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HW # 4

Math 121 B

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**6.4**

show that functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  are orthogonal on  $(-a, a)$  if  $f(x)$  is even and  $g(x)$  is odd.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{inner product} &= \int_{-a}^a f(x) g(x) dx \\ &= \int_{-a}^a \text{even function} \times \text{odd function} dx \\ &= \int_{-a}^a \text{odd function} dx. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{but } \int_{-a}^a \text{odd function} dx = 0$$

$$\text{hence } \int_{-a}^a f(x) g(x) dx = 0$$

hence  $f(x), g(x)$  are orthogonal to each other over  $(-a, a)$ .

**6.5** evaluate  $\int_{-1}^1 P_0(x) P_2(x) dx$  to show they are orthogonal.

$$P_0(x) = 1$$

$$P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \int_{-1}^1 1 \cdot \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1) dx &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( \frac{3x^3}{3} \right)_{-1}^1 - (x)_{-1}^1 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (1^3 - (-1)^3) - (1 - (-1)) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (1 - (-1)) - (1 + 1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2 - 2 \right] = 0$$

hence  $P_0(x), P_2(x)$  are orthogonal over  $(-1, 1)$



and all these integrals are of the form

$$\text{some constant} \int_{-1}^1 x^m P_l(x) dx$$

where  $m < l$ . (actually largest  $m$  value is  $l-1$ )

hence we get

$$0 + 0 + 0 + \dots = 0$$

i.e.  $\int_{-1}^1 P'_l(x) P_l(x) dx = 0$

hence  $P'_l$  and  $P_l$  are orthogonal on  $(-1, 1)$ .

(Ps. please see problem 7.3 solution next for the same argument (written more clearly than here) which shows that  $\int_{-1}^1 P_m P_l = 0$  when  $m < l$

and this is the same as saying  $\int_{-1}^1 P'_l P_l dx = 0$  since order of  $P'$  is less than order of  $P_l$ .)

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use problem 4.4 to show that  $\int_{-1}^1 P_m P_l dx = 0$ .  
if  $m < l$ .

in 4.4, we showed that  $\int_{-1}^1 x^m P_l dx = 0$  if  $m < l$ .

write  $P_m(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x) + \dots + f_m(x)$ .

where each  $f(x)$  is of the form  $a x^u$ , where  $a$  is some constant, and  $u$  is an exponent which can be zero for  $f_1$  term. (if  $P_m$  is even, then  $f_1(x)$  is a constant, if  $P_m$  is odd then  $f_1(x) = ax$ ).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so now we write } \int_{-1}^1 P_m P_l dx &= \int_{-1}^1 (f_1 + f_2 + f_3 + \dots + f_m) P_l dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 f_1(x) P_l(x) dx + \int_{-1}^1 f_2(x) P_l(x) dx + \dots + \int_{-1}^1 f_m(x) P_l(x) dx. \\ &= a_1 \int_{-1}^1 x^{n_1} P_l(x) dx + a_2 \int_{-1}^1 x^{n_2} P_l(x) dx + \dots + a_m \int_{-1}^1 x^{n_m} P_l(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

where we have each exponent  $n_i < l$  as given.

hence by applying 4.4, we set 0 for each integral.  
if the first term of  $P_m(x)$  was a constant (i.e.  $P_m(x)$  was even), then we set  $\int_{-1}^1 P_l(x) dx$  for the first integral, which is also zero. (see proof of this last part in problem 7.5 next)

$$\text{hence } \int_{-1}^1 P_m P_l dx = 0 \text{ if } m < l.$$

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show that  $\int_{-1}^1 P_l(x) dx = 0$   $l > 0$

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This can be shown immediately by applying result of Problem 4.4 which said  $\int_{-1}^1 x^m P_l dx = 0$

when  $m < l$ .

let  $m=0$  here and the result follows.

another proof is to write  $\int_{-1}^1 P_l dx$  as

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_0 P_l dx, \text{ since } P_0 = 1.$$

now apply orthogonality principle for Legendre polynomials

which says that  $\int_{-1}^1 P_n P_m dx = 0$   $n \neq m$ ,

and since here  $n=0$  and  $m=l > 0$ , then  $m \neq n$ ,

$$\text{hence } \int_{-1}^1 P_l dx = 0.$$

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8.2 Find the norm of each following function on given interval and state the normalized function.

