

# scattered data interpolation for computer graphics

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Course: Scattered Data Interpolation for Computer Graphics

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# course website

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# quick survey of applications

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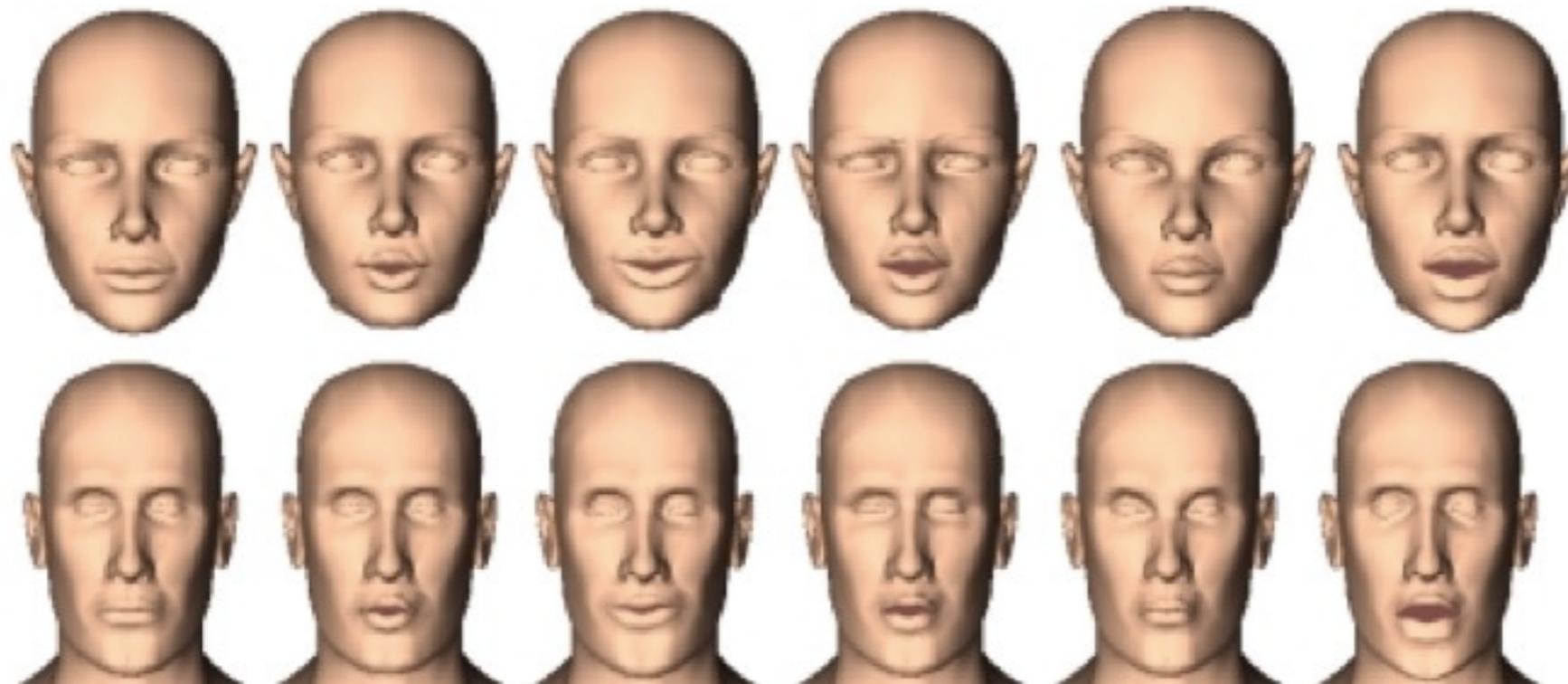
# wrinkles



Bickel, Lang, Botsch, Otaduy, Gross  
Pose-Space Animation and Transfer of Facial Details  
ACM SCA 2008

# facial retargeting

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Noh and Neumann, Expression Cloning, SIGGRAPH 2001

# editing NPR light and shade

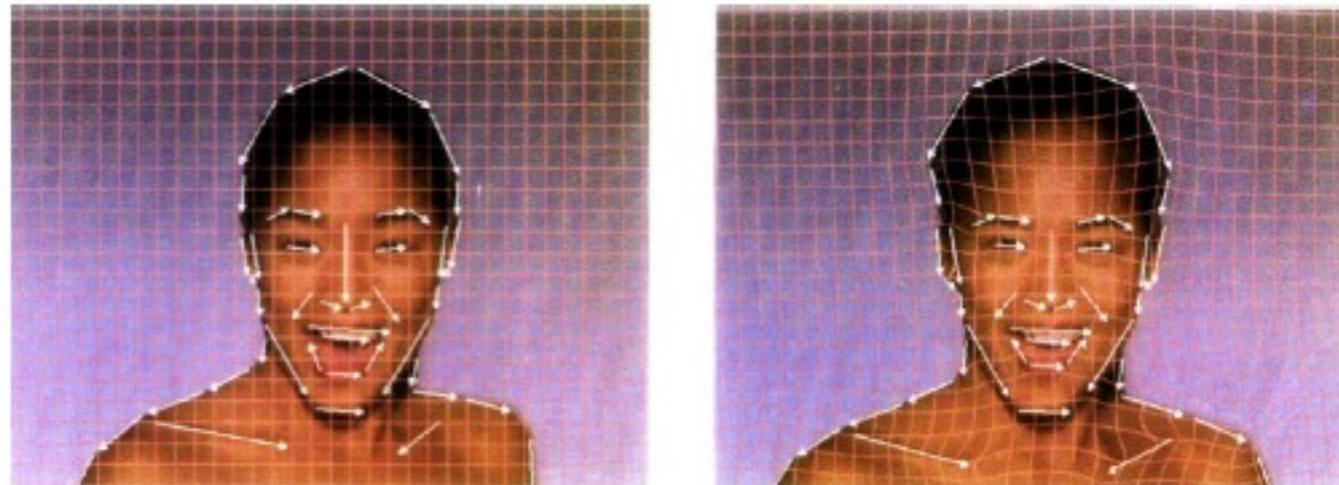
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H. Todo, K. Anjyo, W. Baxter, and T. Igarashi.  
Locally controllable stylized shading.  
SIGGRAPH 07

# image registration, morphing

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from Beier & Neely, Feature-Based Image Metamorphosis, SIGGRAPH 1992

# inpainting

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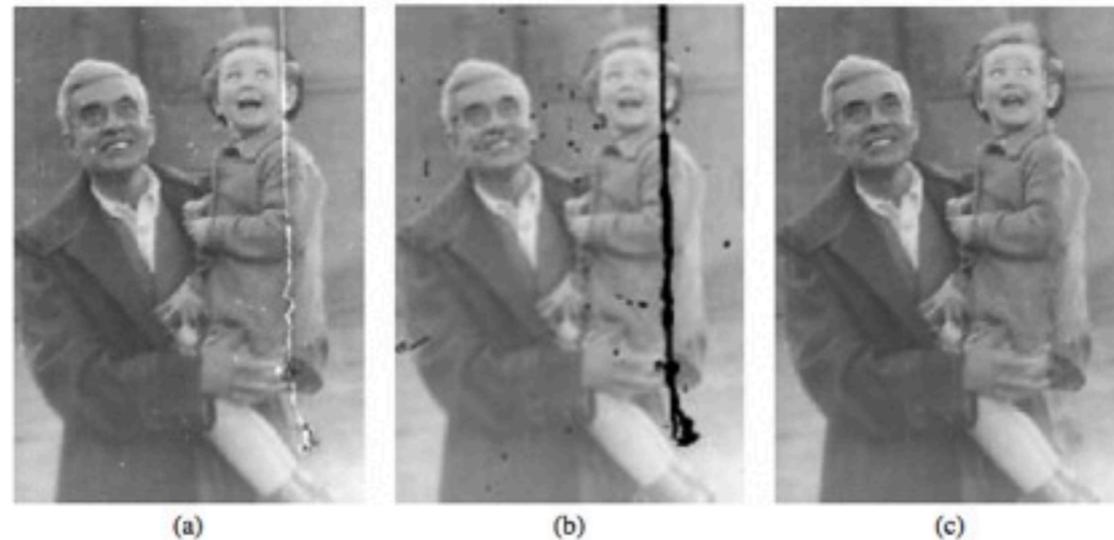


Figure 4. (a) Old photograph. (b) Selected retouching area. (c) Result produced with our algorithm. The algorithm can repaint disconnected areas.

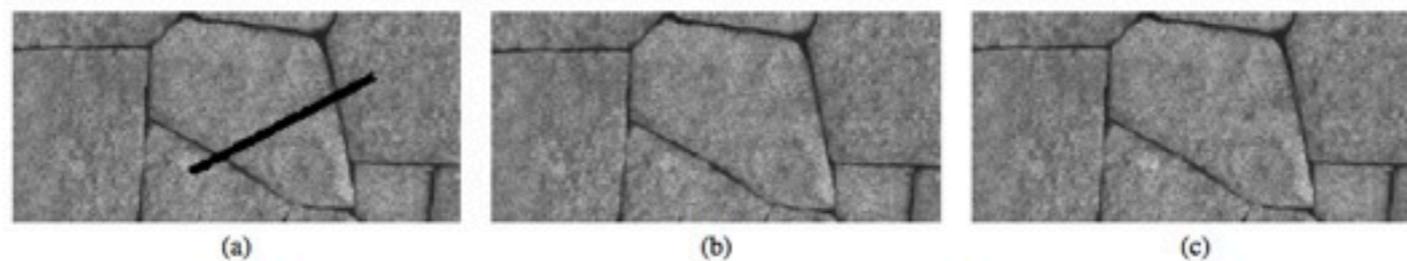
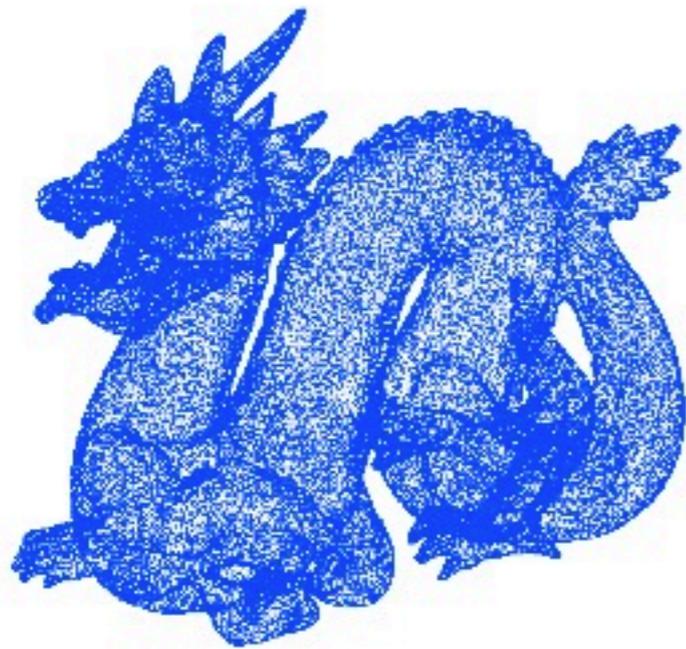


Figure 5. (a) "Stone", from [2]. (b) Result produced with Hirani and T. Totsuka's algorithm [2]. (c) Restored image obtained with our algorithm.

Savchenko, Kojekine, Unno  
A Practical Image Retouching Method

# implicit surfaces

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(a)



(b)

Carr, Beatson et al.  
Reconstruction and Representation of 3D Objects with Radial Basis Functions  
SIGGRAPH 2001

# colorization

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**Marked B/W image**



**Result**

Levin, Lischinski, Weiss,  
Colorization using Optimization  
SIGGRAPH 2004

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# body animation

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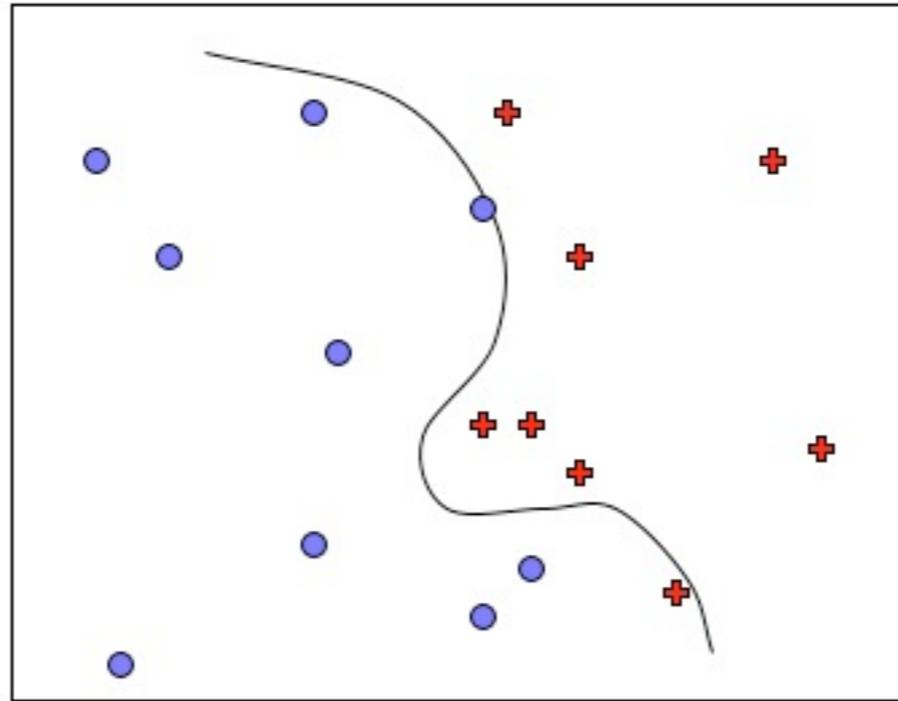
# fluids

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- "meshfree"

# machine learning

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From training data, learn a function  $R^N \rightarrow -1, 1$   
.... by interpolating the training data

