

To Section 2.1

Theorem 1 (*Theorem 2.2, CAUCHY's Error Representation*) Let the function f be $(n+1)$ -times differentiable in $[a, b]$ and let $[u, v, \dots, w]$ be the smallest interval $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathbb{R}$ containing all $u, v, \dots, w \in \mathcal{I}$. Then $\forall x \in [a, b] \exists \xi_x \in [x_0, \dots, x_n, x]$:

$$f(x) - p_n(x; f) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi_x)}{(n+1)!} \omega(x), \quad \omega(x) = (x - x_0) \cdots (x - x_n). \quad (1)$$

Proof. Let $c(x) = [f(x) - p_n(x, f)]/\omega(x)$, $x \neq x_i$, x be fixed (!), and let

$$F(t) = f(t) - p_n(t, f) - c(x)\omega(t), \quad \omega \in \Pi_{n+1}.$$

F has at least $n+2$ roots x_0, \dots, x_n, x . By ROLLE's Theorem

$$\begin{array}{ll} F'(t) & \text{at least } n+2-1 = n+1 \quad \text{roots,} \\ \dots & \dots \\ F^{(n+1)}(t) & \text{at least } n+2-(n+1) = 1 \quad \text{roots } \xi_x \text{ in } [x_0, \dots, x_n, x], \end{array}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(n+1)}(\xi_x) &= f^{(n+1)}(\xi_x) - [(n+1)!]c(x) = 0 \\ c(x) &= f^{(n+1)}(\xi_x)/(n+1)!. \end{aligned}$$

□

B-Splines Let Π_n be the set of all polynomials of degree $\text{Grad} \leq n$. Let $\Omega := \{x_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $x_i \in \mathbb{R}$, be a weakly monotonically increasing *node sequence*. Ω defines a *partition* Δ_m of the interval $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$, if $x_0 = a$ and $x_m = b$,

$$\dots \leq a = x_0 \leq x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_m = b \leq \dots$$

In the present context, Ω is called *non-confluent* if all x_i are mutually distinct and *confluent* else.

Definition 1 Two sufficiently smooth functions f and g coincide on the subset $\Phi \subset \Omega$ if

$$f^{(j-1)}(x) = g^{(j-1)}(x), \quad j = 1, \dots, k,$$

for all x which appear in Φ exactly k -times.

Let $p_{0, \dots, m}(x; f) \in \Pi_m$ be the interpolating polynomial which coincides with f on $\{x_0, \dots, x_m\}$,

$$p_{0, \dots, m}(x; f) = f(x_0) + \sum_{i=1}^m (x - x_0) \cdots (x - x_{i-1}) [x_0, \dots, x_i] f \quad (2)$$

$((x - x_{-1}) = 1)$. Then the error satisfies

$$f(x) = p_{0, \dots, m}(x; f) + (x - x_0) \cdots (x - x_m) [x_0, \dots, x_m, x] f, \quad (3)$$

because the polynomial on the right side has the value $f(x)$ in every point x for fixed x . The highest term

$$[x_0, \dots, x_m] f \quad (4)$$

is called (generalized) *divided difference* of order m and $[x_i, \dots, x_k] f$ is defined correspondingly such that we can confine ourselves to (4) in the sequel.

Lemma 1 *Es gilt*

(a) $[x_0, \dots, x_m]f$ is independent of the succession of the nodes x_i .

(b) $[x_0, \dots, x_m]f$ is linear in f .

(c)

$$[x_0, \dots, x_m]f = \frac{f^{(m)}(\xi)}{m!}, \quad \xi \in [x_0, \dots, x_m],$$

in particular, this relation holds with $\xi = x$ if $x_0 = \dots = x_m = x$.

(d) LEIBNIZ' rule for $f : x \mapsto g(x) \cdot h(x)$,

$$[x_0, \dots, x_m]f = \sum_{k=0}^m ([x_0, \dots, x_k]g)([x_k, \dots, x_m]h).$$

(e)

$$[x_0, \dots, x_m]f = \frac{[x_0, \dots, x_{r-1}, x_{r+1}, \dots, x_m]f - [x_0, \dots, x_{s-1}, x_{s+1}, \dots, x_m]f}{x_s - x_r}$$

if $x_s \neq x_r$.

