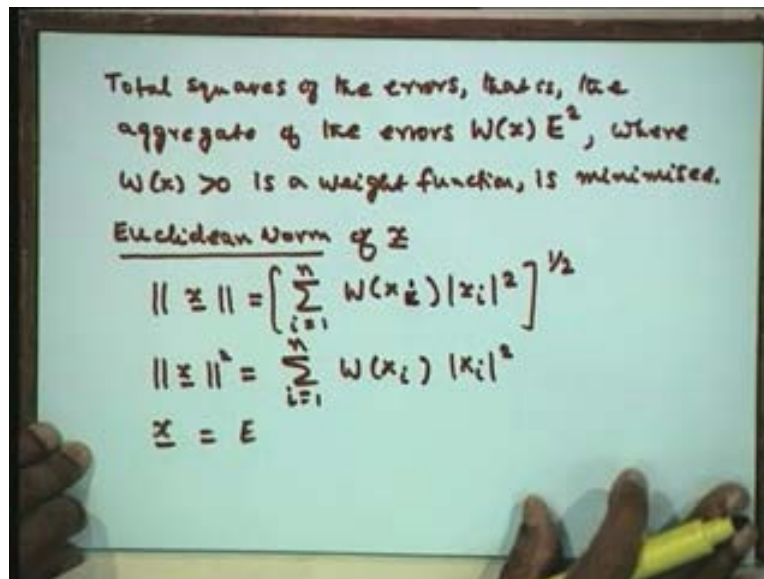
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$$P(x) = c_0 \phi_0(x) + c_1 \phi_1(x) + \dots + c_n \phi_n(x)$$
  
Best approximation: If  $P(x)$  minimizes the error norm  
$$E(f; c) = \|f(x) - (c_0 \phi_0 + c_1 \phi_1 + \dots + c_n \phi_n)\|$$
  
Least Squares approximation  
$$f(x) \approx P(x) = c_0 \phi_0(x) + c_1 \phi_1(x) + \dots + c_n \phi_n(x)$$
  
Error =  $E = f(x) - P(x)$   
$$= f(x) - [c_0 \phi_0 + c_1 \phi_1 + \dots + c_n \phi_n]$$

If we take a function like  $P(x)$  is equal to some  $c_0 \phi_0(x)$  plus  $c_1 \phi_1(x)$  plus so on  $c_n \phi_n(x)$  then we define this as the best approximation if it minimizes the error norm, therefore this is the best approximation, best approximation if  $P(x)$  minimizes the error norm and the error norm we have written it as, error  $f$  vector  $c$  of the constants, norm of  $f(x)$  minus  $(c_0 \phi_0 + c_1 \phi_1 + \dots + c_n \phi_n)$ . Now if we define the norm, suitable norm; then we get different type of approximation we mention that if we use the Euclidian norm we get the least square approximation and if we use the uniform norm you get the uniform approximation.

So let us again just define, what is our Euclidian norm for this function to derive the least square approximation, so let us define the least squares approximation. Therefore we need to define what is our approximation first,  $f(x)$  is equal to  $P(x)$ , approximately  $P(x)$ , that is your  $c_0 \phi_0(x)$  plus  $c_1 \phi_1(x)$  plus so on  $c_n \phi_n(x)$ . Let us denote the error as simply  $E$ , now we will write it as only  $E$  that is inside this norm, so that is your  $f(x)$  minus  $P(x)$ , that is  $f(x)$  this quantity,  $f(x)$  minus  $c_0 \phi_0$  plus  $c_1 \phi_1$  plus so on  $c_n \phi_n$ . Now since we want to use the Euclidean norm, what we shall do is that the square of these errors then sum up, if there is a weight function multiply by the weight function also.

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Therefore the total aggregate of the errors over the interval  $[a, b]$  is now minimized. Therefore we will define the least square approximation as the total squares of the errors, total squares of the errors that is the aggregate, aggregate of the error  $w(x)$  into  $E$  square, where  $w(x)$  is a weight function is greater than 0, is a weight function, is minimized. Therefore the total squares of the errors that mean the total aggregate of the errors  $w(x) E$  square, where  $w(x)$  greater than 0 is a weight function, is minimized. In many applications we just take the weight function as 1, therefore it will be a simply minimizing the aggregate of the errors  $E$  square over the entire interval that is given to us. Now why we are using this is, how the Euclidean norms give this, let us just look at what is the definition of Euclidean norm.

The Euclidean norm of a vector say vector  $x$  that we have, then we have define this as norm of  $x$  is equal to summation of  $i$  is 1 to  $n$ ,  $w(x_k)$  or  $w(x_i)$  magnitude of  $x_i$  square whole to the power of half, this is the definition of the Euclidean norm of a vector  $x$ . I can square both sides and write it also norm of  $x$  whole square is simply summation  $i$  is 1 to  $n$ ,  $w(x_i)$  magnitude of  $x_i$  square. Now in our application this vector  $x$  is nothing but the error vector, so this  $x$  is replaced by the error vector and therefore we are minimizing this particular quantity, if we are minimizing this norm we are minimizing this square of it, both are the same. Therefore we shall be minimizing this, therefore our  $x$  in this application is our error vector  $E$  that we have here.

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$$\text{We minimise } \sum_{k=0}^n w(x_k) E(x_k)^2$$

Since data is  $(x_k, f_k), k=0, 1, \dots, n$

$$I(c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n) = \sum_{k=0}^n w(x_k) E(x_k)^2$$

$$= \sum w(x_k) [f(x_k) - \{c_0 \phi_0(x_k) + \dots + c_n \phi_n(x_k)\}]^2$$

= minimum  
for a minimum.