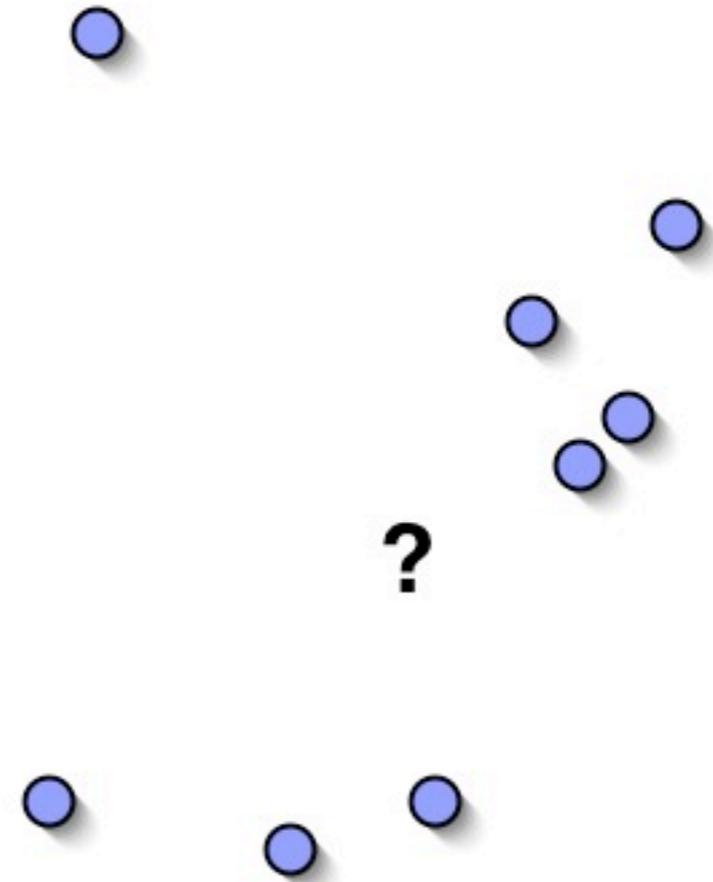
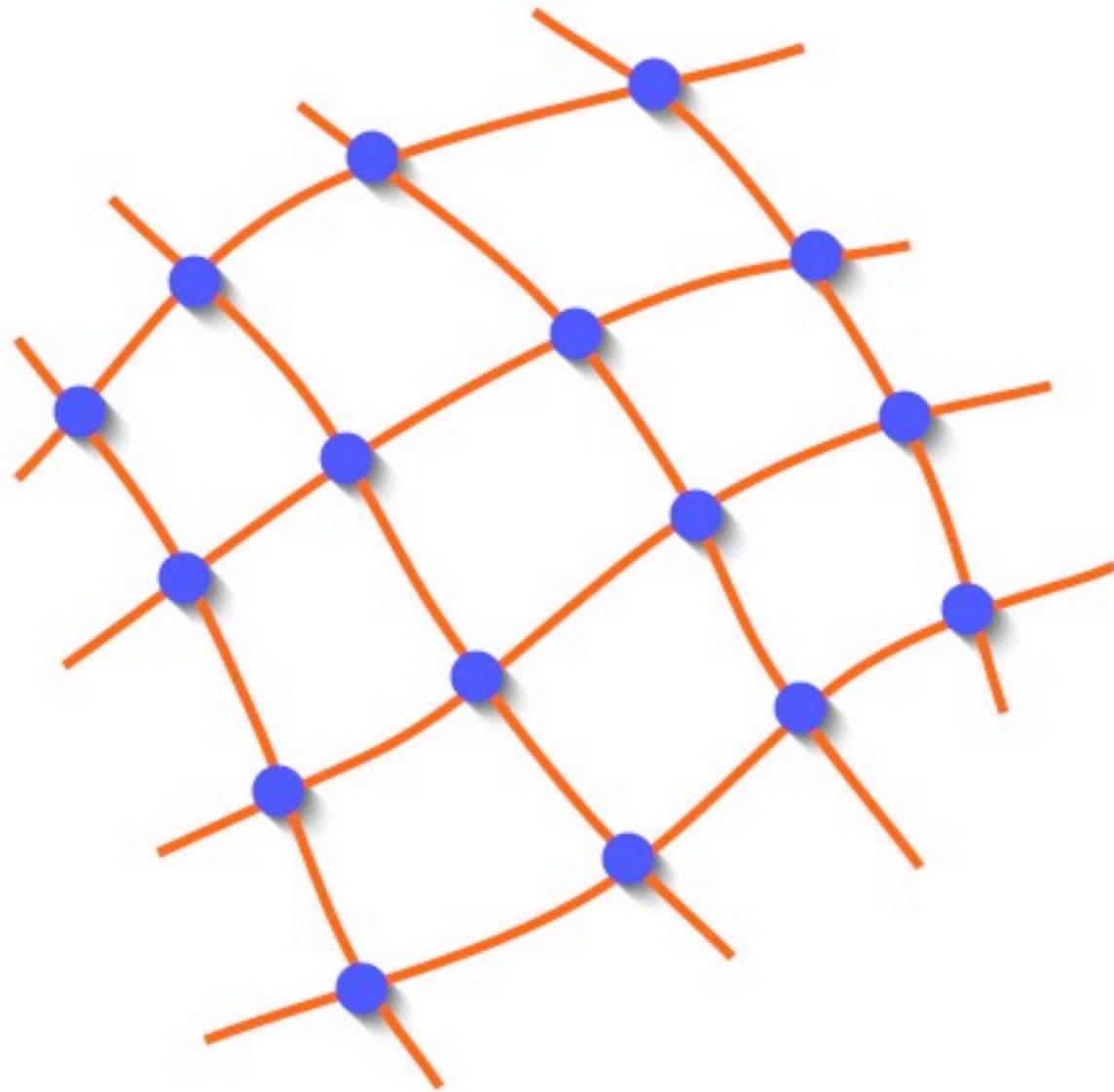
# "S3D" (Stereoscopic movies)

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- (discussed at 10:30)

# definition

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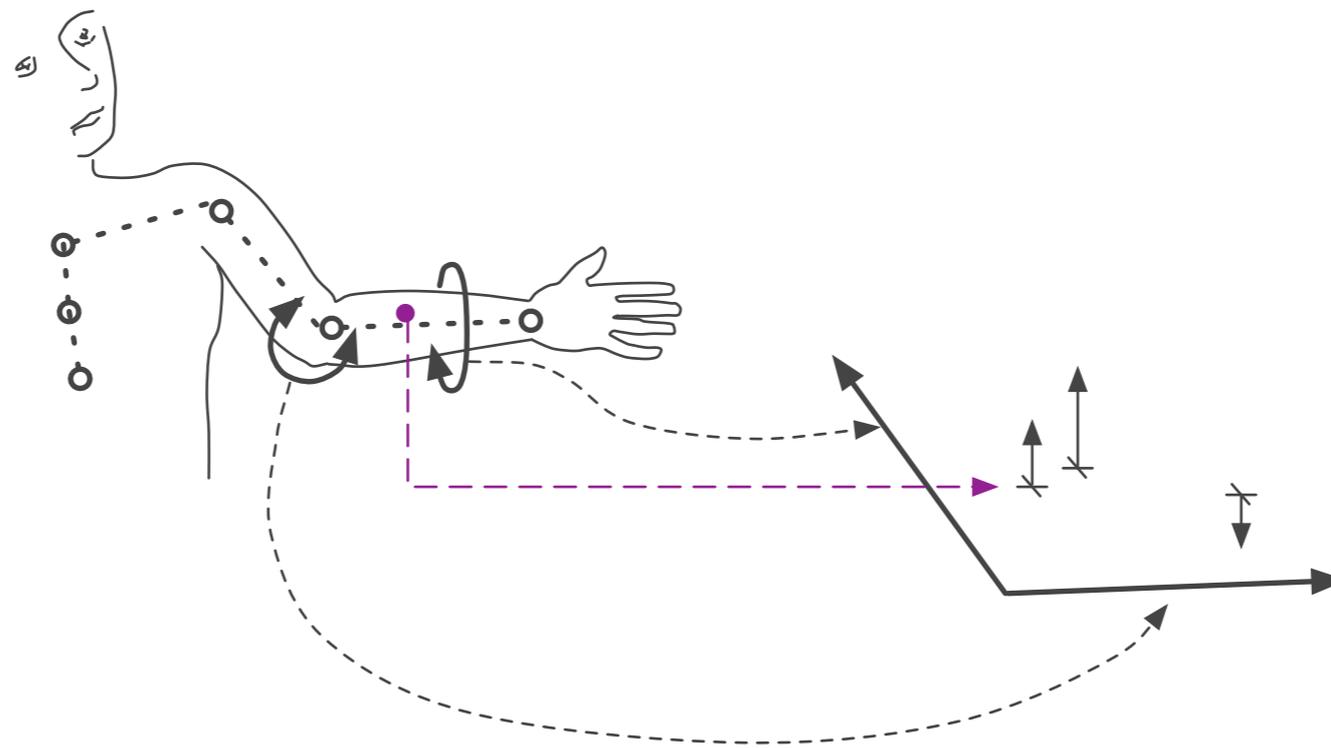
# graphics history

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- all graphics textbooks discuss splines;  
none cover scattered interpolation (yet)
- < 1999: 3 papers?  
since: lots!

# example

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## Modeling Deformable Human Hands from Medical Images

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Natsuki MIYATA

National Insitute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology

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# "volume skinning"

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Taehyun Rhee et al.

Scan-Based Volume Animation Driven by Locally Adaptive Articulated Registrations,

IEEE Trans. Visualization and Computer Graphics March 2011

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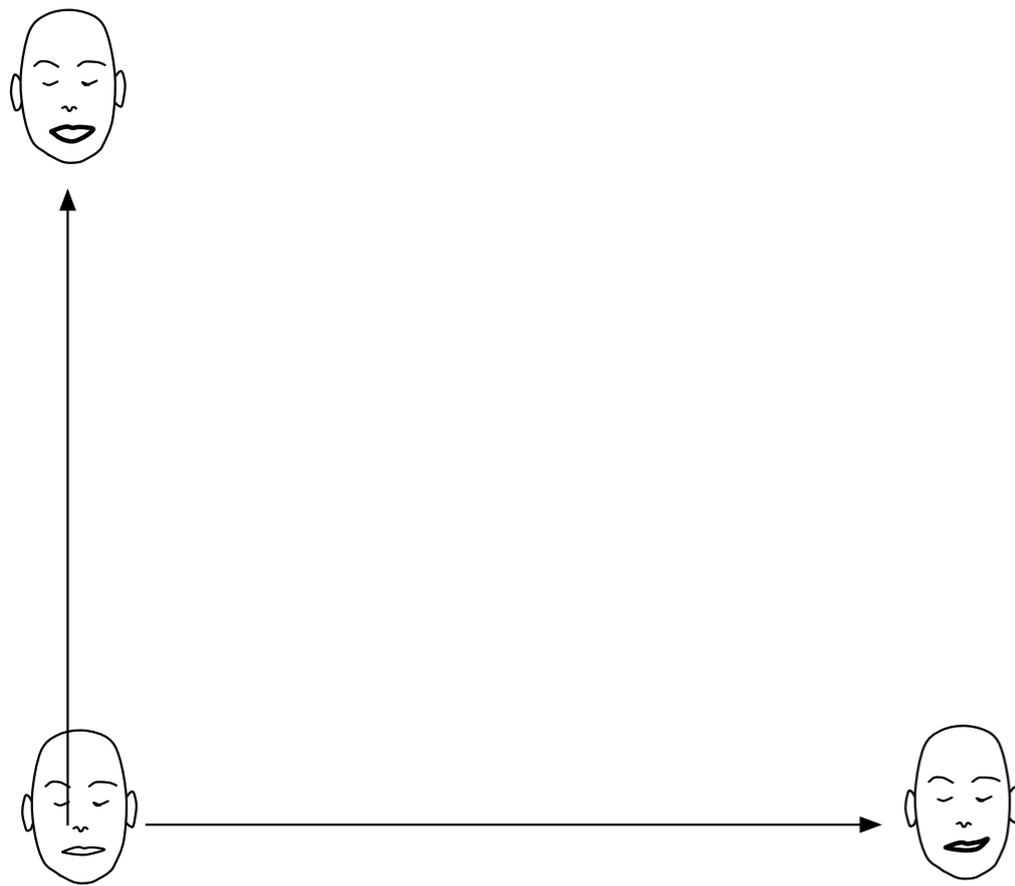
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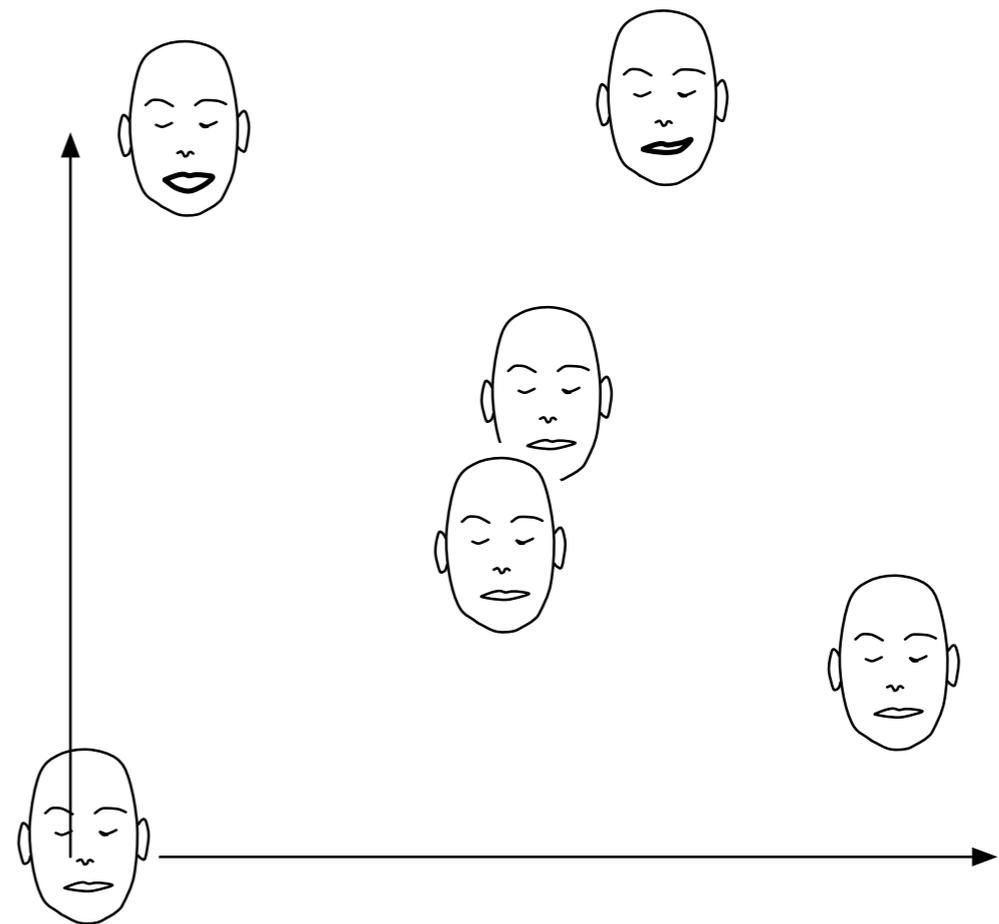
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# Open Problems

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blendshape



desired

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- Duchon: Green's function for Laplace  $\nabla^{2m}$  in various dimensions  $n$

$$R(\mathbf{x}) \propto \begin{cases} |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} \log |\mathbf{x}| & \text{if } 2m - n \text{ is an even integer,} \\ |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

- for  $m=2, n=1$ , this is  $R(x) = |x|^3$
- for  $m=2, n=3$ , this is  $R(x) = |x|^1$

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- for  $m=2$ ,  $n=100$ , this is  $R(\mathbf{x}) \propto |\mathbf{x}|^{-96}$
- singular at origin, numerically useless!