Proof. (a) and (b) follow from the existence and uniqueness theorem for polynomial interpolation.

(c) follows from (3) and the error representation after CAUCHY

$$f(x) = p_{0, \dots, m}(x; f) + \frac{f^{(m+1)}(\xi)}{(m+1)!}(x-x_0) \cdots (x-x_m).$$

(d) (Cf. [DeBoor], p. 5.) We consider the function

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \sum_{r=0}^m (x-x_0) \cdots (x-x_{r-1}) [x_0, \dots, x_r]g \\ &\quad \times \sum_{s=0}^m (x-x_{s+1}) \cdots (x-x_m) [x_s, \dots, x_m]h, \end{aligned}$$

$((x-x_{m+1})=1)$ which coincides with f at the points x_0, \dots, x_m since, by (2), the first factor coincides with g and the second with h at these points. Expansion yields

$$F(x) = \sum_{r,s=0}^m \dots = \sum_{r \leq s} \dots + \sum_{r > s} \dots$$

But the sum $\sum_{r > s} \dots$ disappears at the points x_0, \dots, x_m because each term contains all factors $(x-x_i)$, $i=0, \dots, m$. Accordingly, $\sum_{r \leq s} \dots$ must coincide with f at the points x_0, \dots, x_m as well. The $\sum_{r \leq s} \dots$ is now a polynomial of degree m with highest term

$$\sum_{r=s} ([x_0, \dots, x_r]g)([x_s, \dots, x_m]h),$$

which, by uniqueness, must coincide with the highest term $[x_0, \dots, x_m]f$ of the interpolating polynomial of degree m at the points x_0, \dots, x_m .

(e) See Höllig: Numerische Mathematik §3.1.

Definition 2 A function $s : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a polynomial spline or briefly **spline** of degree n w.r.t. the partition Δ_m if

(a) $s \in C^{n-1}[a, b]$,

(b) $s \in \Pi_n$ in $[x_i, x_{i+1})$, $i=0, \dots, m-1$.

The set of these splines is denoted by $S_n(\Delta_m)$.

For $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ let

$$\begin{aligned} p_k(x) &:= x^k, \\ q_k(t, x) &:= (t - x)_+^k := \text{Max}\{(t - x)^k, 0\} \quad (\text{FÖPPL symbol}). \end{aligned}$$

$q_k(t, x)$ has $k - 1$ continuous derivatives w.r.t. both arguments and the k -th derivative makes a jump of height $k!$ resp. $(-1)^k k!$.

Theorem 2 *The set $S_n(\Delta_m)$ is a linear space of dimension $m + n$. The elements*

$$p_0, \dots, p_n, q_n(\cdot, x_1), \dots, q_n(\cdot, x_{m-1})$$

form a basis of $S_n(\Delta_m)$.

Proof. See [Hämmerlin], p. 246.

Definition 3

$$B_{i,n}(x) := (x_{i+n+1} - x_i)[x_i, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_n(\cdot, x)$$

is the i -th normalized B-spline (B like "b"asis) of degree n w.r.t. the node sequence Ω .

Properties:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{partition of unity} & \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} B_{i,n}(x) = 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \\ \text{positivity} & B_{i,n}(x) \geq 0, \\ \text{lokal support} & B_{i,n}(x) = 0, \quad x \notin [x_i, x_{i+n+1}], \\ \text{continuity} & B_{i,n}(x) \text{ (} n - 1 \text{)-times continuously differentiable.} \end{array}$$

Proof [Hämmerlin], §6.3.