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_i} = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Therefore by the definition of this, that the least square approximation definition, we can immediately say that we minimize, therefore we minimize this summation, let us write  $k$  is equal to 0 to  $n$ ,  $w(x_k) E(x_k)$  square. Now since our data is, since data is, let us write it as  $(x_k, f_k)$ ,  $k$  is equal to 0, 1, 2, 3,  $n$ , that is why summation is running from 0 to  $n$  here, since our data is running from  $k$  is equal to 0 to  $n$  and we have taken the data is  $(x_k, f_k)$ . Now let us denote this by some  $I$ , let us just write this as  $I$ ,  $I$  is equal to a function of the constants  $(c_0, c_1, c_2, c_n)$  because  $E$  contains your error and this is your,  $k$  is equal to 0 to  $n$   $w(x_k) E(x_k)$  square.

Now let us write down what is  $E(x_k)$ , so  $I$  can write this as summation of  $w(x_k)$ , now we shall remember that  $k$  is 0 to  $n$ , so let us drop that notation, just write down summation here. This is error of  $x_k$  that is  $f$  at  $x_k$  minus  $c_0 \phi_0$  of  $x_k$  plus so on  $c_n \phi_n$  of  $x_k$ , all of them evaluated at  $x_k$  and this square, this should be minimum; this should be minimum. Therefore it is a simple minimization problem of calculus, so we require that the partial derivative of  $I$  with respect to the constants  $(c_0, c_1, c_2, c_n)$  should be equal to 0 in order that it has a minimum or maximum. So we shall show that it is a minimum that is required later on, so therefore for a minimum we need  $\Delta I$  by  $\Delta c_i$  is equal to 0, for all  $i$ ,  $i$  is equal to 0, 1, 2, so on  $n$ . Therefore we will have  $n$  plus 1 equations for determinant  $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_n$ . Let us know differentiate this with respect to  $i$ .

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$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_i} = \sum_k 2 w(x_k) [f(x_k) - \{c_0 \phi_0(x_k) + \dots + c_n \phi_n(x_k)\}] \phi_i(x_k) = 0$$

$$c_0 \sum_k \phi_0(x_k) \phi_i(x_k) w(x_k) + c_1 \sum_k \phi_1(x_k) \phi_i(x_k) w(x_k) + \dots + c_n \sum_k \phi_n(x_k) \phi_i(x_k) w(x_k)$$

$$= \sum_k w(x_k) f(x_k) \phi_i(x_k) ;$$

$i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

$n+1$  equations in  $n+1$  unknowns  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n$ . Normal equations

So I can differentiate this with respect to  $i$ ,  $\Delta I$  by  $\Delta c_i$  that will be equal to summation of, we have a 2 here, so I will write  $2 w(x_k)$ , this is  $[f(x_k) - \{c_0 \phi_0(x_k) + \dots + c_n \phi_n(x_k)\}]$  and multiplied this by, this is, now I would differentiate it with respect to  $c_i$ , therefore I will get  $\phi_i(x_k)$  as a multiplicative factor with a negative sign, let's put it in a bracket,  $\phi_i$  of  $x_k$  and this should be equal to 0,  $\Delta I$  by  $\Delta c_i$  must be equal to 0. Now let us simplify this equation, we cancel this and then take this term to the right hand side, so I will retain this on the left hand side. Therefore this will give us  $c_0$  summation  $\phi_0$  into  $\phi_i$ , this is  $\phi_0(x_k) \phi_i(x_k)$  and of course  $w(x_k)$  is also there. So the first term will be  $c_0 \phi_0 \phi_i(x_k)$  both of them evaluated  $x_k$ , multiplied by  $x_k$ , then plus  $c_1 \phi_1$ , that is next term is  $\phi_1$  of  $x_k$  multiply by  $\phi_i$  of  $x_k$  then we multiply by  $w(x_k)$  plus so on, the last term will be  $c_n \phi_n$  this is  $\phi_n$  of  $x_k$ , this is  $\phi_i$  of  $x_k$  into  $w(x_k)$ .

This is the left hand side that we have retained and this term  $f(x_k)$  goes to the right hand side, so I can write this as summation of  $w(x_k) f(x_k) \phi_i(x_k)$  and  $i$  running from 0, 1, 2, 3,  $n$ . Now these are  $n+1$  equations in  $n+1$  unknowns, these are  $n+1$  equations in  $n+1$  unknowns  $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_n$ , so these are  $n+1$  equations in  $n+1$  unknowns and these are called the normal equations, we call them as normal equations. Therefore in any particular problem when once our  $\phi_i$  are given to us, weight function is given to us, we just evaluate these sums over here and the substitute it here, solve the  $n+1$  equations in  $n+1$  unknowns and then substitute back in  $P(x)$  for the values of  $c_0, c_1, c_n$  and that gives us the least square approximation and we can also find out the least square error. We can write down the expression, we can substitute the values of  $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_n$  over here, just simplify the whole thing, square this one, multiply by  $x_k$  sum over this and that gives you the least square error, the total least square error.

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Substitute the values of  $c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n$  in  
 ① to find the least square error.  
Particular case  $\phi_i = x^i, i=0, 1, \dots, n$   
 $\phi_0 = 1, \phi_1 = x, \phi_2 = x^2, \dots, \phi_n = x^n$   
 $w(x) = 1$   $c_0 \sum 1 = c_0(n+1)$   
 $c_0(n+1) + c_1 \sum x_k + c_2 \sum x_k^2 + \dots$   
 $+ c_n \sum x_k^n = \sum f(x_k)$   
 $c_0 \sum x_k + c_1 \sum x_k^2 + \dots + c_n \sum x_k^{n+1} = \sum x_k f(x_k)$

Therefore if I put this as 1 then I can say that the substitute, substitute the values of  $c_0, c_1, c_n$  in 1 to find the least square error, find the least square error that is the total error that we have committed under the least square approximation, we would get by substituting the values of  $c_0, c_1, c_2, c_n$  in this particular equation. Now let us take some simple case, let us take the particular case of when which we would like to normally use as a polynomial approximation. Now let us take the case when  $\phi_i$  is simply equal to  $x_i$  that means the functions that we are talking  $\phi_0$  is 1,  $\phi_1$  is  $x$ ,  $\phi_2$  is  $x$  square so on  $\phi_n$  is equal to  $x$  to the power of  $n$ .