# Questions or Discussion?

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# thank you!

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# Scattered Data Interpolation in Computer Graphics



# Euclidean invariant

Scattered interpolation is generally Euclidean invariant, versus regular interpolation schemes

$$\text{Rotate}(\text{Interpolate}(\text{data})) = \text{Interpolate}(\text{Rotate}(\text{data}))$$

## Euclidean invariant

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# Shepard Interpolation

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$$\hat{d}(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{\sum w_k(\mathbf{p})d_k}{\sum w_k(\mathbf{p})}$$

weights set to an inverse power of the distance:

$$w_k(\mathbf{p}) = \|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_k\|^{-p}.$$

Note: singular at the data points  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}_k$ .



# Comparison: Shepard's $p = 1$

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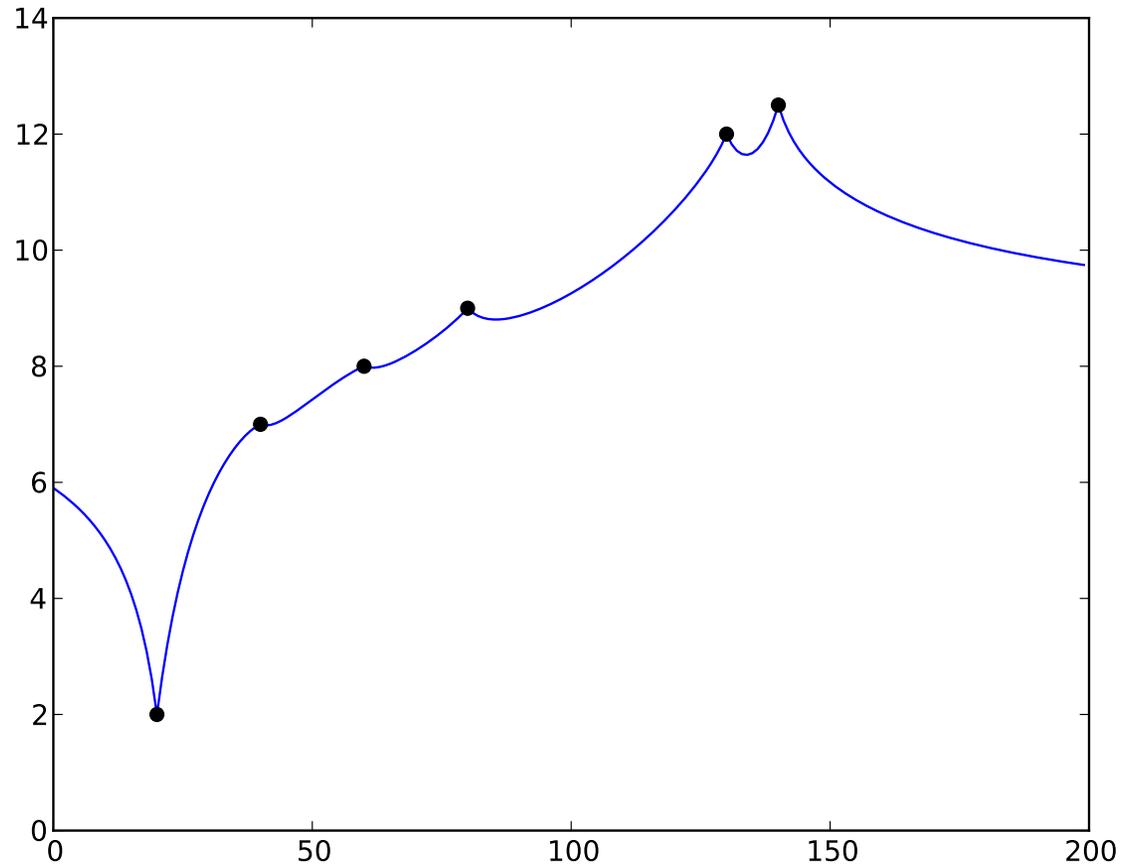
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# Comparison: Shepard's $p = 2$

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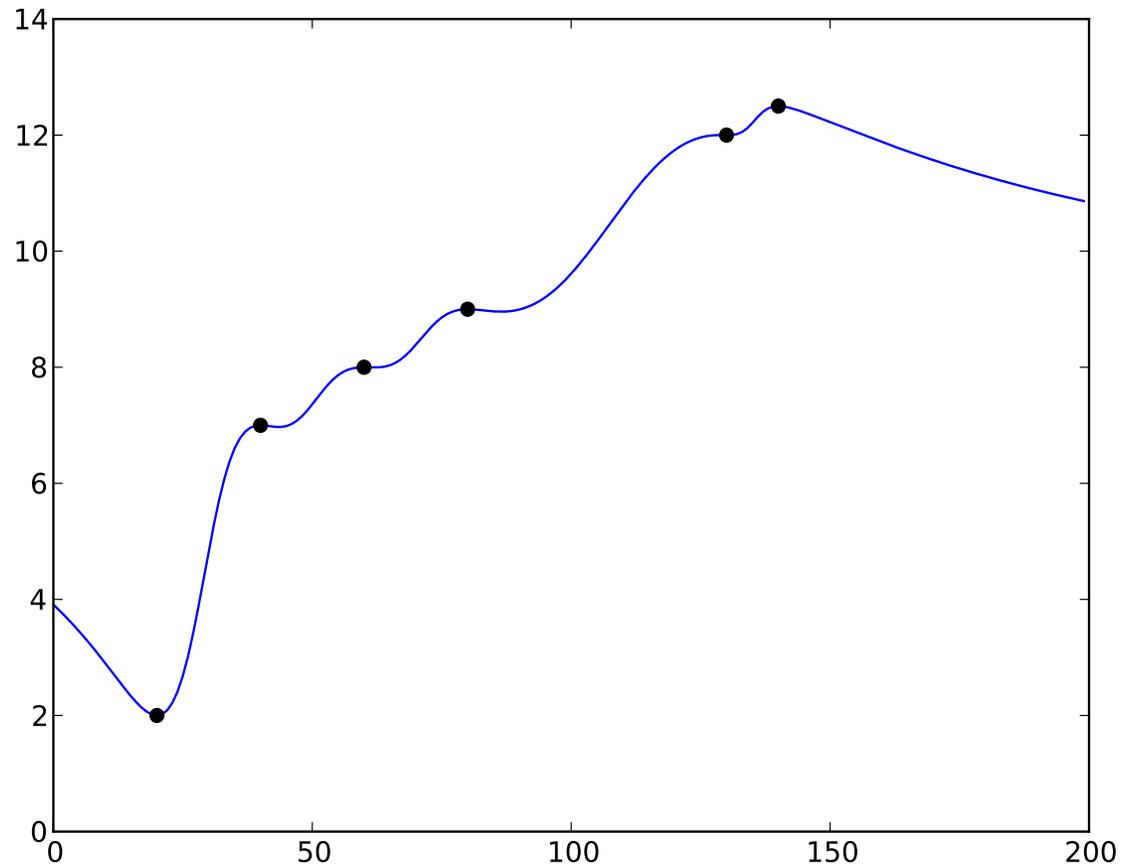
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# Comparison: Shepard's $p = 5$

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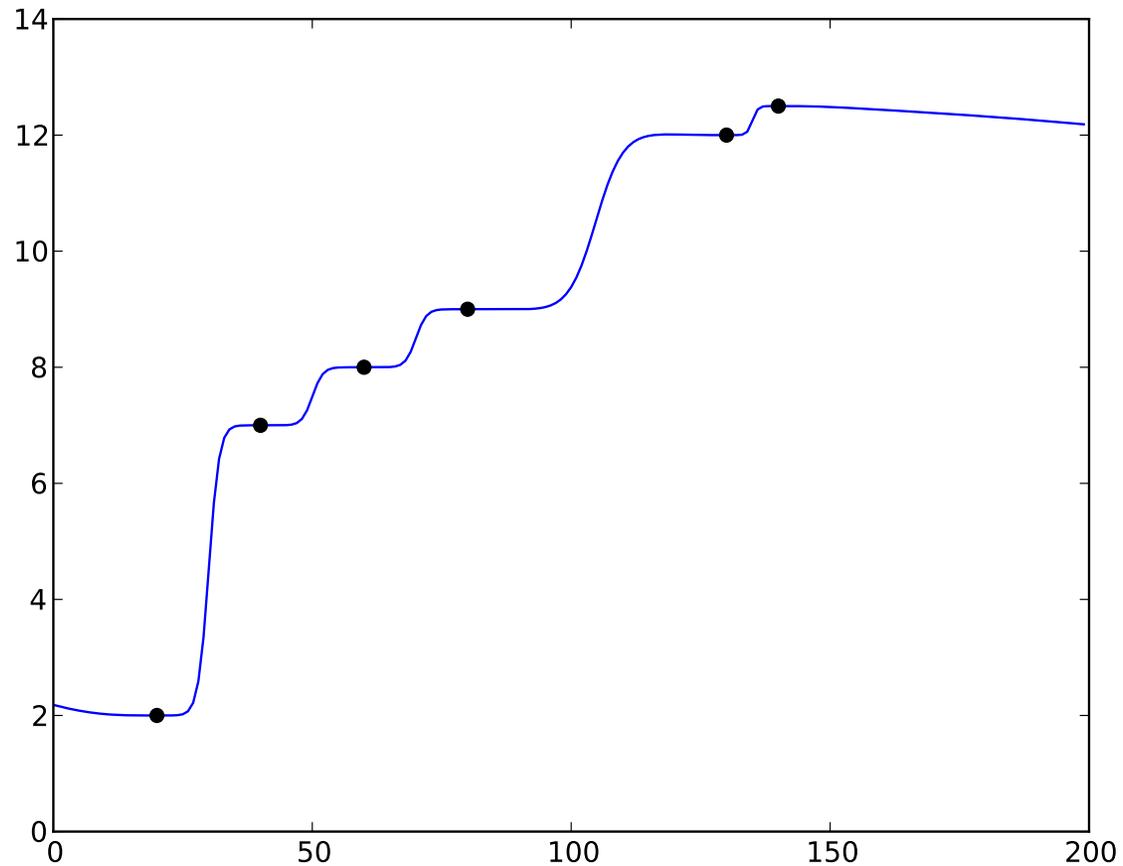
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# Kernel smoothing

## Nadaraya-Watson

$$\hat{d}(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{\sum R(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}_k) d_k}{\sum R(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}_k)}$$

Same as Shepard's if  $R(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}_k) \equiv \|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_k\|^{-p}$

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# Foley and Nielsen

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- Use Shepards to interpolate onto a regular grid
- Interpolate the grid with a regular spline
- Interpolate the residual with a second Shepards
- iterate...

T.A.Foley and G.M.Nielson Multivariate interpolation to scattered data using delta iteration. In E.W.Cheny, ed., *Approximation Theory II*, p.419-424, Academic Press NY 1980.



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- Fit a polynomial (or other basis) independently at each point
- Use weighted least squares, de-weight data that are far away
- For interpolation, weights must go to infinity at the data points



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$$\text{Synthesis: } \hat{d}(x) = \sum_0^m a_i^{(x)} x_k^i$$

Solve:

$$\min_{\mathbf{a}} \sum_k^n w_k^{(x)} \left( \sum_0^m a_i^{(x)} x_k^i - d_k \right)^2$$

$m$  - degree of polynomial

$$w_k^{(x)} = \frac{1}{\|x - x_k\|^p}$$



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$$\min_{\mathbf{a}} \sum_k^n w_k^{(x)} \left( d_k - \sum_0^m a_i^{(x)} x_k^i \right)^2$$

call  $x_k^i \equiv \mathbf{b}_k \in R^{m+1}$ , the polynomial basis evaluated at the  $k$ th point

$$= \min_{\mathbf{a}} \sum_k^n w_k^{(x)} \left( d_k - \mathbf{b}_k^T \mathbf{a} \right)^2$$

Matrix version:

$$\min_{\mathbf{a}} \|\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{d})\|^2$$

$\mathbf{W}$  is diagonal matrix with sqrt of  $w_k^{(x)}$ .