Lemma 2 *(Recurrence Formula for B-splines)*

$$\begin{aligned} B_{i,n}(x) &= w_{i,n}(x)B_{i,n-1}(x) + (1 - w_{i+1,n}(x))B_{i+1,n-1}(x), \\ w_{i,n}(x) &= \begin{cases} \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+n} - x_i}, & x_{i+n} \neq x_i, \\ \text{arbitrary.} & \text{else,} \end{cases} \\ B_{i,0}(x) &= \begin{cases} 1, & x_i \leq x < x_{i+1}, \\ 0 & \text{else.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Cf. [DeBoor], p. 130. By definition, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [x_i](\cdot - x) &= (x_i - x), \\ [x_i, x_{i+1}](\cdot - x) &= 1, \\ [x_i, \dots, x_{i+k}]q_1(\cdot - x) &= 0, \quad k > 1, \\ q_n(t, x) &= (t - x)q_{n-1}(t, x). \end{aligned}$$

By application of these relations we obtain the LEIBNIZ rule

$$\begin{aligned} [x_i, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_n(\cdot, x) &= [x_i, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]((\cdot - x)q_{n-1}(\cdot, x)) \\ &= \sum_{r=i}^{i+n+1} ([x_i, \dots, x_{i+r}](\cdot - x))([x_{i+r}, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x)) \\ &= (x_i - x)[x_i, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x) + 1 \cdot [x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x) \end{aligned}$$

and by Lemma 1(e)

$$(x_i - x)[x_i, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]f = \frac{x_i - x}{x_{i+n+1} - x_i} ([x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]f - [x_i, \dots, x_{i+n}]f).$$

Together we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & [x_i, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_n(\cdot, x) \\ &= \frac{x_i - x}{x_{i+n+1} - x_i} [x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x) - \frac{x_i - x}{x_{i+n+1} - x_i} [x_i, \dots, x_{i+n}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x) \\ &+ \frac{x_{i+n+1} - x_i}{x_{i+n+1} - x_i} [x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x) \\ &= \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+n+1} - x_i} [x_i, \dots, x_{i+n}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x) + \frac{x_{i+n+1} - x}{x_{i+n+1} - x_i} [x_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i+n+1}]q_{n-1}(\cdot, x). \end{aligned}$$

After multiplication by $(x_{i+d+1} - x_i)$ we obtain by this way the desired recurrence formula

$$B_{i,n}(x) = \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+n} - x_i} B_{i,n-1}(x) + \frac{x_{i+n+1} - x}{x_{i+n+1} - x_{i+1}} B_{i+1,n-1}(x).$$

Theorem 3 (*Representation Theorem*) *The B-splines*

$$B_{-n,n}, \dots, B_{m-1,n}$$

form a basis of the space of splines $S_n(\Delta_m)$.

By this result every spline $s \in S_n(\Delta_m)$ has the representation

$$s(x) = \sum_{i=-n}^{m-1} \underline{a}_i B_{i,n}(x). \quad (5)$$

Choosing $\underline{a}_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$ or $\underline{a}_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$ there results the corresponding spline curve in the plane resp. in the space. The polygon with corners \underline{a}_i is called *control polygon* or DEBOOR polygon.

The following *algorithm of DEBOOR* is used for the calculation of a spline $s \in S_n(\Delta_m)$ at the point $x \in [x_l, x_{l+1}) \subset [x_0, x_m]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{a}_i^k &= \alpha^k \underline{a}_i^{k-1} + (1 - \alpha^k) \underline{a}_{i-1}^{k-1}, \quad \alpha^k = \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+n+1-k} - x_i}, \quad i \in \{l-d, \dots, l\}, \\ \underline{a}_i^0 &= \underline{a}_i, \quad \underline{a}_l^n = s(x). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Cf. [DeBoor], p. 146 ff. By the recurrence formula

$$\begin{aligned} s(x) &= \sum_i a_i B_{i,n}(x) \\ &= \sum_i a_i \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+n} - x_i} B_{i,n-1}(x) + \sum_i a_i \frac{x_{i+n} - x}{x_{i+n} - x_i} B_{i+1,n-1}(x). \end{aligned}$$