Now let us substitute this in the equations that we have just now obtained here and we have here  $\phi_0$  is 1 then we have got here  $\phi_i(x_k)$  into  $w(x_k)$  then you have  $c_1$ , this is  $\phi_1$  is equal to  $x$ , so we are going substitute  $\phi_0$  is 1,  $\phi_1$  is equal to  $x$ ,  $\phi_i$  is equal to  $x$  to the power of  $i$ . So if I just substitute it over here what I would get here is, now let us see the first term that comes out over here and also we can still particularize it, let us take  $w(x)$  also as 1,  $w(x)$  also as 1. Then we can see that the first coefficient will be  $w(x)$  is 1, this is your 1 and you are now multiplying by the first equation for  $i$  is equal to 0, for  $i$  is equal to 0 this is  $\phi_0$  square, then we have  $\phi_0$  square is 1 square, therefore what we have here is the first term will look like  $c_0$  summation of 1,  $c_0$  this is  $\phi_0$  square into 1, this is your  $c_0$  of 1 that is total summation is the total values  $i$  is equal to 0 1 up to  $n$ . Therefore this will be simply equal to  $c_0$  into  $n$  plus 1, this is total observations that we have here. Therefore the first term here would be  $c_0$  into  $n$  plus 1, then we are taking the case  $i$  is equal to 0, therefore this is 1, this is  $x$  and this is  $c_1$ , therefore this is summation of  $x_k$ , therefore plus  $c_1$  summation of  $x_k$ .

Now if I take the next term, this will be  $c_2$ ,  $\phi_2$  is multiplying by  $\phi_0$  and  $\phi_2$  is multiplying by  $\phi_0$  that is  $x$  square that is  $x_k$  square, therefore the next term will be plus  $c_2$  summation of  $x_k$



squared plus  $c_n$  summation  $x_k$  to the power of  $n$  and the right hand side is, for  $i$  is equal to 0 this is 1,  $f(x_k)$  this is 1, so simply summation of  $f(x_k)$ , so the right hand side is simply summation of  $f(x_k)$ . This is your first equation, the second equation I will take  $i$  is equal to 1, when I take  $i$  is equal to 1 in this then I am multiplying  $\phi_0$  by  $\phi_1$  therefore I am multiplying 1 by  $x$ , this is 1 and the next term will be  $\phi_1$  into  $\phi_1$  that is  $\phi_1$  square that is your  $x$  square and so on. Therefore the next term will be  $c_0$  summation  $x_k$  plus  $c_1$  summation  $x_k$  square plus so on  $c_n$  summation  $x_k$  to the power of  $n$  plus 1. On the right hand side we have got here  $\phi_i$  that is  $\phi_1$  that is  $x$ , therefore I will be multiplying by  $x_k$  on the right hand side, this is your  $x_k$   $f$  of  $x_k$ . You can now see that each of them because this is a polynomial, these will be, just last term of this will be coming here and then this will come here and then next term will be, if you are taking the next equation, you will have here  $c_0 \phi_0$  into  $\phi_2$  that is your  $x$  square into 1.

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$$c_0 \sum x_k^2 + c_1 \sum x_k^3 + \dots + c_n \sum x_k^{n+2} = \sum x_k^2 f(x_k)$$

$$\dots$$

$$c_0 \sum x_k^n + c_1 \sum x_k^{n+1} + \dots + c_n \sum x_k^{2n} = \sum x_k^n f(x_k)$$

$$P(x) = c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + \dots + c_n x^n.$$

Linear least square polynomial approx

$$P(x) = c_0 + c_1 x$$

Normal equations:

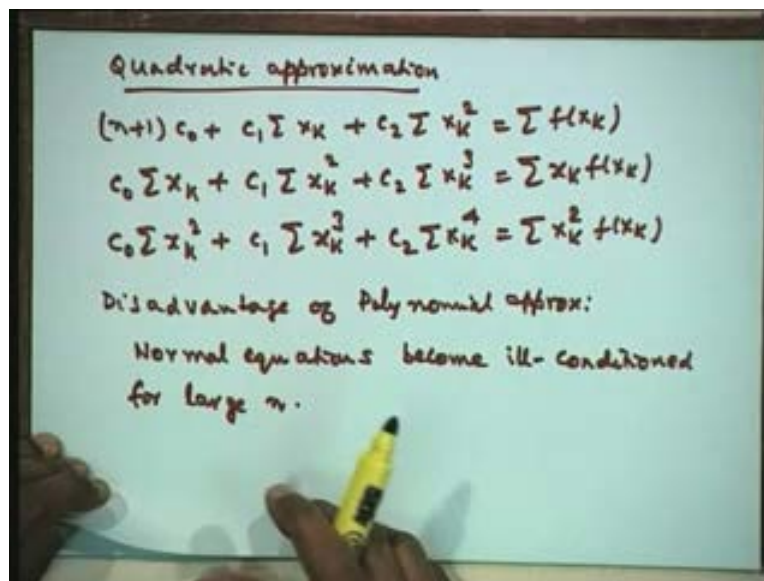
$$(n+1) c_0 + c_1 \sum x_k = \sum f(x_k)$$