$P_2(x)$  on  $(-1, 1)$

$$N^2 = \int_{-1}^1 P_2^*(x) P_2(x) dx = \frac{2}{2(2)+1} = \frac{2}{5}$$

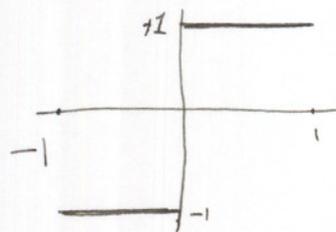
so Norm of  $P_2(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}$

hence the normalized  $P_2(x) = \frac{P_2(x)}{N} = \frac{P_2(x)}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{5}}}$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{5}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{2} (3x^2 - 1) \right) = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{10}}{4} (3x^2 - 1)}$$

**9.1** Expand following function in Legendre series.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -1 & -1 < x < 0 \\ 1 & 0 < x < 1 \end{cases}$$



use 3 terms.

$$f(x) = a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1 + a_2 P_2$$

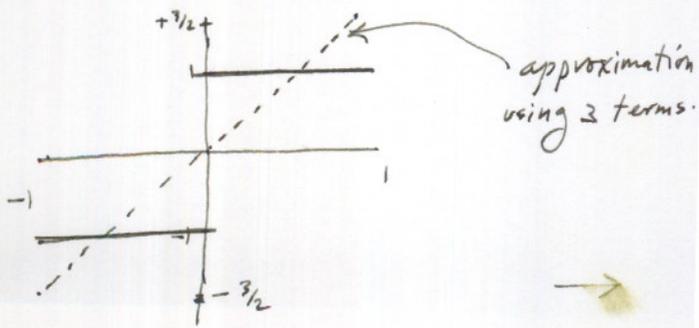
$$\text{where } a_i = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_i(x) dx}{\int_{-1}^1 P_i(x) P_i(x) dx} = \frac{\int_{-1}^0 (-1) P_i(x) dx + \int_0^1 (1) P_i(x) dx}{\frac{2}{2i+1}}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{-\int_{-1}^0 P_0 dx + \int_0^1 P_0 dx}{\frac{2}{1}} = \frac{-\int_{-1}^0 1 dx + \int_0^1 1 dx}{2} = \frac{-[x]_{-1}^0 + [x]_0^1}{2} = \frac{-[+1] + [1]}{2} = 0$$

$$a_1 = \frac{-\int_{-1}^0 P_1 dx + \int_0^1 P_1 dx}{\frac{2}{2+1}} = \frac{-\int_{-1}^0 x dx + \int_0^1 x dx}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{-[\frac{x^2}{2}]_{-1}^0 + [\frac{x^2}{2}]_0^1}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}[0-1] + \frac{1}{2}[1-0]}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{-\int_{-1}^0 \frac{1}{2}(3x^2-1) dx + \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2}(3x^2-1) dx}{\frac{2}{4+1}} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}[\frac{3x^3}{3}-x]_{-1}^0 + \frac{1}{2}[\frac{3x^3}{3}-x]_0^1}{\frac{2}{5}} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}[(0-0) - (-1^3 - (-1))] + \frac{1}{2}[(1-1) - (0-0)]}{\frac{2}{5}} = \frac{-\frac{1}{2}[0] + \frac{1}{2}[0]}{\frac{2}{5}} = 0$$

$$\text{So } f(x) \approx \frac{3}{2} P_1 = \frac{3}{2} x$$



let me try and see if we add one more term

$$a_3 = \frac{-\int_{-1}^0 P_3(x) dx + \int_0^1 P_3(x) dx}{\frac{2}{6+1}} = \frac{-\int_{-1}^0 \left(-\frac{3x}{2} + \frac{5x^3}{2}\right) dx + \int_0^1 \left(-\frac{3x}{2} + \frac{5x^3}{2}\right) dx}{2/7}$$

