

Radial basis function network

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In[906]:= x = 0; Remove["Global`*"]; DateList[Date[]] // Most
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Out[906]= {2020, 5, 11, 20, 56}
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Radial basis functions have grown in popularity, particularly for multivariate interpolation with scattered data.

The key property is that a unique interpolant ALWAYS exists.

This is not true of any polynomial basis interpolation.

- Infinitely Smooth RBFs

These radial basis functions are from $C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ and are strictly positive definite functions^[12] that n

- **Gaussian:**

$$\varphi(r) = e^{-(\varepsilon r)^2}$$

- **Multiquadric:**

$$\varphi(r) = \sqrt{1 + (\varepsilon r)^2}$$

- **Inverse quadratic:**

$$\varphi(r) = \frac{1}{1 + (\varepsilon r)^2}$$

- **Inverse multiquadric:**

$$\varphi(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\varepsilon r)^2}}$$

- **Polyharmonic spline:**

$$\varphi(r) = r^k, \quad k = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$\varphi(r) = r^k \ln(r), \quad k = 2, 4, 6, \dots$$

**For even-degree polyharmonic splines ($k = 2, 4, 6, \dots$), to avoid numerical problems at computational implementation is often written as $\varphi(r) = r^{k-1} \ln(r^r)$.*

- **Thin plate spline** (a special polyharmonic spline):

$$\varphi(r) = r^2 \ln(r)$$

- **Compactly Supported RBFs**

These RBFs are compactly supported and thus are non-zero only within a radius of $1/\varepsilon$, and their matrices

- **Bump function:**

$$\varphi(r) = \begin{cases} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{1-(\varepsilon r)^2}\right) & \text{for } r < \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

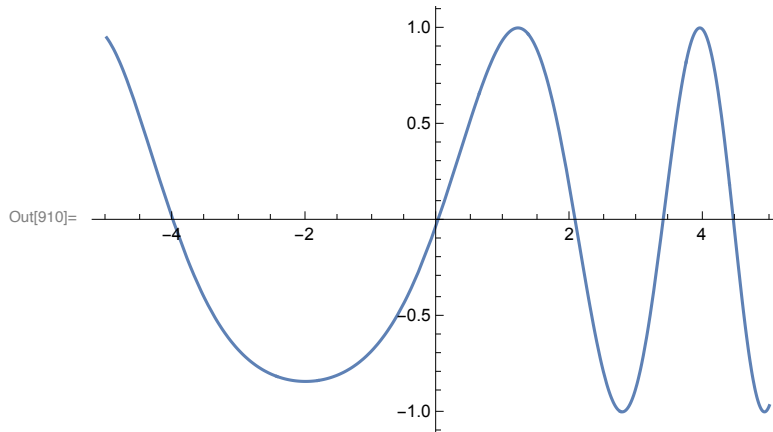
Define radial basis function (rbf)

G will be our node function. We make it evaluate vectors elementwise.
The parameter c is the center of the rbf, and r scales the rbf

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In[907]:= Clear[G]  
G[x_] := Exp[-(ϵ x)2]
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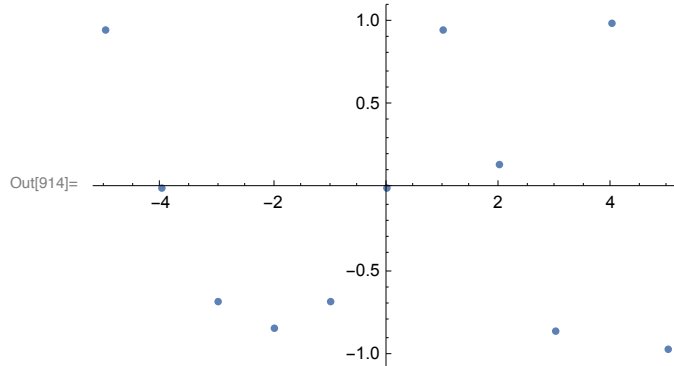
Create data set