$$c_0 \sum x_k + c_1 \sum x_k^2 = \sum x_k f(x_k)$$

So the the next equation would therefore read as  $c_0$  summation  $x_k$  square plus  $c_1$  summation  $x_k$  cubed plus so on  $c_n$  summation  $x_k^{n+2}$  that is summation  $x_k$  square  $f(x_k)$  and so on, the last equation reads  $c_0$  summation  $x_k$  to the power of  $n$ ,  $c_1$  summation  $x_k$  to the power of  $n$  plus 1 plus so on,  $c_n$  summation  $x_k$  to the power of  $2n$  that is  $n$  plus  $n$  that is  $2n$  and this is  $x_k$  to the power of  $n$   $f$  of  $x_k$ . These are the normal equations when you take it as a polynomial, what we have taken here is,  $P(x)$  we have taken it as a polynomial  $c_0$  plus  $c_1 x$  plus  $c_2 x$  squared plus so on  $c_n x$  to the power of  $n$ , so this is the polynomial approximation that we have taken here. Let us see how trivial it will look like to the particular cases, let us take the linear case; from here let us just write down the linear least square polynomial approximation that means I am just taking my polynomial as simply  $c_0$  plus  $c_1 x$ . Therefore in this system that I had written it, I will just cut out the terms up to only 2 coefficients  $c_0$  and  $c_1$ .

Therefore the normal equations in this case would become, the normal equations are  $(n+1)c_0$  plus  $c_1$  summation of  $x_k$  is summation of  $f(x_k)$ ,  $c_0$  summation of  $x_k$  plus  $c_1$  summation  $x_k$  square is summation  $x_k f(x_k)$ . Now in any given data we just have to find what is the summation of  $x_k$ , summation of  $x_k$  square, summation of  $f(x_k)$  and summation of this  $x_k f(x_k)$ , solve the 2 by 2 equations and we have the solution for  $c_0$  and  $c_1$  and that will give you the least square approximation and if I want the least square error, I would substitute in the expression that we had written it the in equation 1 and we can find out what is the total least square error under this linear approximation. Now if I want a quadratic approximation that is 2, I will have 1 more term over here  $c_2$  summation  $x_k$  square, we will have  $c_2$  summation  $x_k$  cubed and you will have one more equation, okay let us write down the quadratic also.

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Quadratic approximation

$$(n+1)c_0 + c_1 \sum x_k + c_2 \sum x_k^2 = \sum f(x_k)$$

$$c_0 \sum x_k + c_1 \sum x_k^2 + c_2 \sum x_k^3 = \sum x_k f(x_k)$$

$$c_0 \sum x_k^2 + c_1 \sum x_k^3 + c_2 \sum x_k^4 = \sum x_k^2 f(x_k)$$

Disadvantage of Polynomial approx:

Normal equations become ill-conditioned for large  $n$ .

So let us write this as quadratic approximation, therefore this will give us  $(n+1)c_0$ ,  $c_1$  summation  $x_k$  plus  $c_2$  summation  $x_k$  square is summation  $f(x_k)$ , so that will be our first normal equation. Then I have  $c_0$  summation  $x_k$ ,  $c_1$  summation  $x_k$  square plus  $c_2$  summation  $x_k$  cubed is summation  $x_k f(x_k)$  and the third equation is  $c_0$  summation  $x_k$  square plus  $c_1$  summation  $x_k$  cubed plus  $c_2$  summation  $x_k^4$  that is equal to summation  $x_k$  square  $f(x_k)$ . These will be the normal equations in the case of the quadratic approximation. Now we can normally go up to cubic or of fourth degree approximation or any approximation, however the one disadvantage of the polynomial approximation, we are talking of the polynomial approximation is that when you take the system of equations for very large  $n$ , system of equations become ill conditioned that means the solution is prone to the effect of the round off errors that even if you have a minor round off errors in any of these numbers, the cumulative effect of that will be destroying the solution.



So the disadvantage of high degree polynomial approximation is that the system of equations is ill conditioned. Therefore we do not normally use beyond a degree or 3 or 4 in the least square approximation, so that is the disadvantage of the least square polynomial approximation, of polynomial approximation that the normal equations become ill conditioned for large  $n$ . What really computationally as I said it would mean is, that the round off errors that is there in your  $f(x_k)$   $x_k$  and then these summation that we are doing, the round off errors can really spoil the solution of the particular problem that means if you round off to 4 places, you may get a different answer, round off to 5 decimal places you will get a different answer. So that is the effect of the round order is seriously felt in the solution of the problem, that is what we really mean by ill conditionedness in terms of the computational aspect. Now let us first taken example on this.

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Example Find a least squares Straight  
line fit for the data

$x$	-0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5
$f(x)$	0.75	3	4.75	7	9.75

Find the least squares error.