I just realized that I could do this faster by noting that

$$\int_{-1}^0 \text{even } P_\ell = \int_0^1 \text{even } P_\ell. \quad \text{so all even } a\text{'s} = 0$$

~~so I only need to integrate once over  $(-1, 0)$  or  $(0, 1)$ .~~

also  $\int_{-1}^0 \text{odd } P_\ell = -\int_0^1 \text{odd } P_\ell.$  so all  $a\text{'s}$  that are odd need integrate only from  $(-1, 0)$  and multiply by 2 to get result. (sorry for not seeing this earlier!)

$$a_3 = \frac{2 \int_{-1}^0 P_3(x) dx}{2/7} = \frac{2 \int_{-1}^0 \left(-\frac{3x}{2} + \frac{5x^3}{2}\right) dx}{2/7}$$

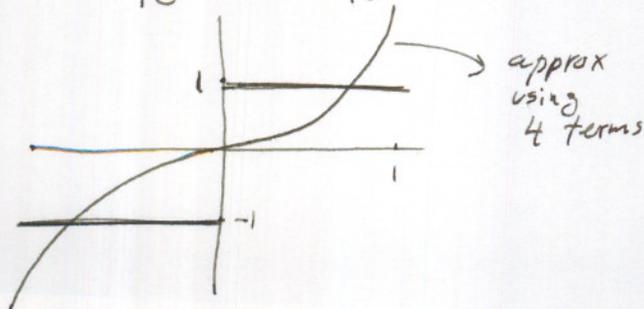
$$= \frac{2 \left[ \left(-\frac{3}{2} \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{5}{2} \frac{x^4}{4}\right)_{-1}^0 \right]}{2/7} = \frac{2 \left[ \left(-\frac{3}{4}(0) + \frac{5}{8}(0)\right) - \left(-\frac{3}{4}(-1)^2 + \frac{5}{8}(-1)^4\right) \right]}{2/7}$$

$$= 7 \left[ 0 - \left(-\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{8}\right) \right] = 7 \left[ \frac{3}{4} - \frac{5}{8} \right] = 7 \left[ \frac{1}{8} \right] = \frac{7}{8}$$

so  $f(x) \approx \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{7}{8} \left(-\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{5x^3}{2}\right)$

$$\approx \frac{3}{2}x - \frac{21}{16}x + \frac{35}{16}x^3 = \frac{3}{16}x + \frac{35}{16}x^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} (3x + 35x^3)$$



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Expand by Legendre series using 2 terms.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (\ln \frac{1}{x})^2 & (-1, 0) \\ & (0, 1) \end{cases}$$

$$\tilde{f}(x) = a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1$$

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_n(x) dx}{\frac{2}{2n+1}}$$

since  $f(x) = 0$  over  $(-1, 0)$ , integration is only needed from  $(0, 1)$ .

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_0^1 f(x) P_0(x) dx}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \ln^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \cdot 1 dx$$

$$\text{let } \ln \frac{1}{x} = u \rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow dx = -x du$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} e^u &= \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow x = e^{-u} \text{ so } dx = -e^{-u} du. \\ \text{when } x=0, u &= \infty. \text{ when } x=1, u=0 \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\text{when } x=0, u = \infty. \text{ when } x=1, u = 0$$

$$\text{so } a_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\infty}^0 u^2 (-e^{-u}) du = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\infty} u^2 e^{-u} du = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(3) = \frac{1}{2} 2! = 1$$

$$\text{To find } a_1 \quad a_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 f(x) P_1(x) dx}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^1 \ln^2\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) x dx$$

$$\text{let } x = e^{-u} \rightarrow \frac{dx}{du} = -e^{-u}$$

$$\text{when } x=0 \rightarrow u = \infty, \text{ when } x=1 \rightarrow u=0$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{x} = \ln \frac{1}{e^{-u}} = \ln e^u = u$$

$$\text{so } a_1 = \frac{3}{2} \int_{\infty}^0 u^2 e^{-u} (-e^{-u}) du = \frac{3}{2} \int_0^{\infty} u^2 e^{-2u} du$$

$$\text{but } \int_0^{\infty} u^2 e^{-au} du = \frac{2!}{a^{2+1}}$$

from equation 2.2 page 458 book.

