

Today:

- Low rank / smooth func.

- Taylor

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{1}{v}$$

local expansion

multipole expansion

rank

"expansions" using LA

HW2

Smoothing Operators

If the operations you are considering are *smoothing*, you can expect to get a lot of mileage out of low-rank machinery.

What types of operations are smoothing?

Now: Consider some examples of smoothness, with justification.

How do we judge smoothness?

Recap: Multivariate Taylor

$$f(\vec{c} + \vec{h}) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p} \frac{D^\alpha f(\vec{c})}{\alpha!} h^\alpha$$

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$$

Taylor and Error (I)

How can we estimate the error in a Taylor expansion?



Taylor and Error (II)

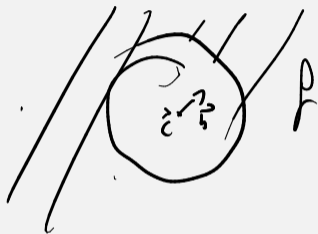
Now suppose that we had an estimate that $\left| \frac{f^{(p)}(c)}{p!} h^p \right| \leq \alpha^p$.

$$\left| \sum_{p=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(p)}(c)}{p!} h^p \right| = \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \cdot \alpha^{k+1}$$

The handwritten equation shows the absolute value of a sum from $p=k+1$ to ∞ of $\frac{f^{(p)}(c)}{p!} h^p$. A bracket under the denominator $p!$ and the h^p term is labeled α^p . The sum is equated to a fraction $\frac{1}{1-\alpha}$ multiplied by α^{k+1} . The fraction $\frac{1}{1-\alpha}$ is enclosed in a hand-drawn cloud-like shape.

Connect Taylor and Low Rank

Can Taylor help us establish low rank of an interaction?



$$f(x) = f(c+h) \approx \sum_{|p| \leq k} \frac{D^p(c)}{p!} h^p$$

$$= \sum_{|p| \leq k} (\text{coeff}) \cdot \varphi_p(h)$$

Taylor on Potentials (I)

Compute a Taylor expansion of a 2D Laplace point potential.

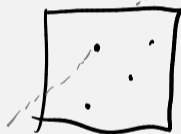
$$\begin{aligned}\psi(\vec{x}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n G(\vec{x}, \vec{y}_i) \varphi(\vec{y}_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\|\vec{x} - \vec{y}_i\|_2) \varphi(\vec{y}_i)\end{aligned}$$

$$n=1 \quad \varphi(\vec{y}_1) = 1$$

$$\text{Taylor exp. } G(\vec{x}, \vec{y}_1)$$

Taylor on Potentials (1a)

Why is it interesting to consider Taylor expansions of Laplace point potentials?



$$3D: \frac{1}{r}$$

$$2D: \log(r) \quad \downarrow \quad \|x-y\|_2$$

Taylor on Potentials (II)

$$\vec{d} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$r = \|\vec{d}\|_2$$

$$\partial_x \frac{1}{r} = \frac{d_1}{r^2}$$

$$d_2 \frac{1}{r} = \frac{d_2}{r^2}$$

Maxima 5.42.1 <http://maxima.sourceforge.net>

(%i1) phi0: log(sqrt(y1**2 + y2**2));

(%o1)
$$\frac{\log(d_2^2 + d_1^2)}{2}$$

(%i2) diff(phi0, y1);

(%o2)
$$\frac{d_1}{d_2^2 + d_1^2}$$

(%i3) diff(phi0, y1, 5);

(%o3)
$$\frac{120 d_1^3}{(d_2^2 + d_1^2)^3} - \frac{480 d_1^2 d_2}{(d_2^2 + d_1^2)^4} + \frac{384 d_1^5}{(d_2^2 + d_1^2)^5}$$

(%i4)

$$\frac{1}{r^6} \sim \frac{1}{r^6}$$

Taylor on Potentials (III)

Which of these is the most dangerous (largest) term?

→ Hard to say. They all contain the same number of powers of components of \mathbf{y} .

What's a bound on it? Let $R = \sqrt{y_1^2 + y_2^2}$.

$$\left| \frac{5040y_1}{(y_2^2 + y_1^2)^4} \right| \leq C \left| \frac{y_1}{R^8} \right| \leq C \frac{1}{R^7}.$$

'Generalize' this bound:

$$|D^p \psi| \leq C_p \begin{cases} \log(R) & |p| = 0 \\ R^{-|p|} & |p| > 0 \end{cases}.$$

Appears true at least from the few p we tried. (Actually is true.)

C_p is a 'generic constant'—its value could change from one time it's written to the next.