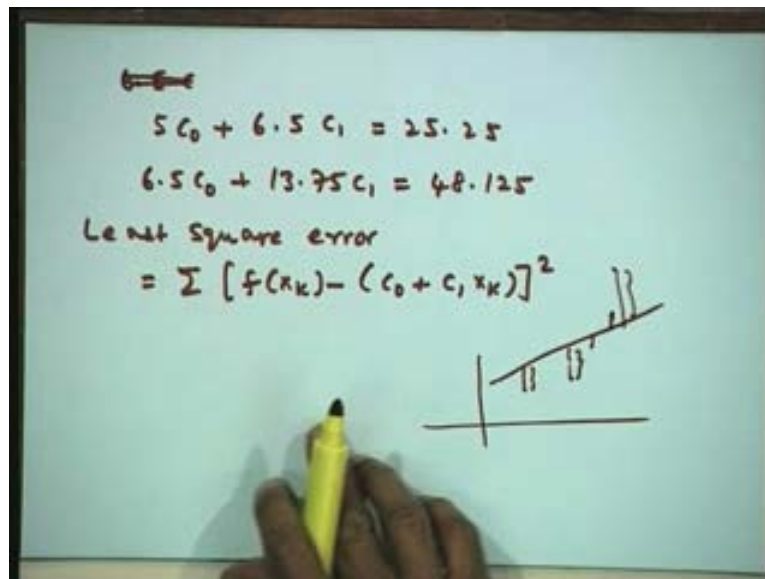
$$P_1(x) = C_0 + C_1 x$$

$$\sum x_k = 7.5, \quad \sum x_k^2 = 13.75,$$

$$\sum f(x_k) = 25.25, \quad \sum x_k f(x_k) = 48.125$$

Now find a least square, let us take a straight line approximation, straight line fit for the data  $x$ ,  $f(x)$  1, 3, 1 point 5, 4 point 7 5, 2, 7, 2 point 5, 9 point 75, let us also say find the least squares error, find the least square error. Now here we have asked for a straight line, a straight line fit therefore what we are talking of is approximation by using the polynomial  $c_0$  plus  $c_1 x$ . Now the problem is very simple, we just have to find these quantities; these 4 quantities, substitute it and solve it here. So I need here the quantity summation of  $x_k$  that is the sum of all these  $x$ 's, I would give this valued that is equal to 7 point 5. Then I square all these numbers and then take the summation, so I will have your summation of  $x_k$  square that is we are squaring this abscissa and then summing up and this comes out to be 13 point 7 5. Then I need summation of  $f_k$  that is sum of these numbers, so I will have summation of  $f(x_k)$  and this comes out to be 25 point 2 5 and lastly we need the sum of this products  $x_k f_k$  that is this into this, 1 into 3 and so on and then sum up that is your  $x_k f$  of  $x_k$  and this is 48 point 1 2 5. Summation  $f(x_k)$  is the, we are the writing the product of these two, summation  $x_k$  is equal to 7 point 5, 6 okay, yes 6 point 5.

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$$5c_0 + 6.5c_1 = 25.25$$

$$6.5c_0 + 13.75c_1 = 48.125$$

Least square error

$$= \sum [f(x_k) - (c_0 + c_1 x_k)]^2$$

A graph is drawn on the right side of the whiteboard, showing a set of data points and a straight line of best fit. The line is slightly curved upwards, and the data points are scattered around it. A hand holding a yellow marker is visible at the bottom of the whiteboard.

Using these values of the summations, we shall write down the normal equations. The data points are 5 points, so you have 5 times  $c_0$  plus 6 point 5  $c_1$  and that is equal to summation of  $x_k$  25 point 2 5. This is 6 point 5  $c_0$  plus summation  $x_k$  square is 13 point 7 5  $c_1$  and that is equal to 48 point 1 2 5. Now you can solve this for  $c_0$  and  $c_1$  and then you substitute in the, we want to find out what is the least square error. The least square error definition was summation of, here  $w(x)$  is equal to 1, therefore it is simply  $f$  of  $x_k$  minus  $c_0$  plus  $c_1 x_k$  whole square, this is  $f(x)$  minus  $P_1(x)$ , so  $[f(x_k) \text{ minus } (c_0 \text{ plus } c_1 x_k)]$  whole square. Now we have got the values of  $c_0$  and  $c_1$  over here, now we have got the data points  $x_k f_k$ , we can substitute in this entire and then find out the total error in the least square this one.

Now we would like to repeat that this is not fitting the data, whatever we have got here, the approximation is not fitting this data at all, it is not an interpolating polynomial, it is only an approximation to this function that is representing this data, therefore there is least square error. If it was an interpolation, this is exactly fitting this; therefore there is no error in fitting this particular data but this is an approximation, therefore even if you just write down, say a quadratic polynomial, artificially take quadratic polynomial, write down the values and write down to fit a straight line from there, you would still get the least square error here because what really would mean is, if I take the a graph of this and let us say we have taken points like this, point like this, point like this, then what we are fitting is some straight line like this for this such that the total squares of these errors. These are the errors, this is the straight line that we have now approximated for the function, now the error is this particular part here with respect to this point, this is the error, this is the error; this is the error.

Now this least square error is sum of squares of all these errors is this, so we are not fitting this function exactly for this data, it is a approximation to the function which must be representing that particular data, so that is why we have this least square errors in the problem and this is the best approximation because we have minimized sum of the squares of the errors, therefore we have got that best value of  $c_0 c_1$  which minimizes this least square error. If you take any other straight line, for example here we would get error which is larger than this particular error because this is minimized. Let us now discuss how we can apply the least square approximation as we have defined earlier when a continuous function is given.

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Continuous function  $f(x)$

$$I(c_0, c_1, \dots, c_n) = \int_a^b w(x) [f(x) - (c_0 \phi_0 + \dots + c_n \phi_n)]^2 dx$$

$a = x_0, b = x_n, \quad \phi_i = \phi_i(x).$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_i} = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$- \int_a^b 2 w(x) [f(x) - (c_0 \phi_0 + \dots + c_n \phi_n)] \phi_i dx = 0$$

$$c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_i w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_i w(x) dx$$

$$+ \dots + c_n \int_a^b \phi_n \phi_i w(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) \phi_i w(x) dx$$

Let us take continuous function as  $f(x)$ , therefore I will again write our  $I$  of  $(c_0, c_1, c_n)$ , now if you just look at this what we have done in the previous case, this is we have minimized at this particular expression, this is nothing but the summation, if you change the summation to the integral for continuous functions, this will be simply in an integral form. So we will convert this into an integral form and write this as, that is integral given interval  $a$  to  $b$  that is your first point,  $a_0$  is your first point,  $a_0$  is your first point and  $b$  is your last point  $x_n$ . So an interval  $[a, b]$  is given here, so which corresponds to that one, this is equal to  $w(x)$  weight function and multiplied  $[f(x)$  minus  $(c_0 \phi_0 + c_n \phi_n)]$  whole squared  $dx$ . Where I have written  $\phi_i$  is equal to function of  $x$ , this is the  $\phi_i$ , is the function of  $x$  because it is a continuous function.