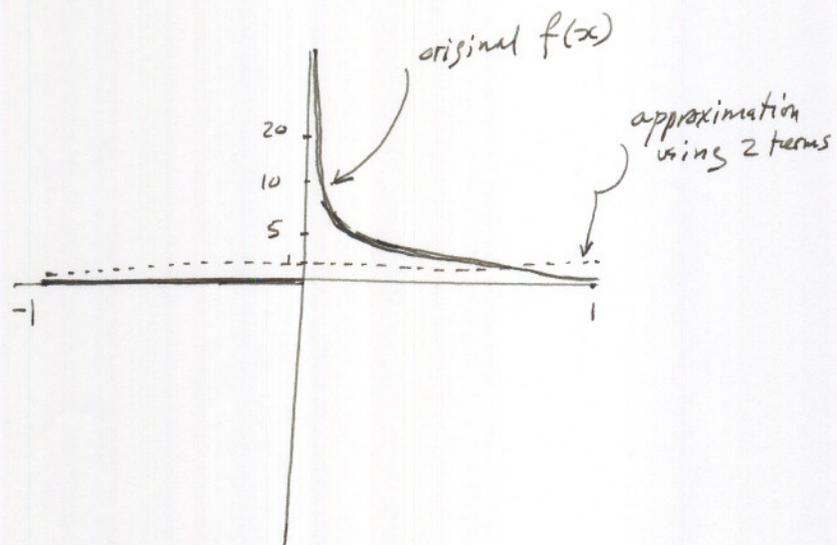
$$\text{so } a_1 = \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{2!}{2^3} \right) = \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{1}{4} \right) = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\text{hence } \tilde{f}(x) = a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1 = \boxed{1 + \frac{3}{8}x}$$



hence  $f(x) \approx a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1$

$$= 1 \cdot 1 + \frac{3}{8} x = 1 + \frac{3}{8} x$$



when  $x = -1$   $\tilde{f}(x) = 1 - \frac{3}{8} = \frac{5}{8}$   
when  $x = 0$   $\tilde{f}(x) = 1$   
when  $x = 1$   $\tilde{f}(x) = 1 + \frac{3}{8} = \frac{11}{8}$

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Expand in Legendre polynomials

$$f(x) = 7x^4 - 3x + 1$$

This is a degree 4 polynomial. hence best fit will only require using up to  $P_4$  Legendre Basis. (This is because  $\int_{-1}^1 P_n(x) P_m(x) dx = 0$  (any poly degree  $< n$ ) hence no need to try more than  $P_5$  and higher)

i.e  $\tilde{f}(x) = a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1 + a_2 P_2 + a_3 P_3 + a_4 P_4$

where

$$a_n = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_n(x) dx}{\frac{2}{2n+1}}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (7x^4 - 3x + 1) \cdot 1 dx}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \left[ \frac{7x^5}{5} \right]_{-1}^1 - 3 \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-1}^1 + \left[ x \right]_{-1}^1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{7}{5} (1 - (-1)^5) - \frac{3}{2} (1 - (-1)^2) + 2 \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{7}{5} (2) - \frac{3}{2} (0) + 2 \right) = \boxed{\frac{12}{5}}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (7x^4 - 3x + 1) x dx}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{2} \left[ 7 \left( \frac{x^6}{6} \right)_{-1}^1 - 3 \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right)_{-1}^1 + \left( \frac{x^2}{2} \right)_{-1}^1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \left[ \frac{7}{6} (1 - (-1)^6) - (1 - (-1)^3) + \frac{1}{2} (1 - (-1)^2) \right] = \frac{3}{2} \left[ \frac{7}{6} (0) - (2) + \frac{1}{2} (0) \right]$$

$$= \boxed{-3}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (7x^4 - 3x + 1) \cdot \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1) dx}{\frac{2}{5}} = \frac{5}{2} \int_{-1}^1 21x^6 - 7x^4 - 9x^3 + 3x + 3x^2 - 1 dx$$