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$$\begin{aligned} \min_a \quad & \sum_k^n w_k^{(x)} (a \cdot 1 - d_k)^2 \\ \frac{d}{da} \left[ \sum_k^n w_k^{(x)} (a^2 - 2ad_k + d_k^2) \right] &= 0 \\ \frac{d}{da} \left[ \sum_k^n w_k a^2 - 2w_k a d_k + w_k d_k^2 \right] & \\ &= \sum_k^n 2w_k a - 2w_k d_k = 0 \\ a &= \frac{\sum_k^n w_k d_k}{\sum_k^n w_k} \\ \hat{d}(x) &= a \cdot 1 \end{aligned}$$

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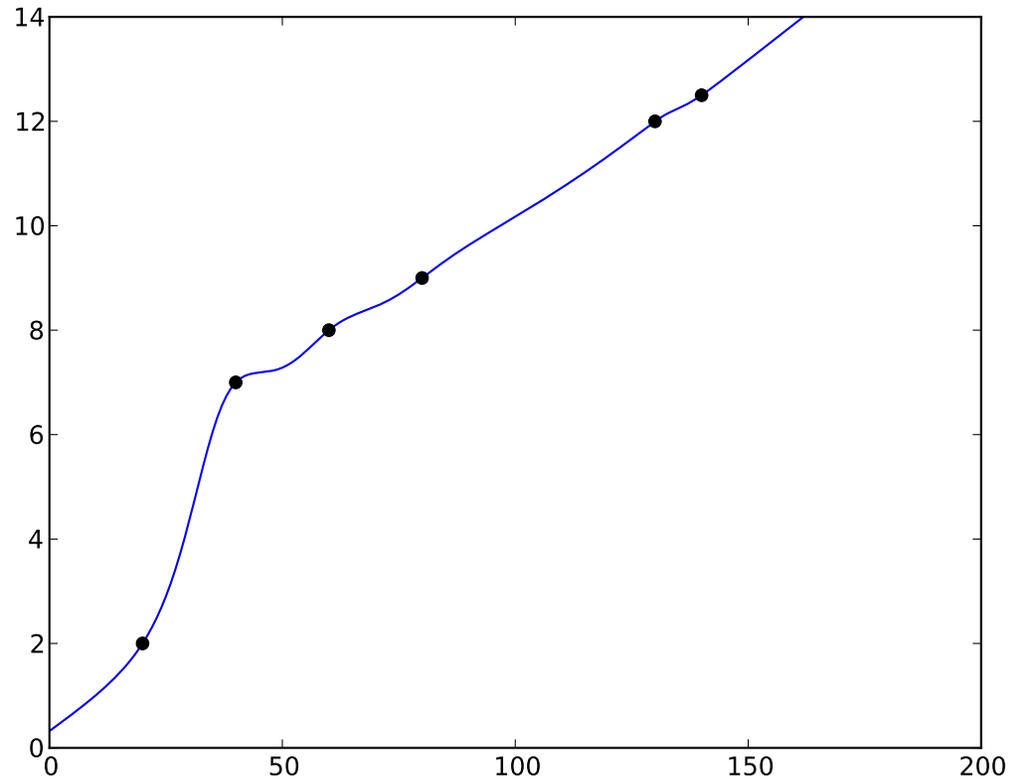
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$m = 1$ , i.e. local linear regression



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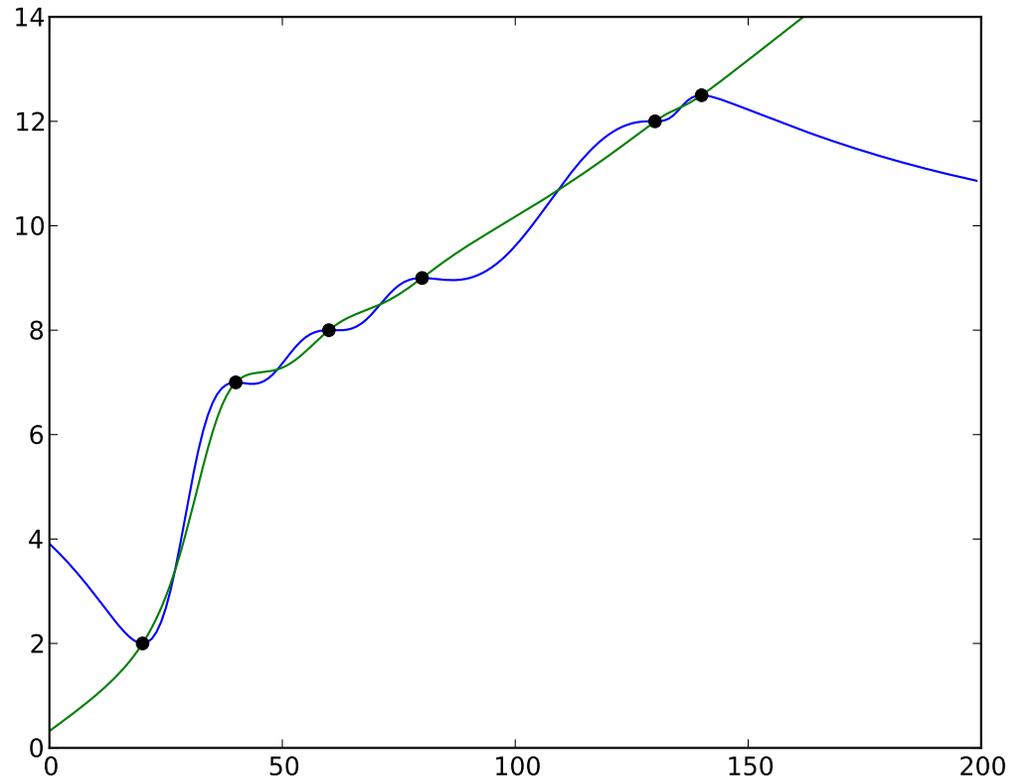
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$m = 0, 1$ , comparison



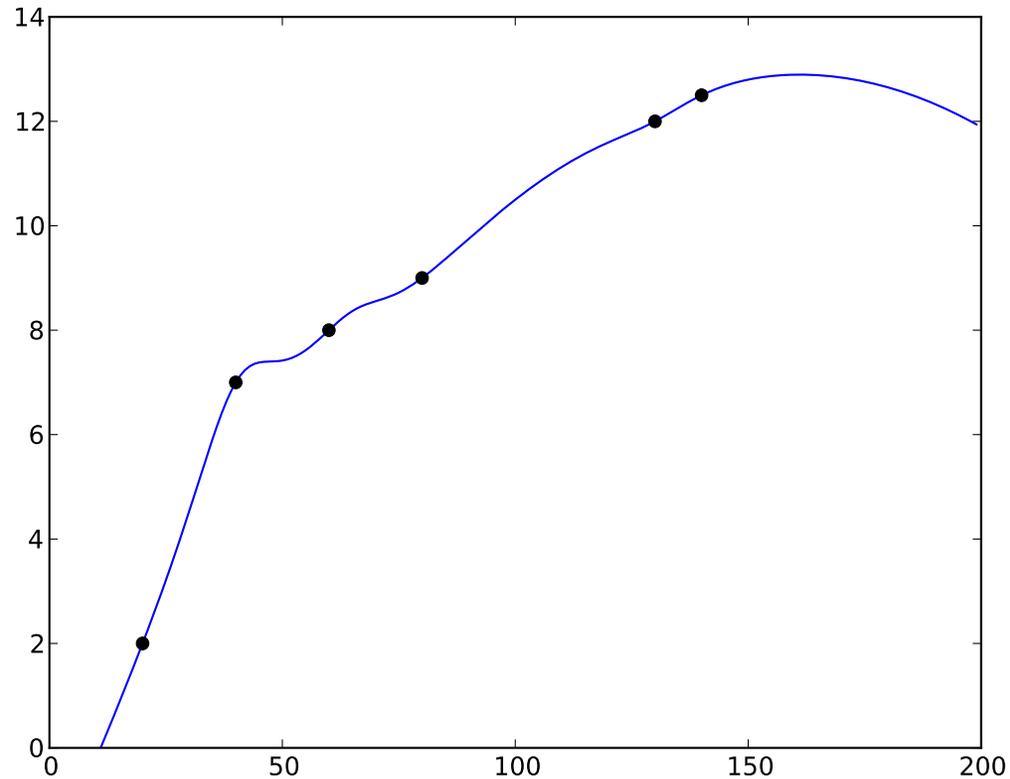
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$m = 2$ , i.e. local quadratic regression



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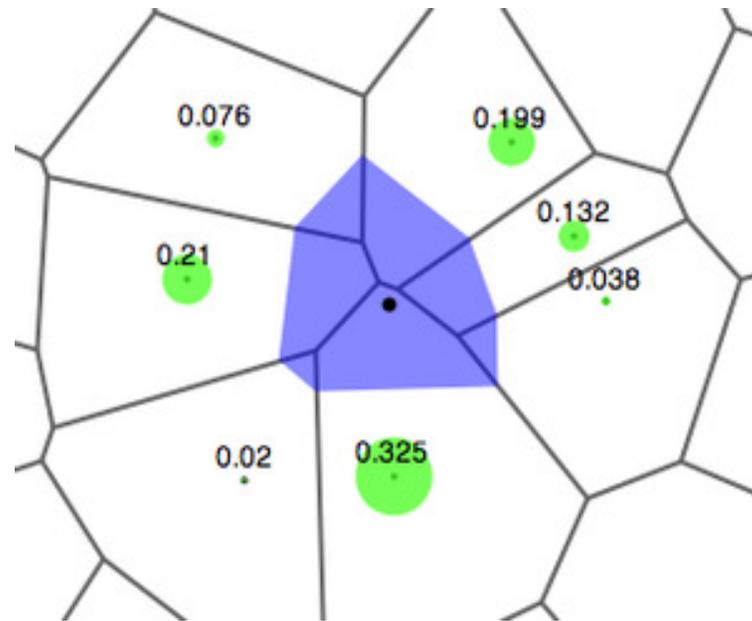
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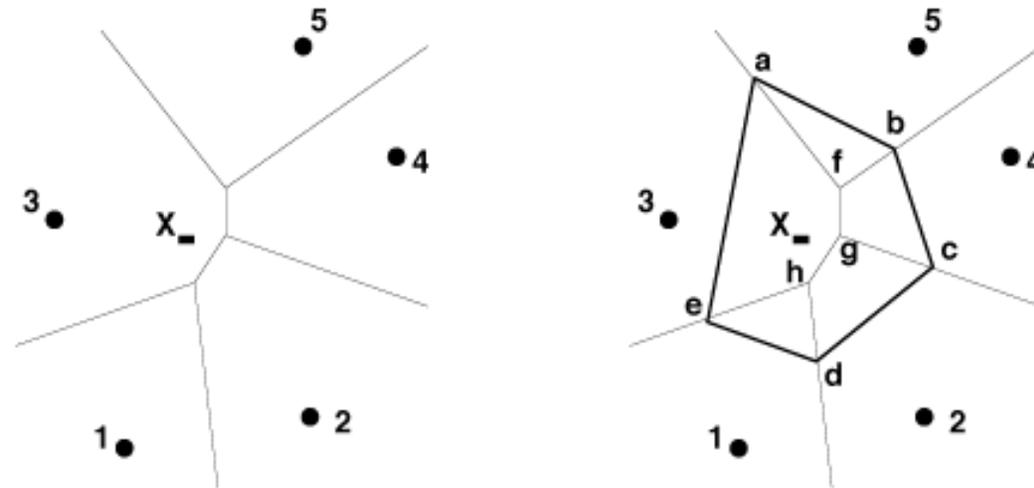


Image: N. Sukmar, Natural Neighbor Interpolation and the Natural Element Method (NEM)

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$$R(x, y) \text{ symmetric pos. def.}$$

$$R(x, y) = \phi(\|x - y\|)$$

$$\mathbf{R} \text{ matrix version}$$

$$R_{xy} \text{ element of matrix}$$

$R$  is kernel or covariance



# Gaussian Process regression

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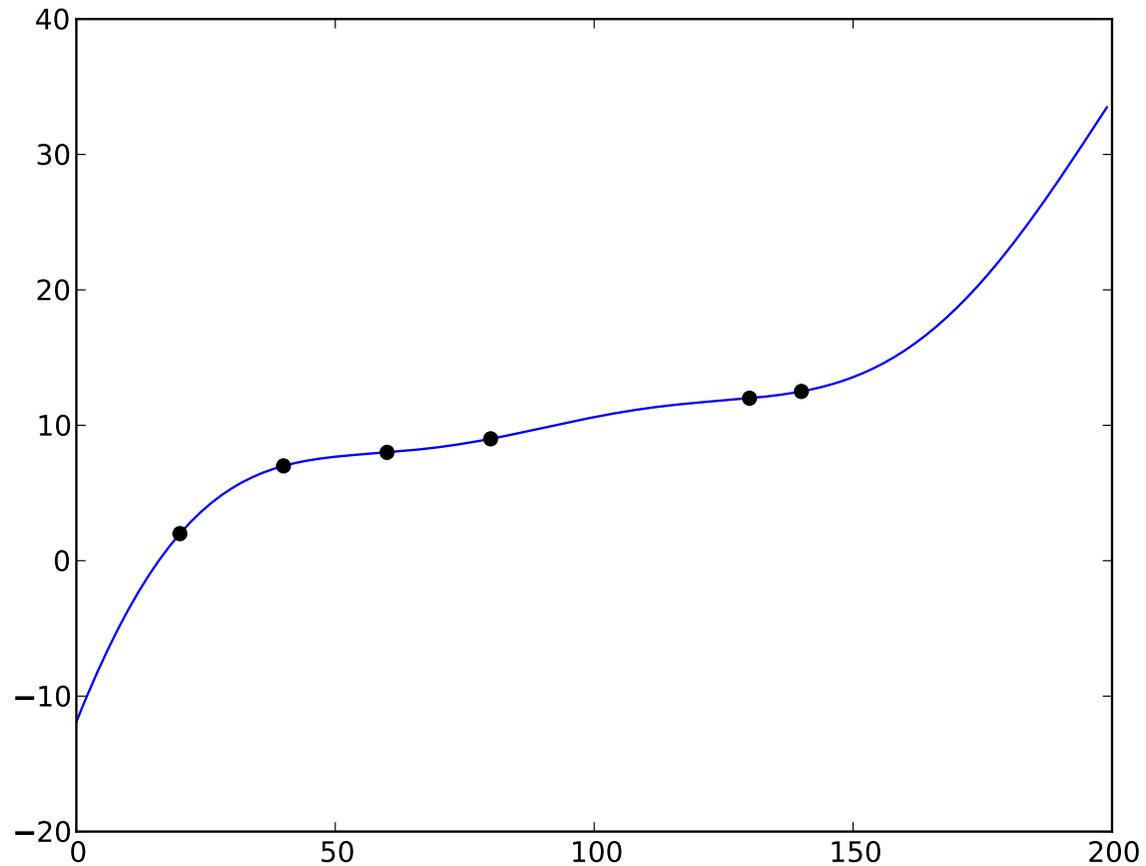
linear estimator	$\hat{d}_t = \sum w_k d_{t+k}$
orthogonality	$E[(d_t - \hat{d}_t)d_m] = 0$
	$E[d_t d_m] = E[\sum w_k d_{t+k} d_m]$
autocovariance	$E[d_t d_m] = R(t - m)$
linear system	$R(t - m) = \sum w_k R(t + k - m)$

Note no requirement on the actual spacing of the data. Related to the “Kriging” method in geology.