Now again for a minimum the necessary condition is that the partial derivative of  $I$  with respect to  $c_i$  must be equal to 0, for  $i$  is equal to 1, 2, for 0, 1, 2,  $n$ . Now let us differentiate this with respect to  $c_i$  partially, so I would get integral  $a$  to  $b$  2 times  $w(x)$   $[f(x)$  minus  $(c_0 \phi_0$  plus so on  $c_n \phi_n)$ ] and derivative of this is  $\phi_i dx$  with a negative sign, let us put this minus sign that

is here outside, this is equal to 0, this is equal to 0. Now again we will retain the integrals with respect to  $c_0 c_1$  on the left hand side and we take this to the right hand side.

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Handwritten mathematical derivation on a whiteboard:

$$a = x_0, \quad b = x_n, \quad \phi_i = \phi_i(x).$$

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial c_i} = 0, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$-\int_a^b 2 w(x) [f(x) - (c_0 \phi_0 + \dots + c_n \phi_n)] \phi_i dx = 0$$

$$c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_i w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_i w(x) dx$$

$$+ \dots + c_n \int_a^b \phi_n \phi_i w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_i dx$$

Therefore I can write this as  $c_0$  integral  $a$  to  $b$  cancel of 2 also, so I would here have  $\phi_0 \phi_i w(x) dx$  that is the first term, this is  $\phi_0$  into  $\phi_i$  into  $w(x)$  plus  $c_1$  integral  $a$  to  $b$  next one is  $\phi_1$ , this is  $\phi_1$  and this  $w(x) dx$  plus so on, the last term will be  $c_n$ ,  $c_n$   $a$  to  $b$ , this last one is  $\phi_n$  so  $\phi_n$  into  $\phi_i w(x)$ , on the right hand side we have  $w(x) f(x) \phi_i$  so this integral goes to the right hand side, this is your  $w(x) f(x) \phi_i dx$ . Now I would like to write down all these values for  $\phi_i$  is equal to 0, 1, 2 because we would like to make some observations on that.

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The whiteboard contains three equations for different values of  $i$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 i=0: & c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0^2 w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx \\
 & + \dots + c_n \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_n w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_0 dx \\
 i=1: & c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1^2 w(x) dx + \dots \\
 & + c_n \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_1 dx \\
 i=n: & c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_n w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n w(x) dx + \dots \\
 & + c_n \int_a^b \phi_n^2 w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_n dx
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us take the case  $i$  is equal to 0, then this gives us  $c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0^2 w(x) dx$ ,  $i$  is equal to 0 therefore we have  $\phi_0^2 w(x) dx$ ,  $c_1 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx$ , this is  $i=0$  this is  $\phi_0 \phi_1$ , so I will have  $\phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx$  plus so on  $c_n \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_n w(x) dx$ , on the right hand side we have  $\int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_0 dx$ . I would like to write 1 more equation, therefore this will be  $c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx$ , now this is  $i$  is equal to 1, therefore I will now get  $\phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx$ ,  $c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1^2 w(x) dx$ , now this is 1 therefore this is  $\phi_1^2 w(x) dx$  plus so on  $c_n \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n w(x) dx$ , now this is last term is, now this is  $\phi_1 \phi_n w(x) dx$  and the right hand side is  $\int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_1 dx$ .

Now let us write down the last equation  $i$  is equal to  $n$ , I will therefore have  $\int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_n w(x) dx$  plus  $c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n w(x) dx$  plus  $c_n \int_a^b \phi_n^2 w(x) dx$  is  $\int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_n dx$ . Now these give us the required  $n$  plus 1 equations in  $n$  plus 1 (Refer Slide Time: 38:58), I have to evaluate these integrals all these integrals, they are functions of  $x$ , I can integrate all of them and one once I integrate it, I substitute it over here and then find out what is my  $c_0$  plus  $c_1 x$ .

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$$\begin{aligned} \underline{i=1}: c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_1 W(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1^2 W(x) dx + \dots \\ + c_n \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n W(x) dx = \int_a^b W(x) f(x) \phi_1 dx \\ \dots \\ \underline{i=n}: c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_n W(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n W(x) dx + \dots \\ + c_n \int_a^b \phi_n^2 W(x) dx = \int_a^b W(x) f(x) \phi_n dx \\ n+1 \text{ equations in } n+1 \text{ unknowns.} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore these give us  $n+1$  equations in  $n+1$  unknowns. Now let us again take a particular case here, there will be 2 particular cases I would like to discuss here,

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$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{Case 1}} \quad \phi_i = x^i, \quad i=0, 1, \dots, n \\ \phi_0 = 1, \quad \phi_1 = x, \quad \dots, \quad \phi_n = x^n. \\ \underline{\text{Linear polynomial approx}} \\ p_1(x) = c_0 + c_1 x, \quad \phi_0 = 1, \quad \phi_1 = x \\ c_0 \int_a^b W(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b W(x) x dx \\ = \int_a^b W(x) f(x) dx \\ c_0 \int_a^b W(x) x dx + c_1 \int_a^b W(x) x^2 dx \\ = \int_a^b W(x) x f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