$$= \frac{5}{4} \left( 21 \left( \frac{x^7}{7} \right)_{-1}^1 - 7 \left( \frac{x^5}{5} \right)_{-1}^1 - 9 \left( \frac{x^4}{4} \right)_{-1}^1 + 3 \left( \frac{x^2}{2} \right)_{-1}^1 + 3 \left( \frac{x^3}{3} \right)_{-1}^1 - \left( x \right)_{-1}^1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{4} \left( \frac{21}{7} (1 - (-1)^7) - \frac{7}{5} (1 - (-1)^5) - \frac{9}{4} (1 - (-1)^4) + \frac{3}{2} (1 - (-1)^2) + (1 - (-1)^3) - (1 - (-1)) \right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{4} \left( \frac{21}{7} (2) - \frac{7}{5} (2) - \frac{9}{4} (0) + \frac{3}{2} (0) + (2) - (2) \right) = \frac{5}{4} \left( \frac{42}{7} - \frac{14}{5} \right) = \frac{5}{4} \left( \frac{210}{35} - \frac{98}{35} \right)$$

$$= \frac{5}{4} \left( \frac{112}{35} \right) = \boxed{4}$$

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$$a_3 = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (7x^4 - 3x + 1) \left(-\frac{3}{2}x + \frac{5}{2}x^3\right) dx}{\frac{2}{7}}$$

$$= \frac{7}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (-21x^5 + 35x^7 + 9x^2 - 15x^4 - 3x + 5x^3) dx$$

$$= \frac{7}{4} \left( -2 \left(\frac{x^6}{6}\right) + 35 \left(\frac{x^8}{8}\right) + 9 \left(\frac{x^3}{3}\right) - 15 \left(\frac{x^5}{5}\right) - 3 \left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) + 5 \left(\frac{x^4}{4}\right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{7}{4} \left( -\frac{1}{3}(1 - (-1)^6) + \frac{35}{8}(1 - (-1)^8) + 3(1 - (-1)^3) - 3(1 - (-1)^5) - \frac{3}{2}(1 - (-1)^2) + \frac{5}{4}(0) \right)$$

$$= \frac{7}{4} \left( -\frac{1}{3}(0) + \frac{35}{8}(0) + 3(2) - 3(2) - \frac{3}{2}(0) + \frac{5}{4}(0) \right) = \frac{7}{4} (6 - 6) = \boxed{0}$$

$$a_4 = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (7x^4 - 3x + 1) \left(\frac{1}{8}(3 - 30x^2 + 35x^4)\right) dx}{\frac{2}{9}}$$

$$= \frac{9}{2} \int_{-1}^1 (21x^4 - 210x^6 + 245x^8 - 9x + 90x^3 - 95x^5 + 3 - 30x^2 + 35x^4) dx$$

$$= \frac{9}{16} \left( 21 \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) - 210 \left(\frac{2}{7}\right) + 245 \left(\frac{2}{9}\right) - 9(0) + 90(0) - 95(0) + 3(2) - 30 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 35 \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{9}{16} \left( \frac{42}{5} - \frac{420}{7} + \frac{490}{9} + 6 - 20 + 14 \right) = \frac{9}{16} \left( \frac{128}{45} \right) = \boxed{\frac{8}{5}}$$

$$\text{so } \tilde{f}(x) = a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1 + a_2 P_2 + a_3 P_3 + a_4 P_4 = \boxed{\frac{12}{5} P_0 - 3 P_1 + 4 P_2 + 0 P_3 + \frac{8}{5} P_4}$$

$$= \frac{12}{5}(1) - 3(x) + 4\left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}\right) + 0 + \frac{8}{5}\left(\frac{1}{8}(3 - 30x^2 + 35x^4)\right)$$