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In[909]:= f[x_] = Sin[x x / 4 + x];  
Plot[f[x], {x, -5, 5}, PlotRange → All]
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We shall interpolate this function using 11 uniformly distributed points in $[-5,5]$

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In[911]:= {xmin, xmax} = {-5., 5.}; xpts = Range[-5, 5, 1];  
npts = Length[xpts];  
ypts = f /@ xpts; data = {xpts, ypts} // N // Transpose;  
ListPlot[data]
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Define the model

Since we interpolate, the centers will be the data points. and the basis will be the rbfs with those centers

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In[915]:= centers = xpts;
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In[916]:= basis = Table[G[x - c], {c, centers}]
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Out[916]= {e-(5+x)2 ε2, e-(4+x)2 ε2, e-(3+x)2 ε2, e-(2+x)2 ε2, e-(1+x)2 ε2,  
e-x2 ε2, e-(-1+x)2 ε2, e-(-2+x)2 ε2, e-(-3+x)2 ε2, e-(-4+x)2 ε2, e-(-5+x)2 ε2}
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The model function will be a linearly weighted sum of the outputs of the rbfs

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In[917]:= avec = Table[ai, {i, 1, npts}];
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model = avec.basis
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Out[918]= e-(5+x)2 ε2 a1 + e-(4+x)2 ε2 a2 + e-(3+x)2 ε2 a3 + e-(2+x)2 ε2 a4 + e-(1+x)2 ε2 a5 + e-x2 ε2 a6 +  
e-(-1+x)2 ε2 a7 + e-(-2+x)2 ε2 a8 + e-(-3+x)2 ε2 a9 + e-(-4+x)2 ε2 a10 + e-(-5+x)2 ε2 a11
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Define the set of variables and make 1 the initial guess for all

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In[919]:= vars = avec; init = vars - vars + 1;
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varsin = {vars, init} // Transpose;
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Interpolation

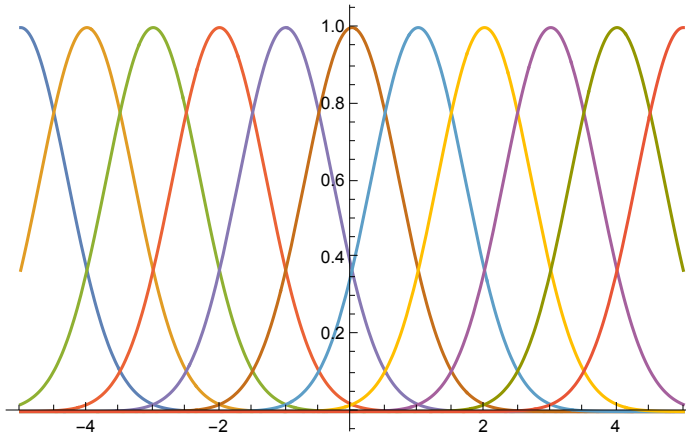
We shall interpolate. The number of data points equals the number of free parameters, a_j . We have not chosen the tuning parameter. We will try three different values.

Fit our example: $\epsilon = 1$

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In[967]:=  $\epsilon = 1;$ 
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Plot[basis, {x, xmin, xmax}]
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Out[968]=
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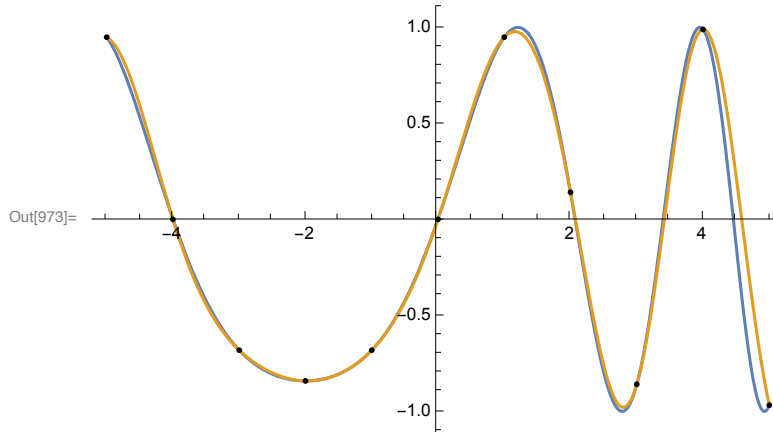
Compute the inner products of each pair to ascertain the covariance. Since all eigenvalues are close, these functions are relatively independent.