# Comparison: GaussianProcess

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# Laplace/Poisson Interpolation

i.e. “Laplacian Splines” Objective: Minimize a roughness measure, the integrated derivative (or gradient) squared:

$$\min_f \int \left( \frac{df(x)}{dx} \right)^2 dx$$

or

$$\min_f \iint \|\nabla f\|^2 ds$$

(subject to some constraints, to avoid a trivial solution)

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# function, operator

- function:  $f(x) \rightarrow y$
- operator:  $Mf \rightarrow g$ , e.g. Matrix-vector multiplication

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# “Null space of the operator”

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$$\min_f \int \left( \frac{df(x)}{dx} \right)^2 dx$$

Gives zero for  $f(x) = \text{any constant}$ .



# Laplace/Poisson: solution approaches

- direct matrix inverse
- Jacobi (because matrix is quite sparse)
- Jacobi variants (SOR)
- Multigrid

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# Laplace/Poisson: Discrete

Local viewpoint:

roughness

$$R = \int |\nabla u|^2 du \approx \sum (u_{k+1} - u_k)^2$$

for a particular k:

$$\frac{dR}{du_k} = \frac{d}{du_k} [(u_k - u_{k-1})^2 + (u_{k+1} - u_k)^2]$$

$$= 2(u_k - u_{k-1}) - 2(u_{k+1} - u_k) = 0$$

$$u_{k+1} - 2u_k + u_{k-1} = 0 \rightarrow \nabla^2 u = 0$$

Note 1,-2,1 pattern.

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# Laplace/Poisson Interpolation

Discrete/matrix viewpoint: Encode derivative operator in a matrix  $\mathbf{D}$

$$\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & & \\ & -1 & 1 & \\ & & \dots & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\min_f \int \left( \frac{df}{dx} \right)^2 \approx \min_{\mathbf{f}} \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}\|^2 = \min_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{f}$$

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$$\min_{\mathbf{f}} \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{f}$$

$$\frac{d}{d\mathbf{f}} (\mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{f}) = 2\mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{D} \mathbf{f} = 0$$

i.e.

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \nabla^2 = 0$$

$f = 0$  is a solution; last eigenvalue is zero, corresponds to a constant solution.



# Discrete Laplacian

## Notice

$$\mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 & & \\ & 1 & -2 & 1 & \\ & & \dots & & \end{bmatrix}$$

## Two-dimensional stencil

$$\mathbf{D}^T \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} & 1 & \\ 1 & -4 & 1 \\ & 1 & \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Jacobi iteration

## Local viewpoint

Jacobi iteration sets each  $f_k$  to the solution of its row of the matrix equation, independent of all other rows:

$$\sum A_{rc} f_c = b_r$$

$$\rightarrow A_{rk} f_k = b_k - \sum_{j \neq k} A_{rj} f_j$$

$$f_k \leftarrow \frac{b_k}{A_{kk}} - \sum_{j \neq k} A_{kj} / A_{kk} f_j$$

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# Jacobi iteration

apply to Laplace eqn

Jacobi iteration sets each  $f_k$  to the solution of its row of the matrix equation, independent of all other rows:

$$\dots f_{t-1} - 2f_t + f_{t+1} = 0$$

$$2f_t = f_{t-1} + f_{t+1}$$

$$f_k \leftarrow 0.5 * (f[k - 1] + f[k + 1])$$

In 2D,

$$f[y][x] = 0.25 * ( f[y+1][x] + f[y-1][x] + f[y][x-1] + f[y][x+1] )$$

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# But now let's interpolate

1D case, say  $f_3$  is known. Three eqns involve  $f_3$ . Subtract (a multiple of)  $f_3$  from both sides of these equations:

$$f_1 - 2f_2 + f_3 = 0 \rightarrow f_1 - 2f_2 + 0 = -f_3$$

$$f_2 - 2f_3 + f_4 = 0 \rightarrow f_2 + 0 + f_4 = 2f_3$$

$$f_3 - 2f_4 + f_5 = 0 \rightarrow 0 - 2f_4 + f_5 = -f_3$$

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & \\ & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ & & 0 & -2 \\ & & \dots & \end{bmatrix} \text{one column is zeroed}$$

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# Multigrid inpainting

Program demonstration.

Remove dog's spots. Combine Wiener filtering to separate fur from luminance, with Laplace interpolation to adjust the luminance.

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# Applications: Spot Removal

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From: Lifting Detail from Darkness, *SIGGRAPH 2001*



# Recovered fur: detail

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# Comparison: Laplace

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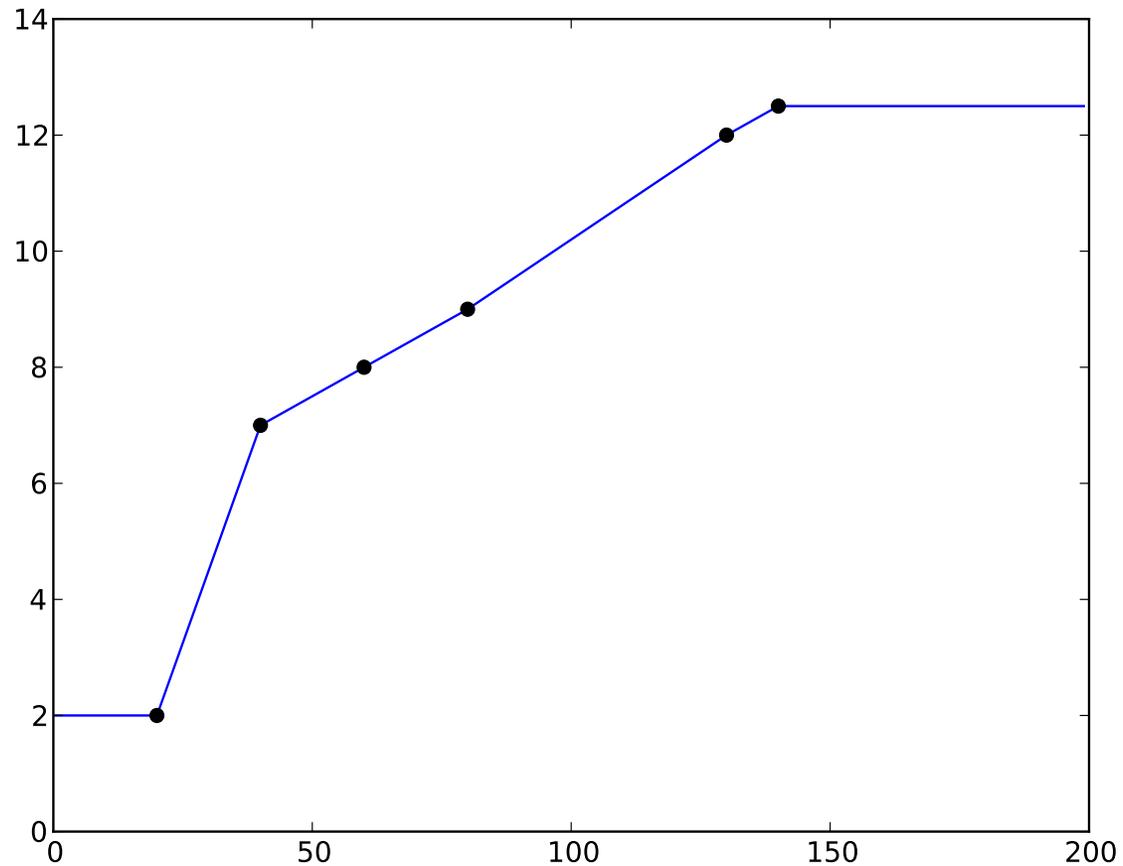
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# Thin plate spline

Minimize the integrated second derivative squared  
(approximate curvature)

$$\min_f \int \left( \frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} \right)^2 dx$$

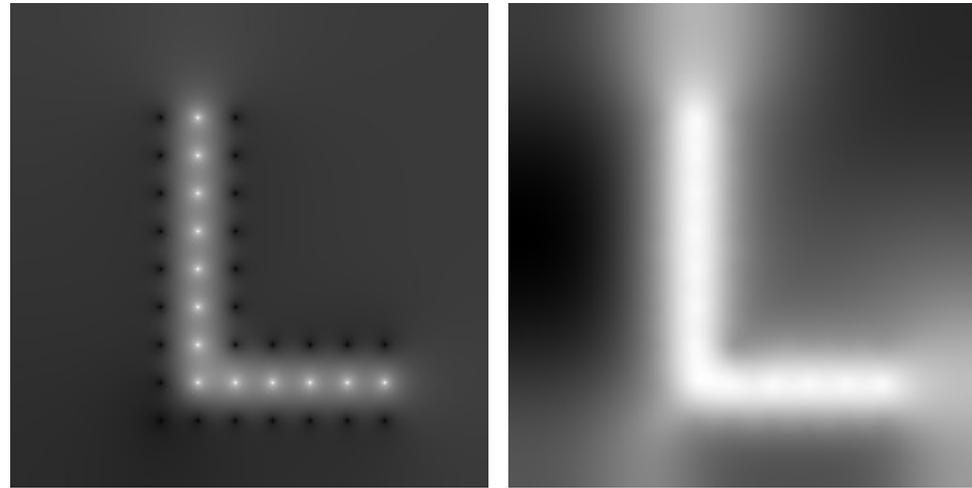
Null space:  $f = ax + c$

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# Membrane vs. Thin Plate

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Left - membrane interpolation, right - thin plate.



# Comparison: Cubic

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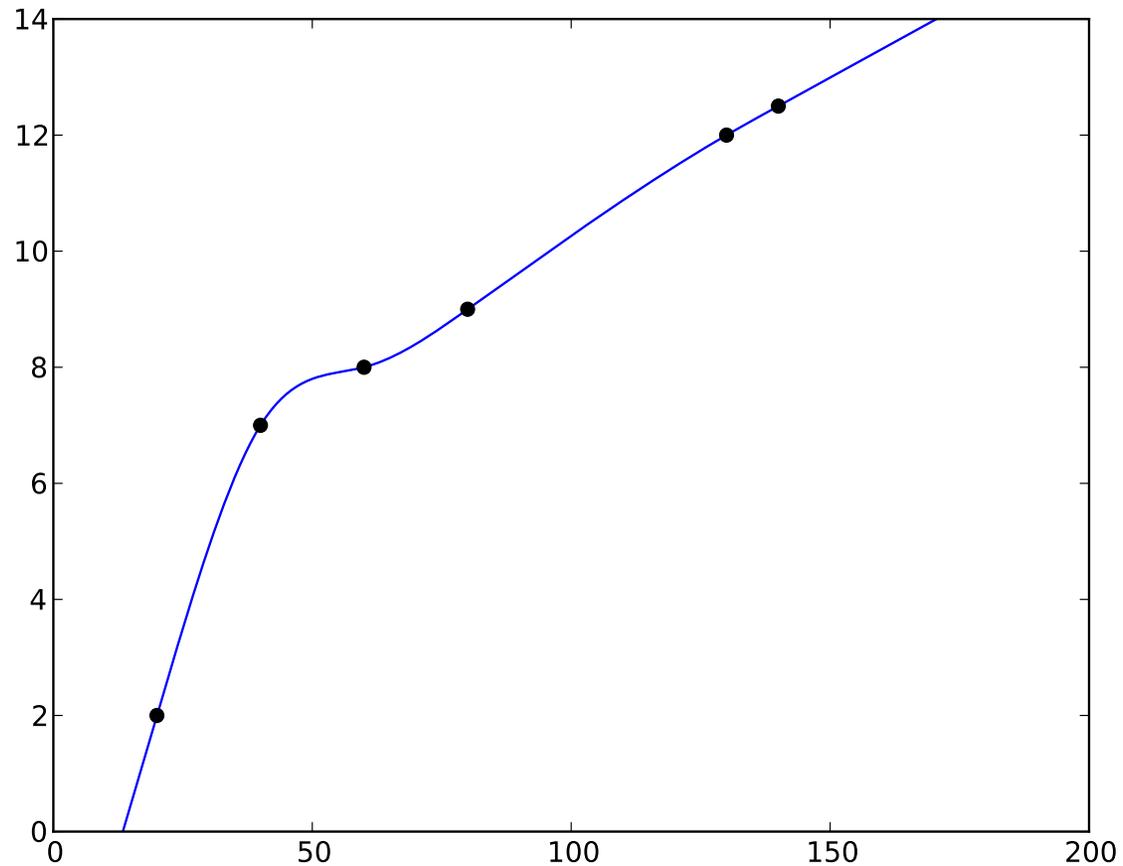
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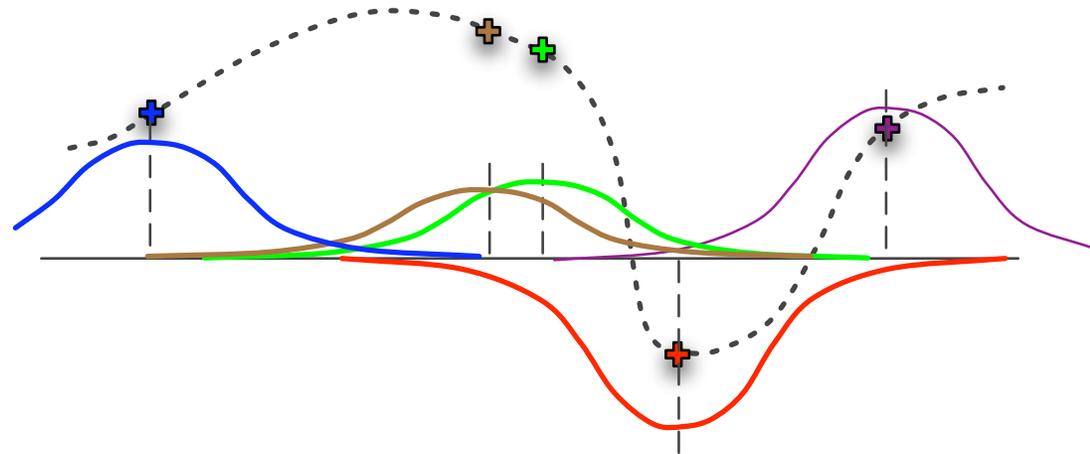




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$$\hat{d}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_k^N w_k R(\|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_k\|)$$



Data at arbitrary (irregularly spaced) locations can be interpolated with a weighted sum of radial functions situated at each data point.



# Radial Basis Functions: History

- Broomhead & Lowe, 1988
- Werntges, ICNN 1993
- in Graphics: 1999-2001

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# Radial Basis Functions: Theory

- Micchelli - for a large class of functions, the RBF matrix is non-singular

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- *any* monotonic function can be used?!