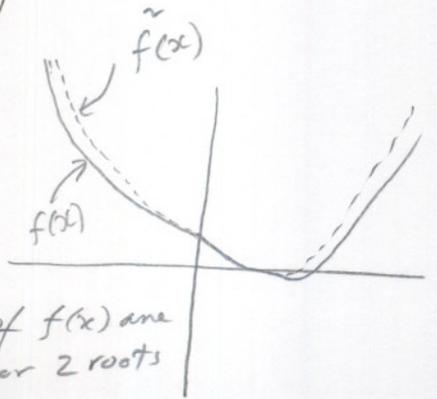
~~$$= \frac{7}{5} - 3x + 6x^2 - 2 + \frac{3}{5} - \frac{30}{5}x^2 + 7x^4$$

$$\tilde{f}(x) = 7x^4 - x^2 - 3x$$~~

$$= \frac{12}{5} - 3x + 6x^2 - 2 + \frac{3}{5} - \frac{30}{5}x^2 + 7x^4$$

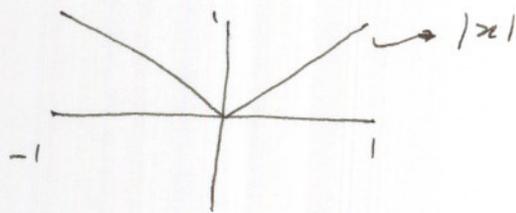
$$\tilde{f}(x) = 7x^4 - x^2 - 3x + 1$$

note: 2 roots of  $f(x)$  are real. the other 2 roots are complex.



Find the best fit (in least square sense)  
 Second order degree polynomial approximation to  
 each of these functions for  $-1 < x < 1$

$$|x|$$



Least square fit of a polynomial is the same as expanding the polynomial using Legendre polynomials. This was proved in class notes and in problem 9.16, page 507.

So I need to expand  $|x|$  in Legendre polynomials. Since we want a second degree polynomial, then

$$\tilde{f}(x) = a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1 + a_2 P_2 \quad \text{where } a_n = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_n}{\frac{2}{2n+1}}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 |x| P_0 dx}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 2 \int_0^1 x dx \right) = \left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} [1 - 0] = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{\int_{-1}^1 |x| P_1 dx}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \overset{\text{odd}}{\text{even } f \times \text{odd } f} dx = 0$$

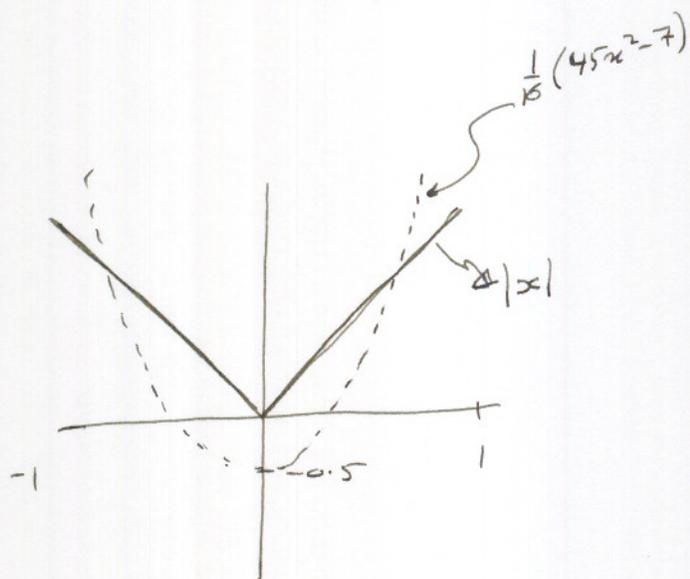
$$\begin{aligned} a_2 &= \frac{\int_{-1}^1 |x| P_2}{\frac{2}{5}} = \frac{5}{2} \left( \int_{-1}^0 -x \left( \frac{3}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \int_0^1 x \left( \frac{3}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \left( - \left[ \left( \frac{3}{2} \frac{x^4}{4} \right)_{-1}^0 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x^2}{2} \right)_{-1}^0 \right] + \left[ \left( \frac{3}{2} \frac{x^4}{4} \right)' - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x^2}{2} \right)' \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \left( - \left[ \frac{3}{8} (0 - (-1)^4) + \frac{1}{4} (0 - (-1)^2) \right] + \left[ \frac{3}{8} (1 - 0) - \frac{1}{4} (1 - 0) \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \left( - \left[ \frac{3}{8} (-1) + \frac{1}{4} (-1) \right] + \left[ \frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{4} \right] \right) = \frac{5}{2} \left[ - \left( -\frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left( \frac{1}{8} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{5}{2} \left( - \left( -\frac{5}{8} \right) + \frac{1}{8} \right) = \frac{5}{2} \left( \frac{5}{8} + \frac{1}{8} \right) = \frac{5}{2} \left( \frac{6}{8} \right) = \boxed{\frac{15}{8}} \rightarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } \tilde{f}(x) = a_0 P_0 + a_1 P_1 + a_2 P_2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} P_0 + 0 P_1 + \frac{15}{8} P_2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{15}{8} \left( \frac{3}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{45}{16} x^2 - \frac{15}{16} = \frac{45}{16} x^2 - \frac{7}{16} = \boxed{\frac{1}{16} (45x^2 - 7)}$$