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In[969]:= Table[NIntegrate[basis[[i]] × basis[[j]], {x, xmin, xmax}],  
             {i, 1, npts}, {j, 1, npts}];  
Eigenvalues[  
    %]
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Out[970]= {3.01918, 2.68023, 2.19879, 1.6681, 1.17125,  
           0.761839, 0.459511, 0.257726, 0.136445, 0.0734326, 0.0495276}
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In[971]:= fit = FindFit[data, model, varsin, x, MaxIterations -> 500];
modelf = Function[{x}, Evaluate[model /. fit]];
Plot[{f[x], modelf[x]}, {x, xmin, xmax}, PlotRange -> All, Epilog -> Map[Point, data]]
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Nice fit.

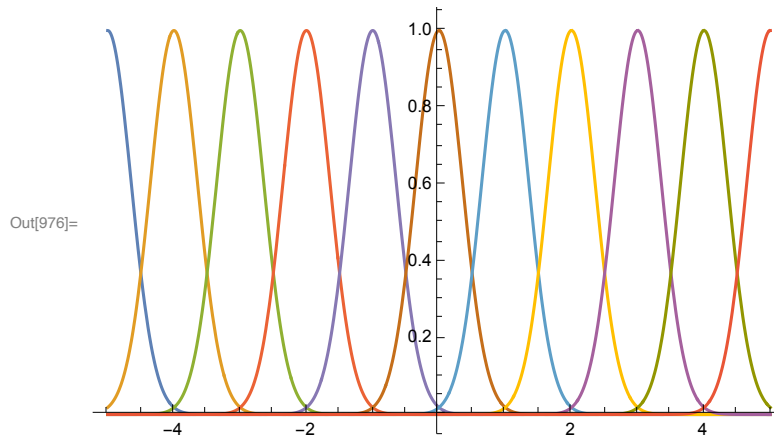
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In[974]:= NIntegrate[(f[x] - modelf[x])^2, {x, xmin, xmax}]^1/2
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Out[974]= 0.286344

Fit our example: $\epsilon = 2$ (more spiky rbfs)

$\epsilon = 2$;

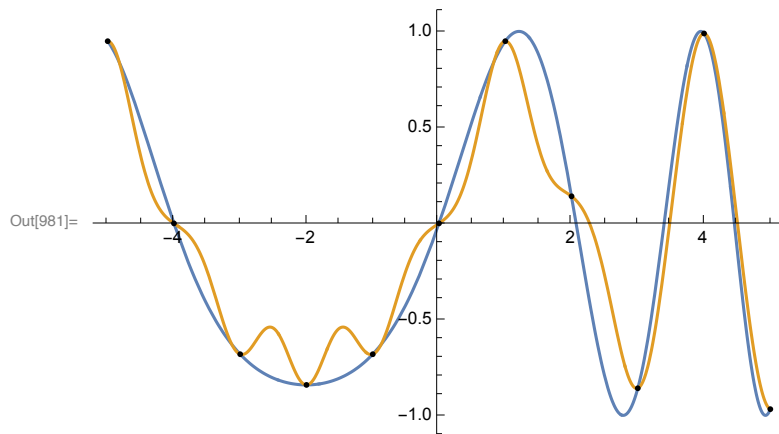
`Plot[basis, {x, xmin, xmax}, PlotRange -> All]`



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In[977]:= Table[NIntegrate[basis[[i]] * basis[[j]], {x, xmin, xmax}],
  {i, 1, npts}, {j, 1, npts}];
Eigenvalues[
  %]
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Out[978]= {0.78895, 0.766387, 0.730967, 0.685775, 0.634769,
0.582498, 0.533825, 0.493704, 0.466931, 0.291363, 0.291362}