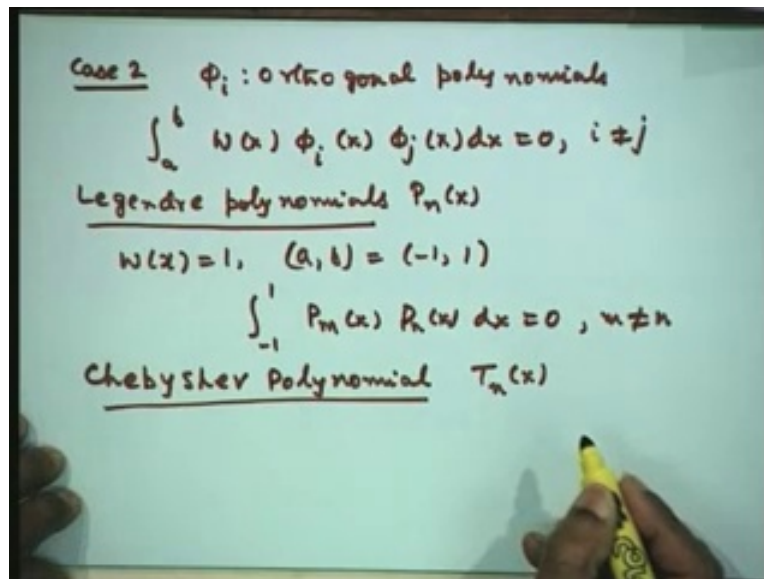


let us take the case 1 as simply  $\phi_i$  is equal to  $x_i$ , let us take again  $\phi_i$  is equal to  $x_i$ ,  $i$  is equal to 0, 1 so on  $n$ . So we are taking  $\phi_0$  again as 1,  $\phi_1$  is equal to  $x$  and so on  $\phi_n$  is equal to  $x$  to the power of  $n$ . Now let us get the approximation, linear polynomial approximation, therefore we are considering the case  $P_1(x)$  is equal to  $c_0$  plus  $c_1x$  therefore our  $\phi_0$  is 1 and  $\phi_1$  is equal to  $x$ . Now I just have to substitute these values over here,  $\phi_0$  is 1,  $\phi_1$  is equal to  $x$  and then retain only two terms, there are only two unknowns  $c_0$  and  $c_1$  and then I can write down the equations.

Therefore the first equation will read as  $c_0 \int_a^b w(x) \phi_0^2 dx$  that is simply 1, therefore it is  $w(x)$  plus  $c_1 \int_a^b w(x) \phi_0 \phi_1 dx$  therefore I will have product as  $x$ , therefore I will have here  $x$  into  $dx$  and the right hand side is  $\int_a^b w(x) f(x) dx$  again your  $\phi_0$  is 1 here, so I simply have  $w(x) f(x)$  here, so I will have here  $w(x) f(x)$ . And the second equation is  $c_0 \int_a^b w(x) x dx$  plus  $c_1 \int_a^b w(x) x^2 dx$ , now this is  $x$  square  $\phi_1$  square  $dx$ ,  $\phi_1$  square is  $x$  square and the right hand side is  $\int_a^b w(x) x f(x) dx$ . So I just again have to evaluate these integrals then solve for  $c_0$   $c_1$  and then we have the required linear least, linear polynomial approximation, I can again find out the total least square error also using this one.

Similarly I can write down the quadratic polynomial from here by just taking one more term in this, but the reason why we made it into case 1 and case 2 is, we mentioned earlier that these functions  $\phi_0$   $\phi_1$  is our choice, if our choice makes the things better than we would prefer that. In the previous case we have seen, we have taken the linear approximation or quadratic then high degree then we said the system of equations is become ill conditioned for larger. However if we choose these function  $\phi$  zeroes as orthogonal polynomials, orthogonal with respect to the weight function  $w(x)$  then there is no ill conditioness that comes there because the solution comes directly. Let us see what would happen in this case.

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Case 2  $\phi_i$  : orthogonal polynomials

$$\int_a^b w(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx = 0, \quad i \neq j$$

Legendre polynomials  $P_n(x)$

$$w(x) = 1, \quad (a, b) = (-1, 1)$$
$$\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x) P_n(x) dx = 0, \quad m \neq n$$

Chebyshev Polynomial  $T_n(x)$

Let us write down this, let  $\phi_i(x)$  be orthogonal polynomials, let us take them as orthogonal polynomials. Now what is the definition of orthogonal polynomial? The definition of this is integral  $a$  to  $b$ , it has a weight function  $w(x)$   $\phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx$  is equal to 0, for  $i$  not equal to  $j$ . These functions are orthogonal with respect to a weight function over the interval  $a$  to  $b$  that is for  $i$  not equal to  $j$  the integral is 0, for  $i$  is equal to  $j$  it has some value, that value depends on what that particular polynomial is but we are interested mainly in this particular property. For example, if you are choosing the Legendre polynomials here, if you are taking the Legendre polynomials  $P_n(x)$   $p_0, p_1, p_2$  that Legendre polynomials  $P_n(x)$ , then in that case the weight function for this is 1, weight function is 1, the interval  $(a, b)$  is minus 1 to 1 that means what we are saying is integral minus 1 to 1  $P_m(x) P_n(x) dx$  is equal to 0, for  $m$  not equal to  $n$ , this is the property of the Legendre polynomials. I can choose other polynomials, the other polynomial that is very useful is the Chebyshev polynomial, is called the Chebyshev polynomial it is denoted by  $T_n(x)$ .

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$$\int_a^b w(x) \phi_i(x) \phi_j(x) dx = 0, \quad i \neq j$$

Legendre polynomials  $P_n(x)$

$$w(x) = 1, \quad (a, b) = (-1, 1)$$
$$\int_{-1}^1 P_m(x) P_n(x) dx = 0, \quad m \neq n$$

Chebyshev Polynomial  $T_n(x)$

$$w(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \quad (a, b) = (-1, 1)$$
$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{T_m(x) T_n(x)}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = 0, \quad m \neq n$$