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10.1

verify equations (10.3) and (10.4)

$$(10.3) \quad (1-x^2) u'' - 2(m+1)x u' + [l(l+1) - m(m+1)] u = 0$$

$$(10.4) \quad (1-x^2)(u')'' - 2[(m+1)+1]x(u')' + [l(l+1) - m(m+1)(m+2)] u' = 0$$

To verify (10.3) start with the associated Legendre DE:

$$(1-x^2) y'' - 2x y' + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] y = 0 \quad (1)$$

Substitute  $y = (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} u$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} u \right) = \frac{d}{dx} u (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} + u \frac{d}{dx} \left( (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{du}{dx} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} + u \left( \frac{m}{2} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \cdot (-2x) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$y' = \frac{du}{dx} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} - \frac{u m x}{1-x^2} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{du}{dx} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} \right) - \frac{d}{dx} \left( u m x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} + \frac{du}{dx} \left( \frac{m}{2} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} (-2x) \right) - \left( \frac{du}{dx} m (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} x + \right)$$

$$\rightarrow u m \frac{d}{dx} \left( x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{d^2 u}{dx^2} (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} - \frac{du}{dx} m x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} - \left( \frac{du}{dx} m x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} + u m \left( (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} + x \left( \frac{m}{2}-1 \right) (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-2} (-2x) \right) \right)$$

$$= u'' (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} - u' m x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} - u' m x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} + u m (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} + u m x \left( \frac{m}{2}-1 \right) (-2x) (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-2}$$

$$y'' = u'' (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} - u' m x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} - u' m x (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} + u m (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} + 2 u m x^2 \left( \frac{m}{2}-1 \right) (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-2}$$

Substitute  $y', y''$  above into (1)



$$(1-x^2) \left[ u'' (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} - 2u'mx(1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} - um(1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} + 2umx^2 \left(\frac{m}{2}-1\right) (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-2} \right] \\ - 2x \left[ u' (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} - umx(1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \right] + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}} u = 0$$

divide by  $(1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}-2}$  both sides of the equation.  $\Rightarrow$

$$(1-x^2) \left[ u'' (1-x^2)^2 - 2u'mx(1-x^2) - um(1-x^2) + 2umx^2 \left(\frac{m}{2}-1\right) \right] \\ - 2x \left[ u'x(1-x^2)^2 - umx^2(1-x^2) \right] + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] (1-x^2)^2 u = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow u'' \left[ (1-x^2)^3 \right] + u' \left[ -2mx(1-x^2)^2 - 2x(1-x^2)^2 \right] \\ + u \left[ -m(1-x^2)^2 + 2mx^2 \left(\frac{m}{2}-1\right) (1-x^2) + 2mx^2(1-x^2) \right] \\ + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] (1-x^2)^2 = 0$$

divide by  $(1-x^2)^2 \Rightarrow$

$$u'' (1-x^2) + u' (-2mx - 2x) \\ + u \left( -m + 2mx^2 \left(\frac{m}{2}-1\right) \frac{1}{(1-x^2)} + 2mx^2 \frac{1}{(1-x^2)} + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] \right) = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)u'' - 2(m+1)xu' + u \left( -m + \frac{2mx^2 \frac{m}{2} - 2mx^2}{(1-x^2)} + \frac{2mx^2}{1-x^2} + \left[ \quad \right] \right) = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)u'' - 2(m+1)xu' + u \left( -m + \frac{2mx}{1-x^2} (mx - 2x) + \frac{2mx^2}{1-x^2} + \left[ \quad \right] \right) = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)u'' - 2(m+1)xu' + u \left( -m + \frac{mx^2}{1-x^2} (m - 2 + 2) + l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right) = 0$$