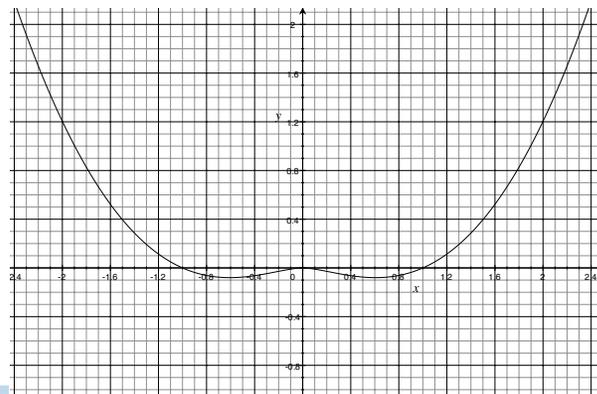
- common choices:

- ◆ Gaussian  $R(r) = \exp(-r^2/\sigma^2)$

- ◆ Thin plate spline  $R(r) = r^2 \log r$

- ◆ Hardy multiquadratic  $R(r) = \sqrt{(r^2 + c^2)}, c > 0$

Notice: the last two *increase* as a function of radius





# Comparison: RBF-Gauss

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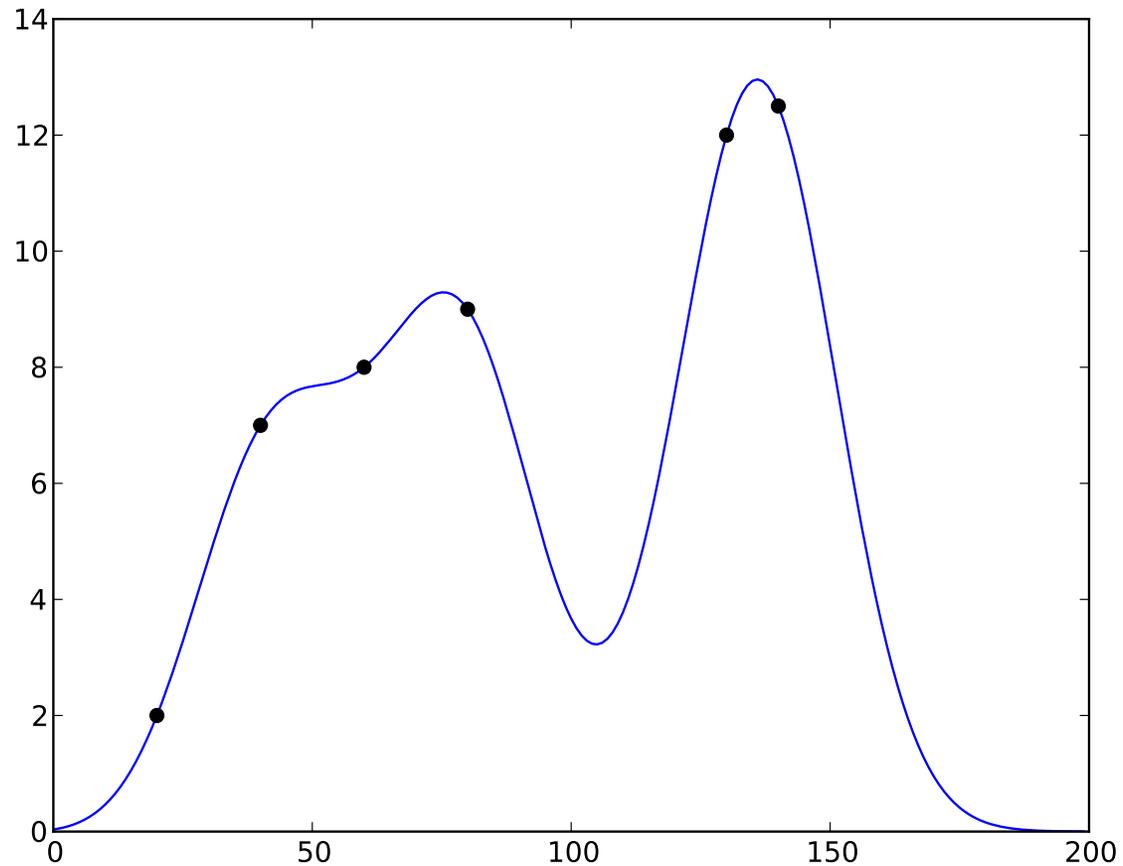
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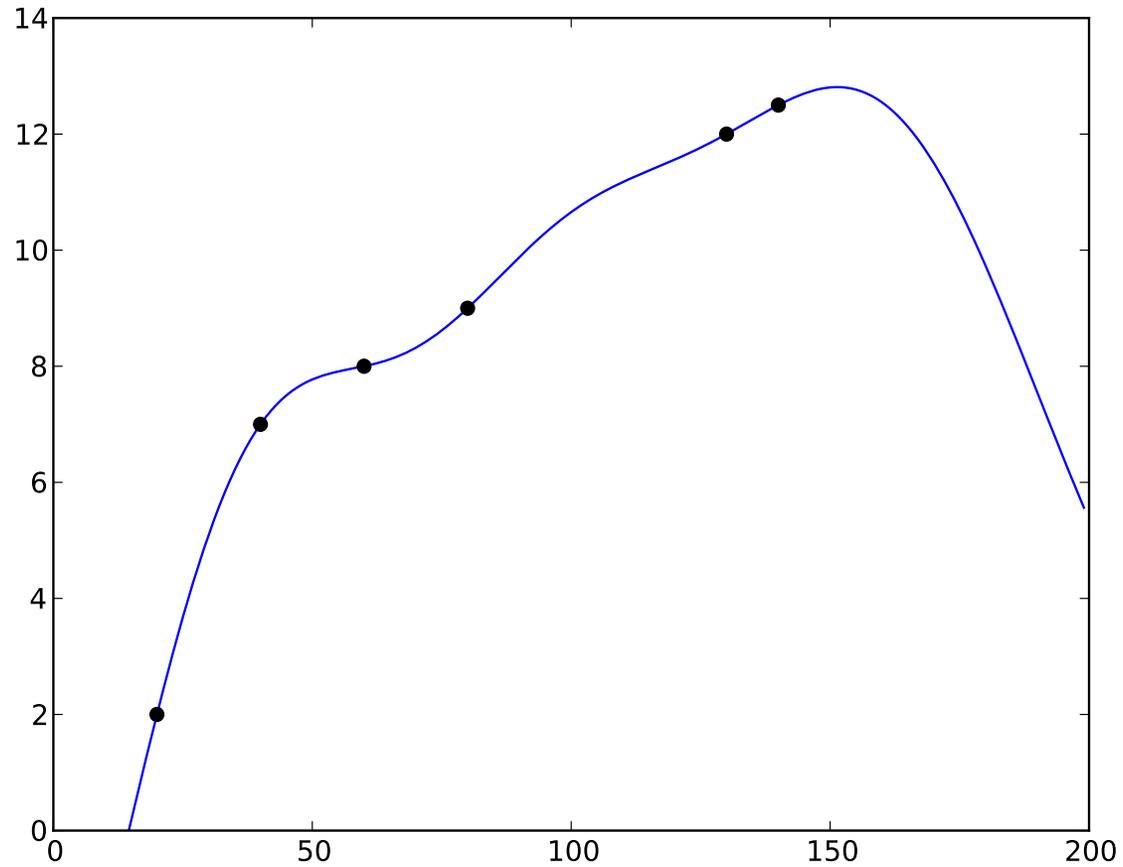
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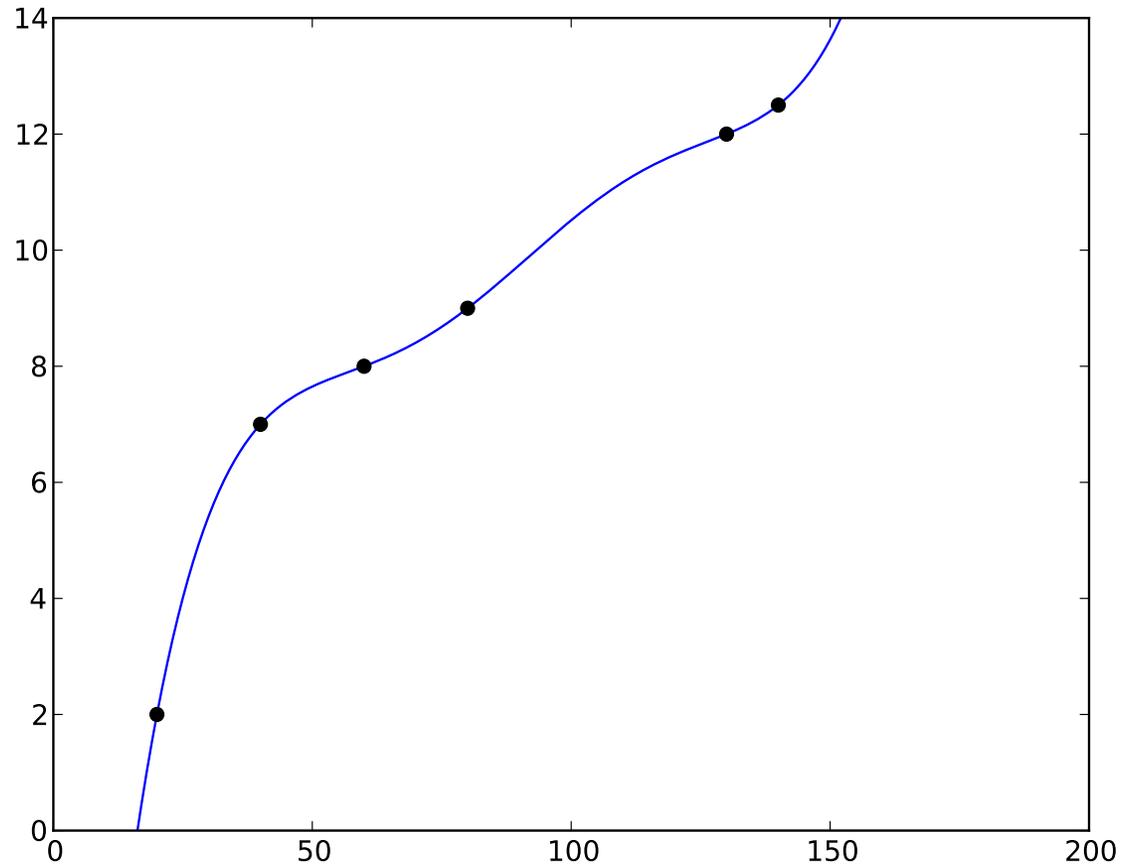
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$$\hat{d}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_k^N w_k R(\|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_k\|)$$

$$e = \|\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w}\|^2$$

$$e = (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w})^T (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w})$$

$$\frac{de}{d\mathbf{w}} = 0 = -\mathbf{R}^T (\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{R}\mathbf{w})$$

$$\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{d}$$



# Radial Basis Functions

Euclidean invariant  
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Interpolation  
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Shepard's  $p = 1$   
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Shepard's  $p = 2$   
Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 5$   
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$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{1,1} & R_{1,2} & R_{1,3} & \cdots \\ R_{2,1} & R_{2,2} & \cdots & \\ R_{3,1} & \cdots & & \\ \vdots & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ d_3 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$



# RBF: multidimensional interpolation

Euclidean invariant  
Shepard  
Interpolation

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 1$

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 2$

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 5$

Kernel smoothing  
Foley and Nielsen

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$$\mathbf{w}_x = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}_x$$

$$\mathbf{w}_y = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}_y$$

$$\mathbf{w}_z = \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{d}_z$$

Matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  is in common to all dimensions



# Normalized Radial Basis Function

$$\mathbf{R}_i() \leftarrow \frac{\mathbf{R}(\|x - x_i\|)}{\sum_j \mathbf{R}(\|x - x_j\|)}$$

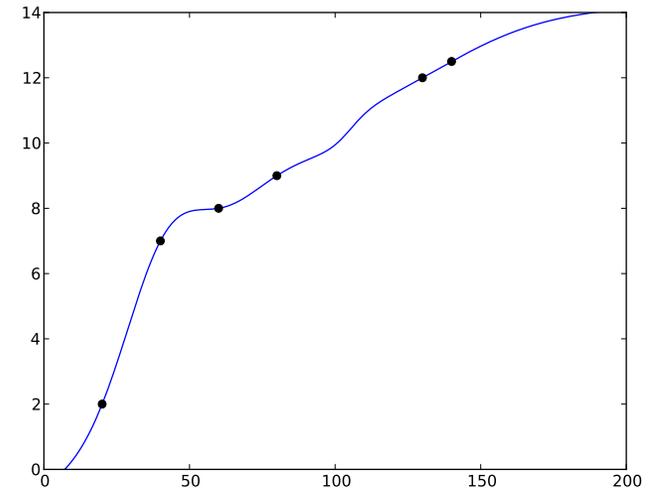
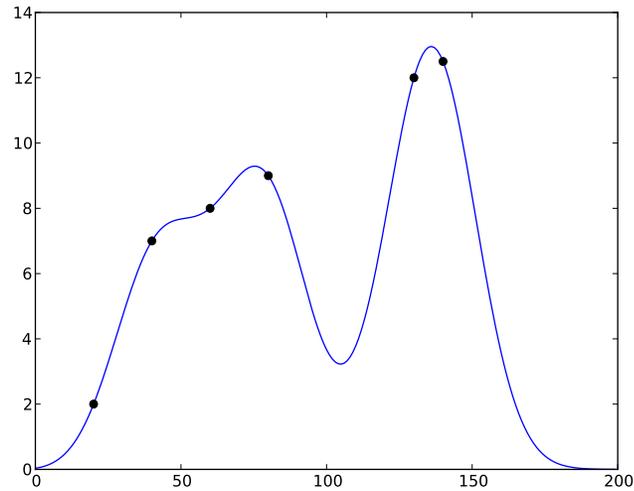
- removes the “dips” that result from too-narrow  $\sigma$
- i.e. somewhat less sensitive to choice of  $\sigma$
- (for decaying kernel), far from the data, closest point dominates

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# Normalized Radial Basis Function

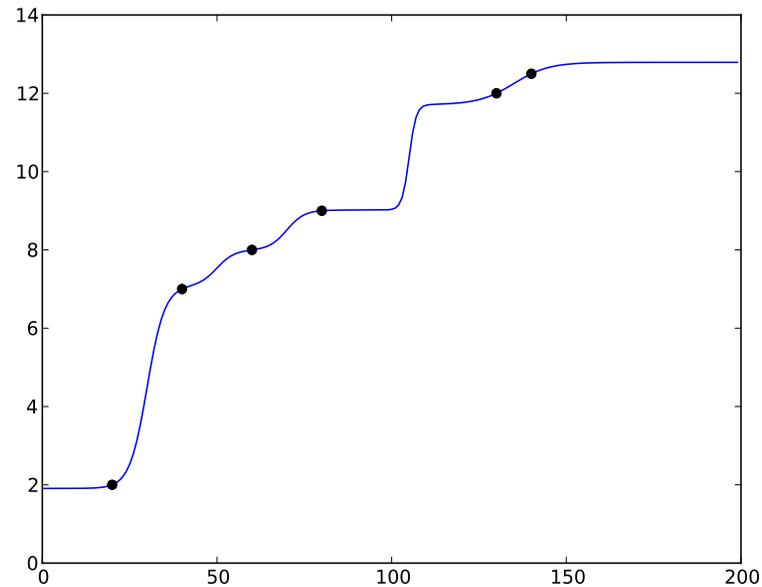
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# insensitive to sigma, up to a point...