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modelf = Function[{x}, Evaluate[model /. fit]];
Plot[{f[x], modelf[x]}, {x, xmin, xmax}, PlotRange -> All, Epilog -> Map[Point, data]]
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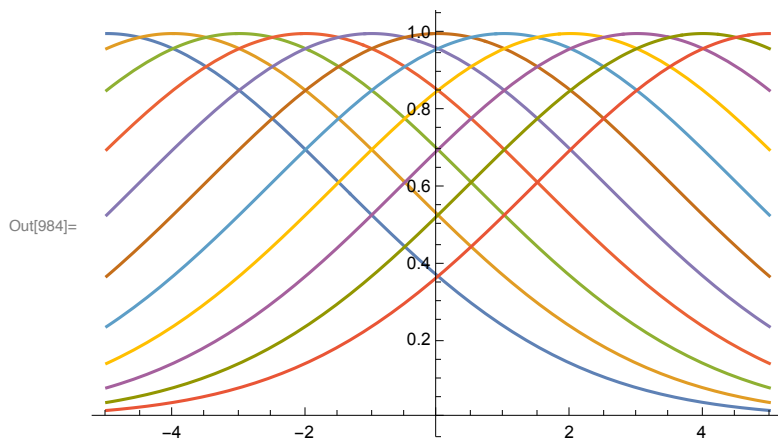
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In[982]:= NIntegrate[(f[x] - modelf[x])^2, {x, xmin, xmax}]^1/2
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Out[982]= 0.629905

Fit our example: $\epsilon=1/5$ (flatter rbfs)

$\epsilon = 1/5;$

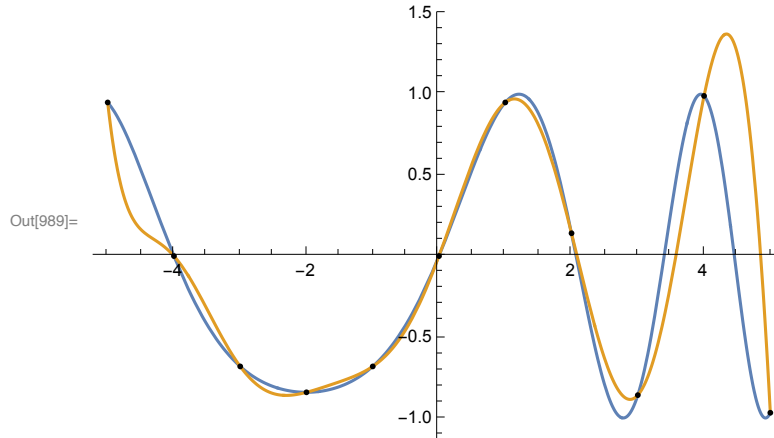
`Plot[basis, {x, xmin, xmax}, PlotRange -> All]`



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In[985]:= Table[NIntegrate[basis[[i]] * basis[[j]], {x, xmin, xmax}],
  {i, 1, npts}, {j, 1, npts}];
Eigenvalues[
  %]
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Out[986]= $\{44.2055, 8.30632, 0.599869, 0.0199102, 0.000354803, 3.75935 \times 10^{-6},$
 $2.49712 \times 10^{-8}, 1.05482 \times 10^{-10}, 2.75658 \times 10^{-13}, -1.09776 \times 10^{-15}, 9.75085 \times 10^{-16}\}$

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modelf = Function[{x}, Evaluate[model /. fit]];  
Plot[{f[x], modelf[x]}, {x, xmin, xmax}, PlotRange -> All, Epilog -> Map[Point, data]]
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In[952]:= NIntegrate[(f[x] - modelf[x])^2, {x, xmin, xmax}]^1/2
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Out[952]= 1.13886

Comments

RBFs are more useful in multiple dimensions, particularly when the data is scattered.

Each RBF represents a data point and interpolation allows us to approximate a function between the data points.

Choosing the tuning parameter is a matter of “art”. One can try different values and then use out-of-sample information to choose a good value.

As the the size of data sets increases, the use of flatter RBFs is good EXCEPT for the ill-conditioning problems.