We write $i = j - 1$ in the second sum and combine both sums then

$$s(x) = \sum_i a_i^1(x) B_{i,n-1}(x)$$

where

$$a_i^1(x) = \frac{(x - x_i)a_i + (x_{i+n-1} - x)a_{i-1}}{x_{i+n-1} - x_i}.$$

Repeating this step for $k = 2, \dots, n$ yields

$$s(x) = \sum_i a_i^k(x) B_{i,n-k}(x)$$

where

$$a_i^k(x) = \frac{(x - x_i)a_i^{k-1}(x) + (x_{i+n-k} - x)a_{i-1}^k(x)}{x_{i+n-k} - x_i}, \quad k > 0.$$

DEBOOR scheme

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} a_{l-n}^0 & & & & & & \\ a_{l-n+1}^0 & a_{l-n+1}^1(x) & & & & & \\ a_{l-n+2}^0 & a_{l-n+2}^1(x) & a_{l-n+2}^2(x) & & & & \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & & & & \\ a_l^0 & a_l^1 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & a_l^n(x) = s(x) \end{array}$$

So one needs the node sequence $\{\underline{a}_{-n}, \dots, \underline{a}_{m-1}\}$ to calculate the spline $s(x)$ at an arbitrary point $x \in [x_0, x_m]$.

To Section 2.2 Main theorem on orthogonal polynomials.

Theorem 4 (*Existence and Construction*) (1°) *Adopting Assumption 2.1*

$\forall i \in \mathbb{N}_0 \exists! p_i \in \overline{\Pi}_i : i \neq k \implies (p_i, p_k) = 0.$

(2°) *The orthogonal polynomials are uniquely determined by the three-term recurrence relation (with $xp : x \mapsto xp(x)$)*

$$\begin{aligned} p_{-1}(x) &= 0, \quad p_0(x) = 1, \quad p_{i+1}(x) = (x - \delta_{i+1})p_i(x) - \gamma_{i+1}^2 p_{i-1}(x), \quad i \geq 0, \\ \delta_{i+1} &= (xp_i, p_i)/(p_i, p_i), \quad i \geq 0, \quad \gamma_{i+1}^2 = \begin{cases} 0, & i = 0, \\ (p_i, p_i)/(p_{i-1}, p_{i-1}), & i \geq 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Proof. By GRAM-SCHMIDT *orthogonalization* of the monoms $x \mapsto x^k$. The assertion is clear for $p_0(x) \equiv 1$. Let the assertion be true for all polynomials of degree $j \leq i$. Then it is to be shown that a $p_{i+1} \in \overline{\Pi}_{i+1}$ exists such that $(p_{i+1}, p_j) = 0$, $j \leq i$, and that p_{i+1} has the above properties. By the fundamental theorem of algebra or by direct verification using the norm it is shown that the polynomials p_j , $j = 0 : i$, are linear independent. Therefore for $p_{i+1} \in \overline{\Pi}_{i+1}$ uniquely

$$p_{i+1}(x) = (x - \delta_{i+1})p_i(x) + c_{i-1}p_{i-1}(x) + \dots + c_0p_0(x).$$

Because $(p_j, p_k) = 0$, $\forall j, k \leq i$, $j \neq k$, $(p_{i+1}, p_j) = 0$ for all $j \leq i$ if and only if the following bothe equations are fulfilled:

$$\begin{aligned} (p_{i+1}, p_i) &= (xp_i, p_i) - \delta_{i+1}(p_i, p_i) = 0, \quad j = i, \\ (p_{i+1}, p_{j-1}) &= (xp_{j-1}, p_i) + c_{j-1}(p_{j-1}, p_{j-1}) = 0, \quad \forall j \leq i. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