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# Comparison: Shepard's $p = 1$

Euclidean invariant  
Shepard  
Interpolation

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 1$

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 2$

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 5$

Kernel smoothing

Foley and Nielsen

Moving Least  
Squares

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MLS = Shepard's  
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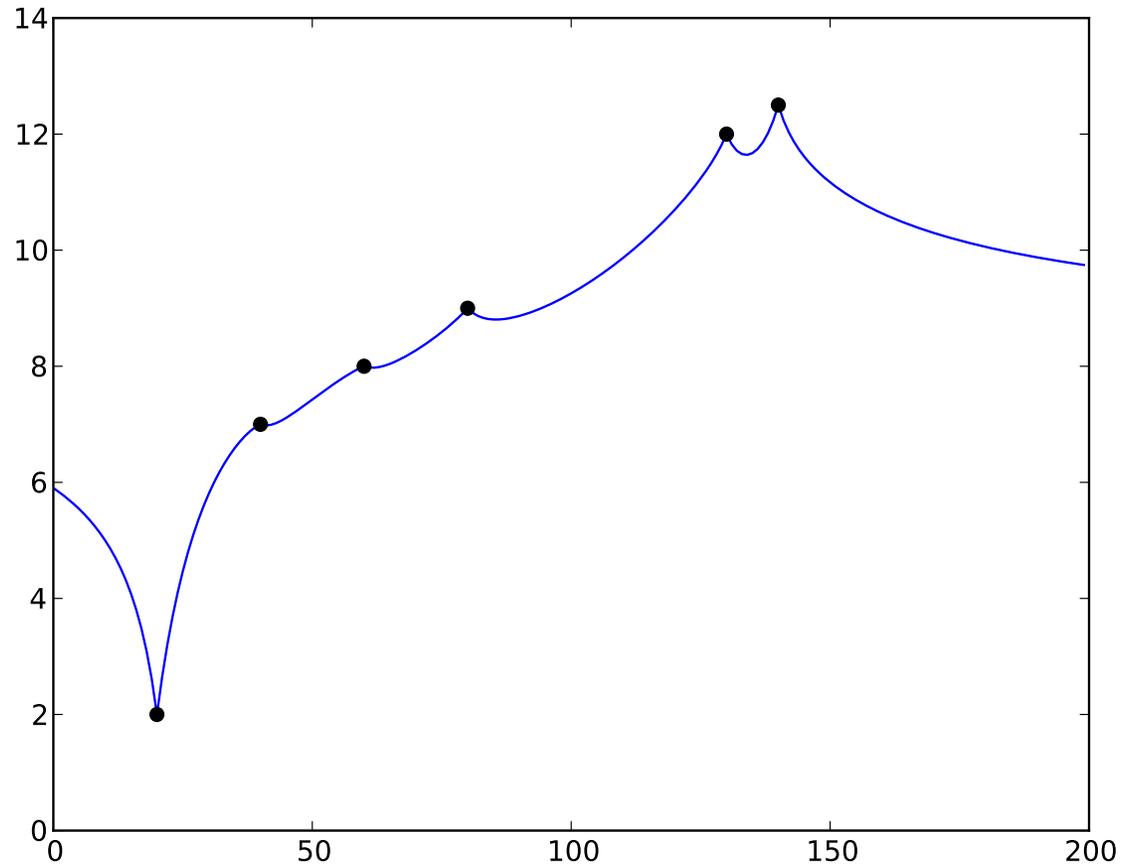
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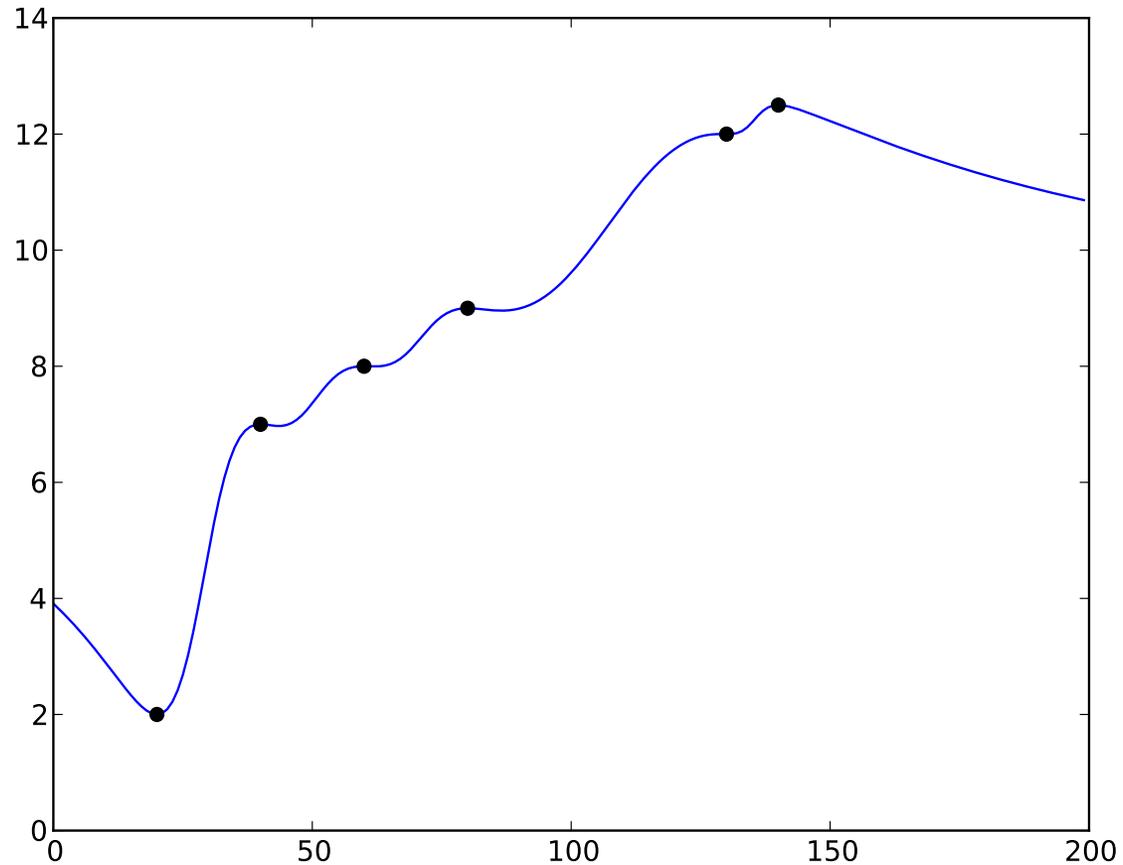
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# Comparison: Shepard's $p = 2$

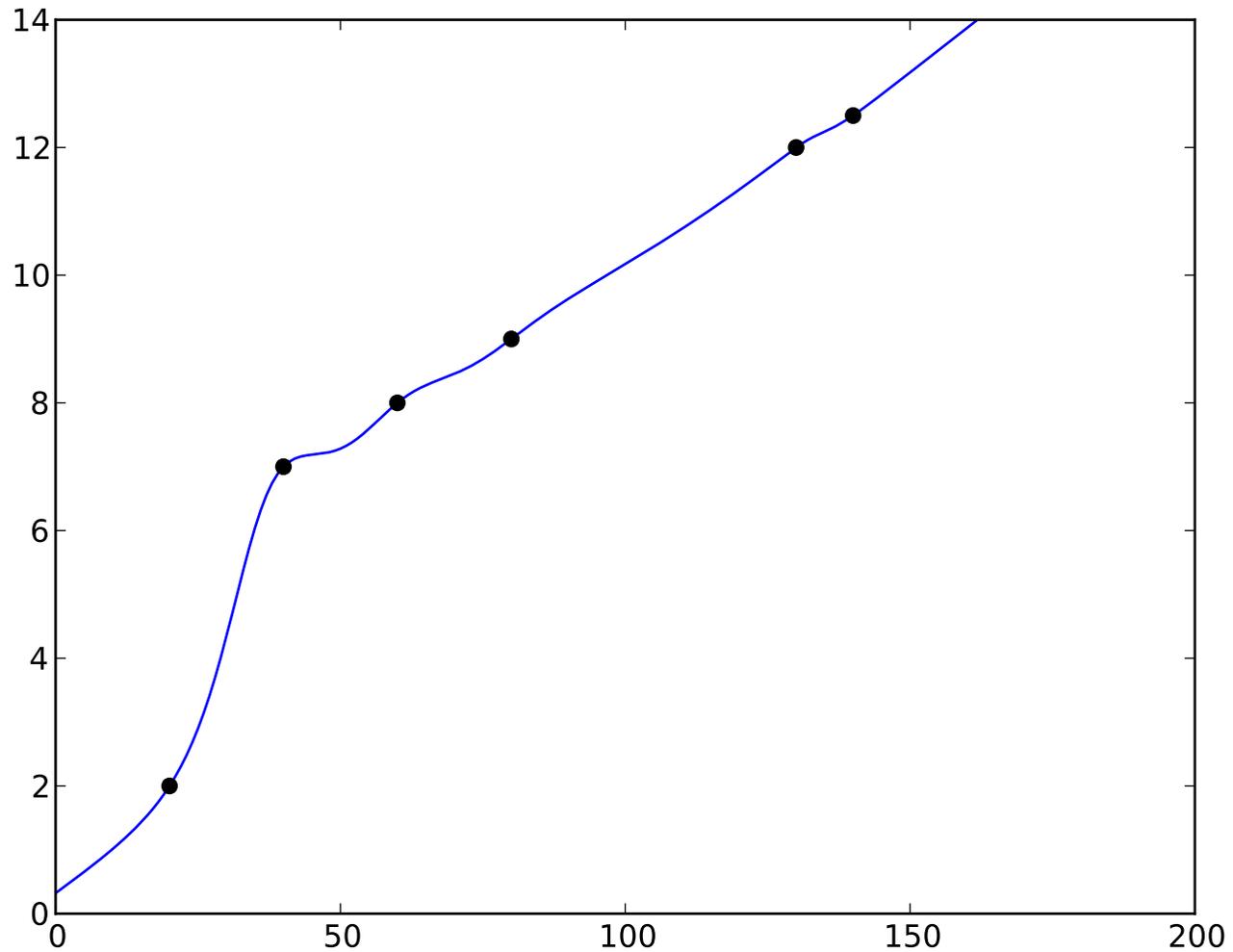
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Kernel smoothing  
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# Comparison: Moving Least Squares, linear polynomial

Euclidean invariant  
Shepard  
Interpolation  
Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 1$   
Comparison:  
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Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 5$   
Kernel smoothing  
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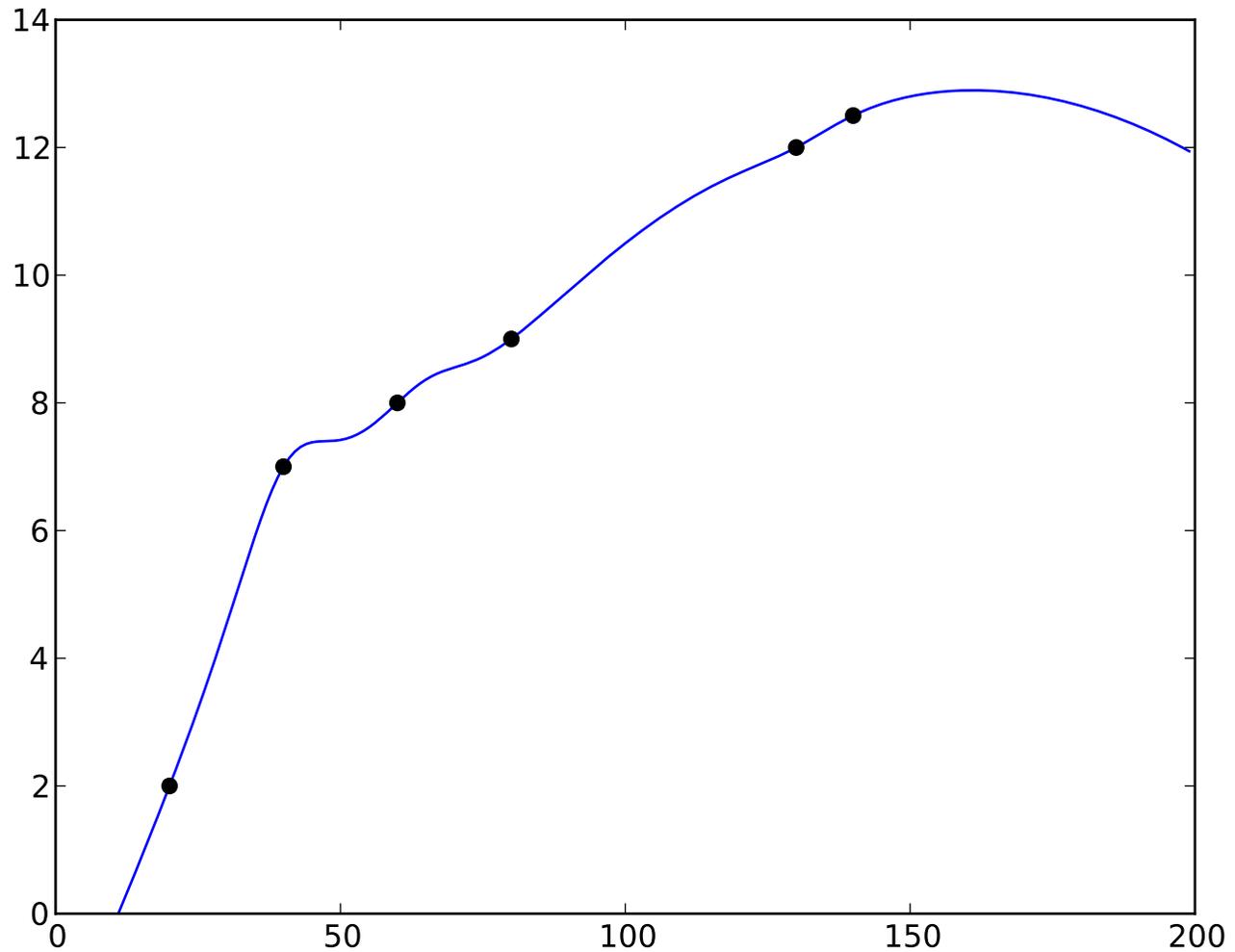


