

CMPSCI 145 Homework
Parametric Equations
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1. There are three points in 4-dimensional space defined as follows:

$$P_0: \quad \langle 4, 8, 2, 5 \rangle$$

$$P_1: \quad \langle 10, 2, 6, 9 \rangle$$

$$P_2: \quad \langle 2, 12, 9, 1 \rangle$$

Generate the parametric equations for each of the four dimensions. Each equation will be of the form $F(t) = at^2 + bt + c$, where a , b , and c are constants (numbers). Refer to the four dimensions as x , y , z , and w , so the four equations you will generate will be as follows (fill in the blanks with the correct constants):

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t^2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \\ y(t) &= \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t^2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \\ z(t) &= \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t^2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \\ w(t) &= \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t^2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} t + \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \end{aligned}$$

2. I want to pass a quartic function through five points P_0 , P_1 , P_2 , P_3 , and P_4 . The curve should go through P_0 at $t=0$, P_1 at $t=1/4$, P_2 at $t=1/2$, P_3 at $t=3/4$, and P_4 at $t=1$. Fill in the following template for LaGrange Interpolation to show how we would go about generating the parametric equations for this problem (you do not need to reduce the equations).

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})}{(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})} P_0 + \\ &\frac{(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})}{(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})} P_1 + \\ &\frac{(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})}{(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})} P_2 + \\ &\frac{(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})}{(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})} P_3 + \\ &\frac{(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(t - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})}{(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})(\underline{\hspace{1cm}} - \underline{\hspace{1cm}})} P_4 \end{aligned}$$