By Assumption 2.1 we have $(p_k, p_k) \neq 0$, $k \leq i$, therefore the assertion follows for δ_{i+1} by (7). By inductin hypothesis

$$\begin{aligned} & p_j(x) = (x - \delta_j)p_{j-1}(x) - \gamma_j^2 p_{j-2}(x), \quad j \leq i, \\ \implies & (p_j, p_i) = (xp_{j-1}, p_i) - \delta_j(p_{j-1}, p_i) - \gamma_j^2(p_{j-2}, p_i), \quad j \leq i, \\ \implies & (p_j, p_i) = (xp_{j-1}, p_i), \quad j \leq i, \\ \implies & c_{j-1} = -\frac{(p_j, p_i)}{(p_{j-1}, p_{j-1})} = \begin{cases} -\gamma_{i+1}^2, & j = i \\ 0, & j < i \end{cases}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 5 For $\delta, \varepsilon \in \{0, 1\}$, there exists a unique integration rule

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx \approx \delta \beta_0 f(0) + \underline{b}^T F(\underline{x}) + \varepsilon \beta_{n+1} f(1) \quad (8)$$

of maximum degree $\tilde{N} = 2n + \delta + \varepsilon - 1$.

Proof. Let $\underline{e} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be the vector consisting of units only.

(1°) For all $\underline{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\underline{b}^T \underline{e} = 1$ there exist uniquely weights β_0, β_{n+1} such that (8) has order $N^* \geq \delta + \varepsilon - 1$:

For $\delta = \varepsilon = 0$ we have $\underline{b}^T(\gamma \underline{e}) = \gamma$ hence $N^* \geq 0 > -1$.

For $(\delta, \varepsilon) = (1, 0)$ or $(\delta, \varepsilon) = (0, 1)$ and $f(x) \equiv 1$, it follows that $1 = \delta \beta_0 f(0) + \underline{b}^T \underline{e} + \varepsilon \beta_{n+1} f(1)$, which yields β_0 resp. β_{n+1} , and $N^* \geq 0$.

For $\delta = \varepsilon = 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = x &\implies \frac{1}{2} = 0 + \underline{b}^T \underline{x} + \beta_{n+1} \implies \beta_{n+1} \\ f(x) = 1 &\implies 1 = \beta_0 + \underline{b}^T \underline{e} + \beta_{n+1} \implies \beta_0, \end{aligned}$$

and therefore $N^* = 1$.

(2°) Choose GAUSS weights and GAUSS nodes \tilde{b}, \underline{x} by Theorem 2.3.2 w.r.t. the weight function $\omega^*(t) = t^\delta(1-t)^\varepsilon$ in $[0, 1]$ and insert

$\underline{b} = [\tilde{\beta}_i / \omega^*(x_i)]_{i=1}^n$. For β_0, β_{n+1} by (1°), the integration rule (8) then has order $\tilde{N} = 2n - 1 + \delta + \varepsilon$:

Division by $\omega^*(t)$ yields for $p \in \Pi_{\tilde{N}}$

$$\begin{array}{l} p(t) = p_1(t) + \omega^*(t) \cdot p_2(t) := p_1(t) + q(t) \\ \text{order: } \tilde{N} \quad \delta + \varepsilon - 1 \quad \delta + \varepsilon \quad + \quad 2n - 1 \end{array}$$

$p_1(t)$ is integrated exactly by (1°), and $q(t) \in \Pi_{\tilde{N}}$ is integrated exactly because

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 q(t) dt &= \int_0^1 \omega^*(t) p_2(t) dt = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\beta}_i p_2(x_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\tilde{\beta}_i}{\omega^*(x_i)} \omega^*(x_i) p_2(x_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i q(x_i) = 0 + \underline{b}^T Q(\underline{x}) + 0. \end{aligned}$$

Accordingly, p is integrated exactly by linearity.

(3°) For $\delta = \varepsilon = 0$, \tilde{N} is maximum by Theorem 2.3.2, otherwise choose

$$p(x) = x^\delta(1-x)^\varepsilon \prod_{i=1}^n (x - x_i)^2 \in \Pi_{2n + \delta + \varepsilon 1}$$

In all cases $(\delta, \varepsilon) = (1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1)$ the exact integral is positive whereas the integration rule has the value zero hence the error is non-zero. □