$\rightarrow$

$$(1-x^2)u'' - 2(m+1)xu' + u \left( -m + \frac{m^2x^2}{1-x^2} - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} + l(l+1) \right) = 0$$

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$$+ u \left( -m + \frac{m^2(x^2-1)}{1-x^2} + l(l+1) \right) = 0$$

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$$+ u \left( -m - \frac{m^2(1-x^2)}{1-x^2} + l(l+1) \right) = 0$$

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$$+ u \left( -m - m^2 + l(l+1) \right) = 0$$

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$$+ u \left( l(l+1) - m(m+1) \right) = 0$$

hence we get

$$(1-x^2)u'' - 2(m+1)xu' + [l(l+1) - m(m+1)]u = 0$$

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now verify (10.4)

$$\text{differentiate } (1-x^2)u'' - 2(m+1)xu' + [l(l+1) - m(m+1)]u = 0$$

$$-2xu'' + (1-x^2)(u'')' - 2(m+1)[xu'' + u'] + [l(l+1) - m(m+1)]u' = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)(u'')' + u''(-2x - 2(m+1)x) + u'(-2(m+1) - m(m+1) + l(l+1)) = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)(u'')' + u''(-2x - 2mx - 2x) + u'(\cancel{m(m+1)}(m+1)(-2-m) + l(l+1)) = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)(u'')' + u''x(-4 - 2m) + u'(-(m+1)(m+2) + l(l+1)) = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)(u'')' - 2[(m+1)+1]x(u'')' + [l(l+1) - (m+1)(m+2)]u' = 0$$

which is 10.4.

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10.2

the equation for associated Legendre functions

(and for Legendre functions when  $m=0$ ) usually arises in

the form 
$$\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{dy}{d\theta} \right) + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta} \right] y = 0 \quad (1)$$

make the change of variable  $x = \cos \theta$  and obtain

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] y = 0 \quad (2)$$

Solution

let  $x = \cos \theta$  ~~is~~

$$\frac{dx}{d\theta} = -\sin \theta \Rightarrow d\theta = -\frac{dx}{\sin \theta}$$

so also  $\frac{dy}{d\theta}$  becomes  $-\frac{dy}{dx} \sin \theta = -\sin \theta \frac{dy}{dx}$ .

hence using these, we substitute in (1)

$$\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left( \sin \theta \left( -\sin \theta \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \right) + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-\cos^2 \theta} \right] y = 0$$

$$-\frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\sin^2 \theta \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] y = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( (1-\cos^2 \theta) \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + \quad \downarrow \quad = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( (1-x^2) \frac{dy}{dx} \right) + \quad \downarrow \quad = 0$$

$$-2x \frac{dy}{dx} + (1-x^2) \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \quad \downarrow \quad = 0$$

$$(1-x^2)y'' - 2xy' + \left[ l(l+1) - \frac{m^2}{1-x^2} \right] y = 0$$

QED

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10.5

Find  $P'_4 \cos \theta$  by substituting  $14(x)$

$$P'_l = (1-x^2)^{\frac{m}{2}}$$

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$$P_4(x) = \frac{1}{8} (3 - 30x^2 + 35x^4) \quad \text{found in problem 4.3.}$$

so  $\boxed{l=4 \text{ and } m=1}$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} P'_4(x) &= (1-x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{8} \frac{d}{dx} (3 - 30x^2 + 35x^4) \\ &= \sqrt{1-x^2} \frac{1}{8} (-60x + 140x^3) \\ &= \sqrt{1-x^2} \frac{1}{2} (35x^3 - 15x) \end{aligned}$$

let  $x = \cos \theta$ .

$$P'_4(\cos \theta) = \sqrt{1-\cos^2 \theta} \frac{1}{2} (35 \cos^3 \theta - 15 \cos \theta)$$

$$\boxed{P'_4(\cos \theta) = \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta (35 \cos^3 \theta - 15 \cos \theta)}$$