In this case the weight function for Chebyshev polynomial is 1 upon under root 1 minus x square, the interval (a, b) is equal to minus 1 to 1. Now we are going to define the Legendre and Chebyshev polynomials in the next lecture because this we are going to use it later on in numerical integration also, we are going to use them, these are very important polynomials. It has Chebyshev polynomials have very very important property that the, if you take the magnitude of this over the interval and approximate it by any of the function, the error on this will be minimum compared to any polynomial over that particular interval but that we will discuss it little later. Now what this really means is, if I take integral minus 1 to 1  $T_m(x) T_n(x)$  by under root of 1 minus x square, there is your  $w(x) T_m(x) T_n(x) dx$  is equal to 0, for m not equal to n. Now we shall show that if I choose these coordinate functions  $\phi_i$  as the orthogonal polynomials then everything gets immediately simplified, let us see why it is so.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 i=0: & c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0^2 w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx \\
 & + \dots + c_n \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_n w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_0 dx \\
 \underline{i=1}: & c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_1 w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1^2 w(x) dx + \dots \\
 & + c_n \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_1 dx \\
 \dots \\
 \underline{i=n}: & c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0 \phi_n w(x) dx + c_1 \int_a^b \phi_1 \phi_n w(x) dx + \dots \\
 & + c_n \int_a^b \phi_n^2 w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_n dx
 \end{aligned}$$

$n+1$  equations in  $n+1$

Let us just go back the previous equations which we have written the entire set, now let us put your orthogonal polynomial here. The orthogonal polynomial here if I put it here, this is  $\phi_0$  square  $w(x)$ , this is  $\phi_i \phi_j$   $i$  is equal to  $j$  is equal to 0, therefore this is a non-zero quantity.  $\phi_0 \phi_1$  by definition it is 0, all of them are 0, the right hand side is there. Therefore the first equation simply gives  $c_0$  a to  $b$   $\phi_0 \times w(x) dx$  is equal to this and hence I found out  $c_0$ .

Go to the next equation, by definition again  $\phi_0 \phi_1 w(x)$  is 0, integral is 0, this integral exist, this integral vanishes, therefore except if you look at this as your matrix, except your diagonal elements, this is  $c_0, c_1, c_2$  diagonal elements, all the half diagonal elements are going to be 0 because of the orthogonal property. Therefore I can immediately determine my  $c_i$ 's without any solving a system of equations, the trouble arose in the previous case we are now solving a system of equations there which turned out to be ill conditioned system, here there is no question of solving the system of equations.

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The image shows a whiteboard with handwritten mathematical equations. The first equation is  $c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0^2 w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_0 dx$ . Below it, after an ellipsis, is the general formula  $c_i = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_i dx}{\int_a^b \phi_i^2 w(x) dx}$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . At the bottom, a note states: "Ill-conditionness does not arise if we choose  $\phi_i$  as orthogonal polynomials."

$$c_0 \int_a^b \phi_0^2 w(x) dx = \int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_0 dx$$

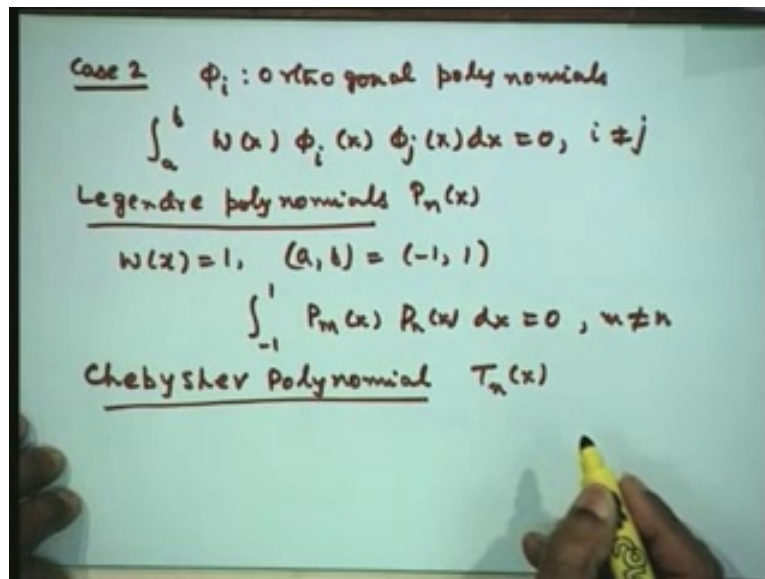
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$$c_i = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) f(x) \phi_i dx}{\int_a^b \phi_i^2 w(x) dx} \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Ill-conditionness does not arise if we choose  $\phi_i$  as orthogonal polynomials.

What I would therefore have here is, I will have here  $c_0$  integral  $a$  to  $b$   $\phi_0$  square  $w(x) dx$  is equal to the right hand side  $a$  to  $b$   $w(x) f(x) \phi_0 dx$  and so on. I will therefore have  $c_i$ , we can write down the denominator as integral  $a$  to  $b$   $\phi_i$  square  $w(x) dx$ , so I am taking this coefficient and putting it in the denominator and in the numerator you have  $a$  to  $b$   $w(x) f(x) \phi_i dx$  for  $i$  is equal to  $0, 1$  so on  $n$ . Therefore here it is just simply evaluating the integrals and then the ratio of these integrals would immediately give you the value of  $c_i$  and hence there is no ill conditionness, ill conditionness does not arise here, does not arise if we choose  $\phi_i$  as orthogonal polynomials. Now we could of course as well have chosen in the previous case also, the discrete data case also  $\phi(x)$  is orthogonal polynomial, the answer is yes.

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In that case instead of integral  $a$  to  $b$  or this one, you will have summation, summation over  $k$   $w(x_k) \phi_i(x_k) \phi_j(x_k) dx$  is equal to 0, so I could as well have used this orthogonal polynomials in the discrete data set also where from, we will use as I said we will replace this integral by summation and therefore we can find out  $c_i$  there also by just taking the ratio of 2 summations also. So the use of the orthogonal properties in the least square approximation is very useful and in particular if you have a continuous function it is, the values of these integrals, these are available for us when  $m$  is equal to  $n$ , we can straight away use those property of the orthogonal polynomials to get arrive at the approximations, so will take the example next time.