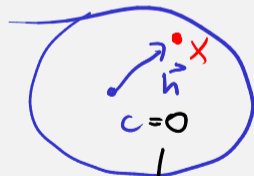
Taylor on Potentials (IV)

$$f(x, y) = f_1(x) f_2(y)$$

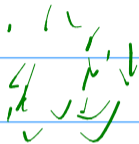
What does this mean for the convergence of the Taylor series as a whole?

$$\left| \frac{D^p \psi(0) h^p}{p!} \right| \leq C_p \|y\|_2^{-p} \|h\|^p = C_p \left(\frac{\|h\|}{\|y\|} \right)^p$$

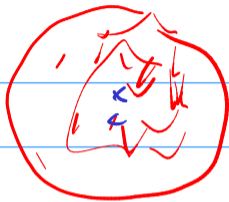
y



WLOG



y_j



x_j

$$C_p \left(\frac{\|h\|}{\|y\|} \right)^p$$

$$\left| \sum G(x_i, y_i) p(y_i) - (\text{Taylor series of highest order } p) \right| \leq C_p \left(\frac{d(c_i, \text{furtherst target})}{d(c_i, \text{closest source})} \right)^{p+1}$$

Taylor on Potentials (V)

Lesson: As long as

$$\frac{\max_i |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{c}|_2}{\min_j |\mathbf{y}_j - \mathbf{c}|_2} = \frac{r}{R} < 1,$$

the Taylor series converges.

Taylor on Potentials (VI)

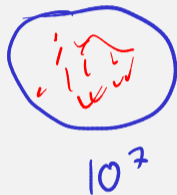
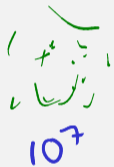
A few remarks:

- ▶ We have just invented one specific example of what we will call a *local expansion* (of a potential ψ).
- ▶ The abstract idea of a *local expansion* is that:
 - ▶ it converges on the interior of a ball as long as the closest source is outside that ball,
 - ▶ The error in approximating the potential by a truncated (at order k) local expansion is

$$C_p \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^{k+1} = \left(\frac{\text{dist}(\mathbf{c}, \text{furthest target})}{\text{dist}(\mathbf{c}, \text{closest source})} \right)^{k+1}$$

Taylor on Potentials: Low Rank?

Connect this to the numerical rank observations:



Taylor on Potentials: Low Rank

Low numerical rank is no longer a numerically observed oddity, it's mathematical fact.

Away from the sources, point potentials are smooth enough that their Taylor series ('local expansions') decay quickly. As a result, the potential is well-approximated by truncating those expansions, leading to low rank.

Local expansions as a Computational Tool

Low rank makes evaluating interactions cheap(er). Do local expansions help with that goal?



n galaxy clusters \rightarrow still n^2

local expts
compute

Taylor on Potentials, Again



Stare at that Taylor formula again.

local $\rightarrow \psi(x-y) = \sum_{|p| \leq k} \frac{D^p \psi(x-y)|_{x=c}}{p!} (x-c)^p$

(p! is underlined in green, labeled 'source') (x-c)^p is underlined in red, labeled 'target')

multipole $\rightarrow \psi(x-y) = \sum_{|p| \leq k} \frac{D^p \psi(x-y)|_{y=c}}{p!} (y-c)^p$

(p! is underlined in red, labeled 'target') (y-c)^p is underlined in green, labeled 'source')

Multipole Expansions (I)

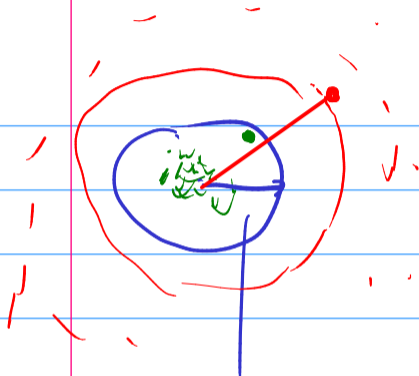
At first sight, it doesn't look like much happened, but mathematically/geometrically, this is a very different animal.

First Q: When does this expansion converge?

$$\left| \frac{D^p \psi(x-y)}{p!} \Big|_{y=c} (y-c)^p \right| \leq C_p \left(\frac{\|y-c\|_2}{\|x-c\|_2} \right)^p$$

$$\left| \sum G(x_i, y_i) \rho(y_i) - \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Multipole} \\ \text{Taylor series} \\ \text{of highest} \\ \text{order } p \end{array} \right) \right| \leq C_{p+1} \left(\frac{d(c, \text{furtherst src})}{d(c, \text{closest tgt})} \right)^{p+1}$$

Recall local case: $\left(\frac{\text{furtherst tgt}}{\text{closest src}} \right)^p$



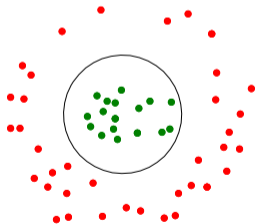
$$\frac{d(c_i, \text{furtherst src})}{d(c_i, \text{closest tgt})}$$

Multipole Expansions (II)

The abstract idea of a *multipole expansion* is that:

- ▶ it converges on the **exterior** of a ball as long as the furthest source is closer to the center than the closest target,
- ▶ The error in approximating the potential by a truncated (at order k) local expansion is

$$\left(\frac{\text{dist}(\mathbf{c}, \text{furthest source})}{\text{dist}(\mathbf{c}, \text{closest target})} \right)^{k+1} .$$



The multipole expansion converges everywhere outside the circle!
(Possibly: slowly, if the targets are too close—but it does!)