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Gaussian Process  
regression  
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# Comparison: Moving Least Squares, quadratic polynomial

Euclidean invariant  
Shepard  
Interpolation  
Comparison:  
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Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 2$   
Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 5$   
Kernel smoothing  
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Moving Least  
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MLS = Shepard's  
when  $m = 0$   
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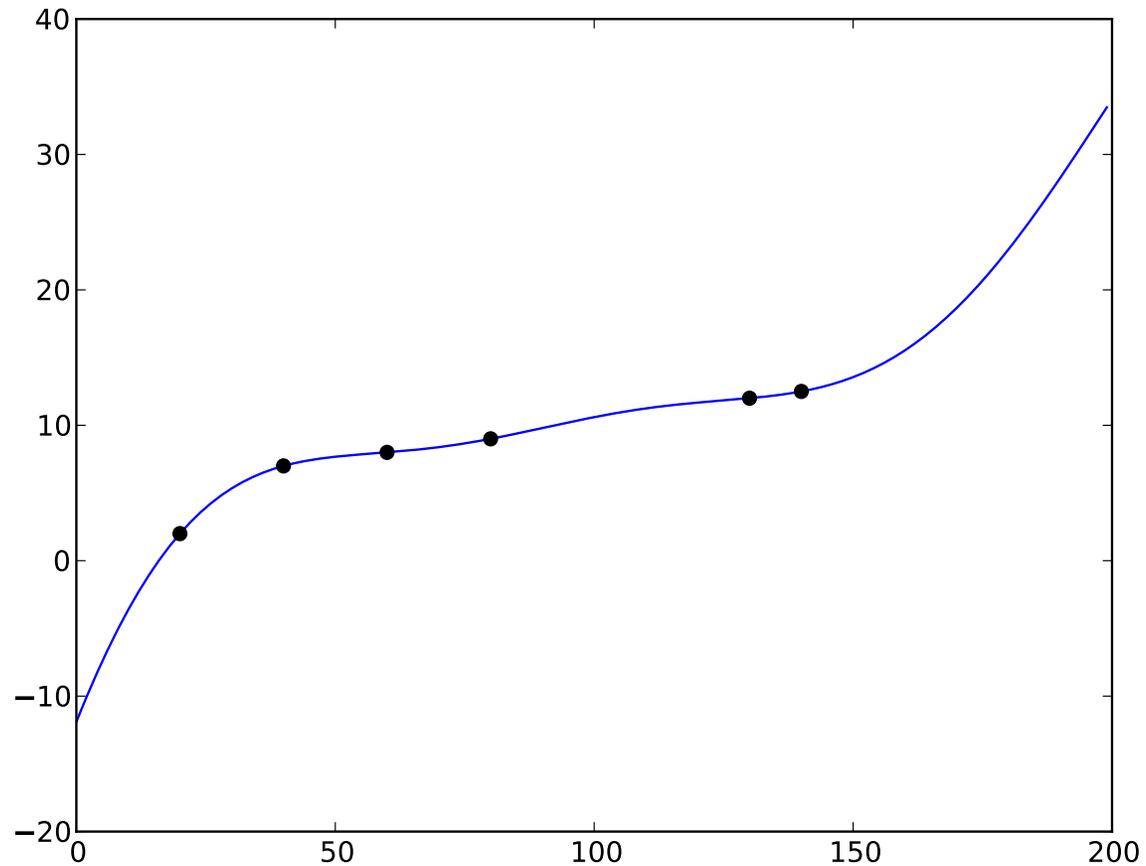


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# Comparison: GaussianProcess

Euclidean invariant  
Shepard  
Interpolation  
Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 1$   
Comparison:  
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Kernel smoothing  
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# Comparison: Laplace

Euclidean invariant  
Shepard  
Interpolation

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 1$

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 2$

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 5$

Kernel smoothing

Foley and Nielsen

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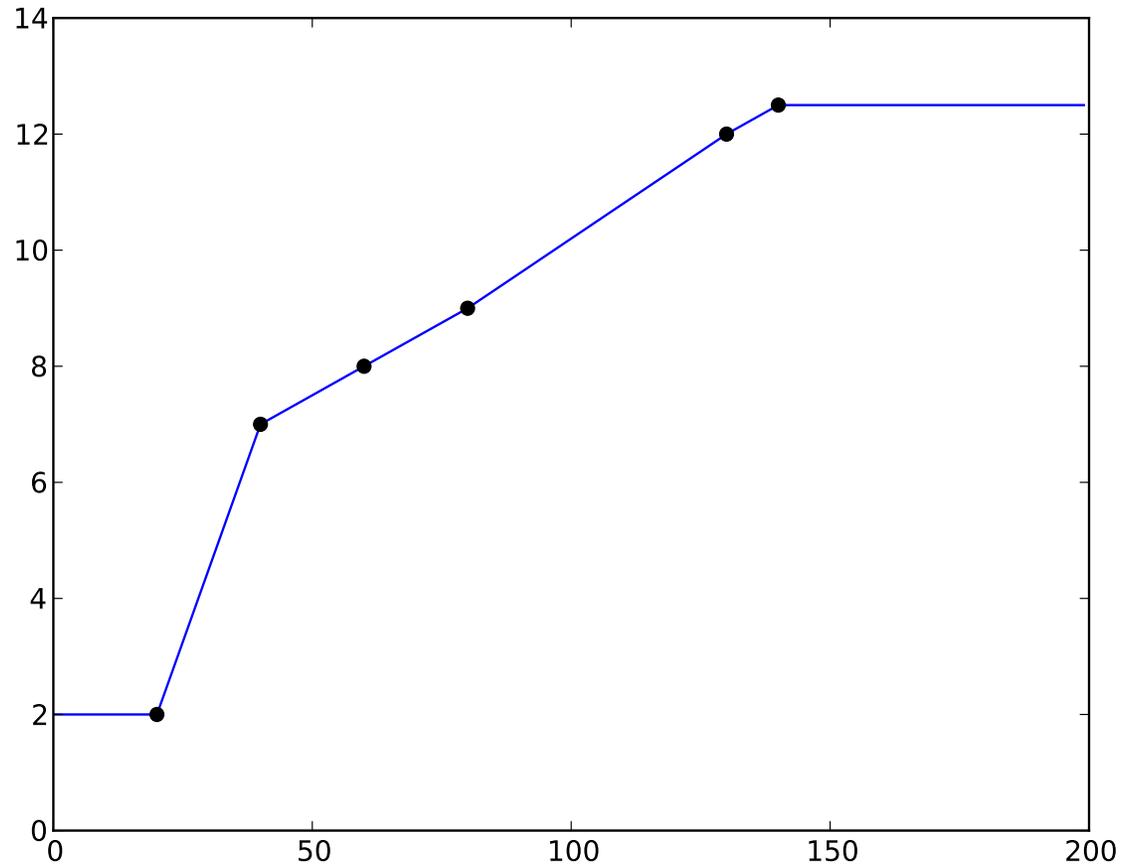
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# Comparison: RBF-Gauss

Euclidean invariant  
Shepard  
Interpolation

Comparison:  
Shepard's  $p = 1$

Comparison:  
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Comparison:  
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Kernel smoothing

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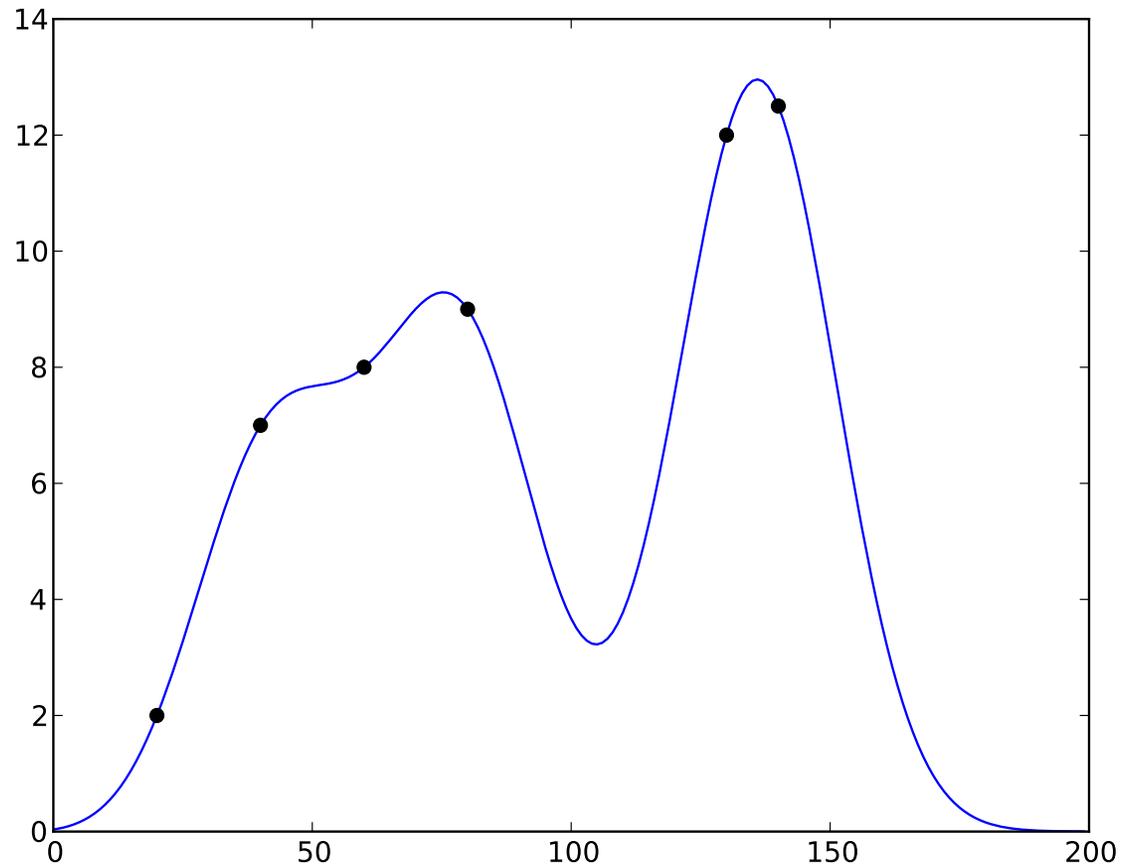
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# Comparison: RBF-Gauss

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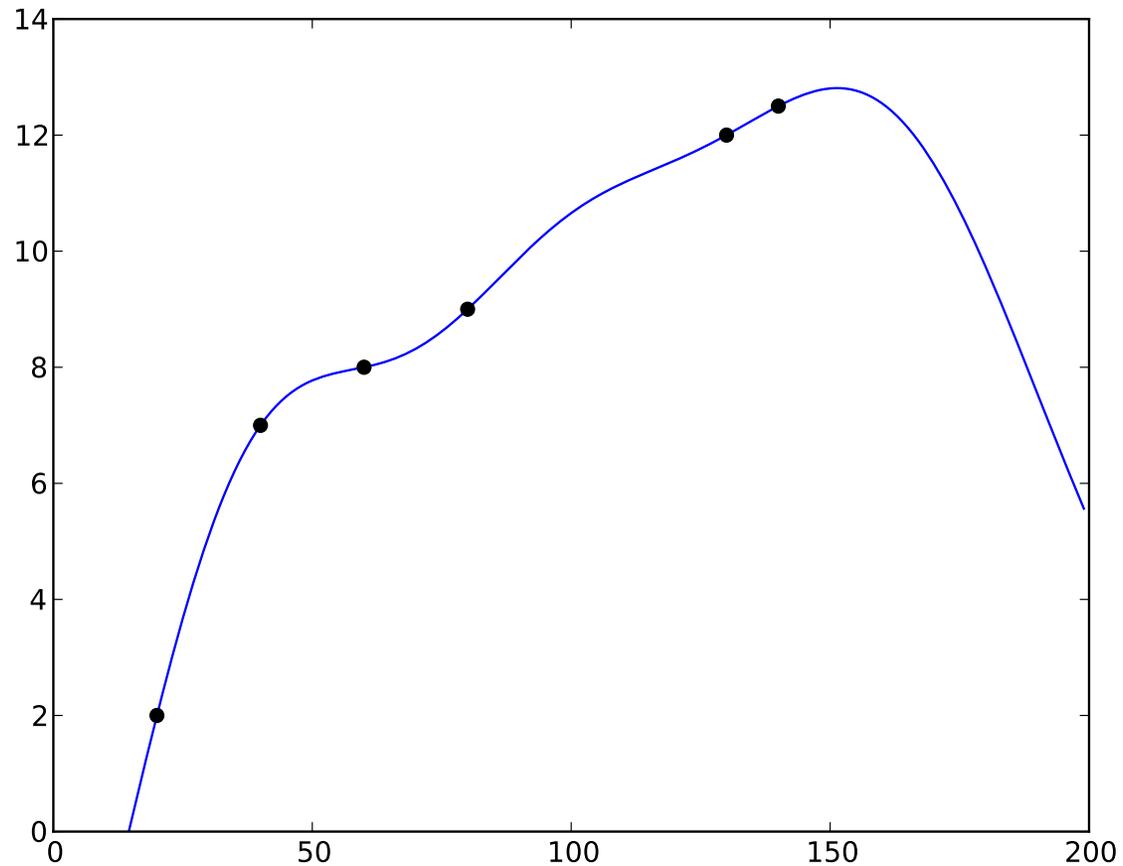
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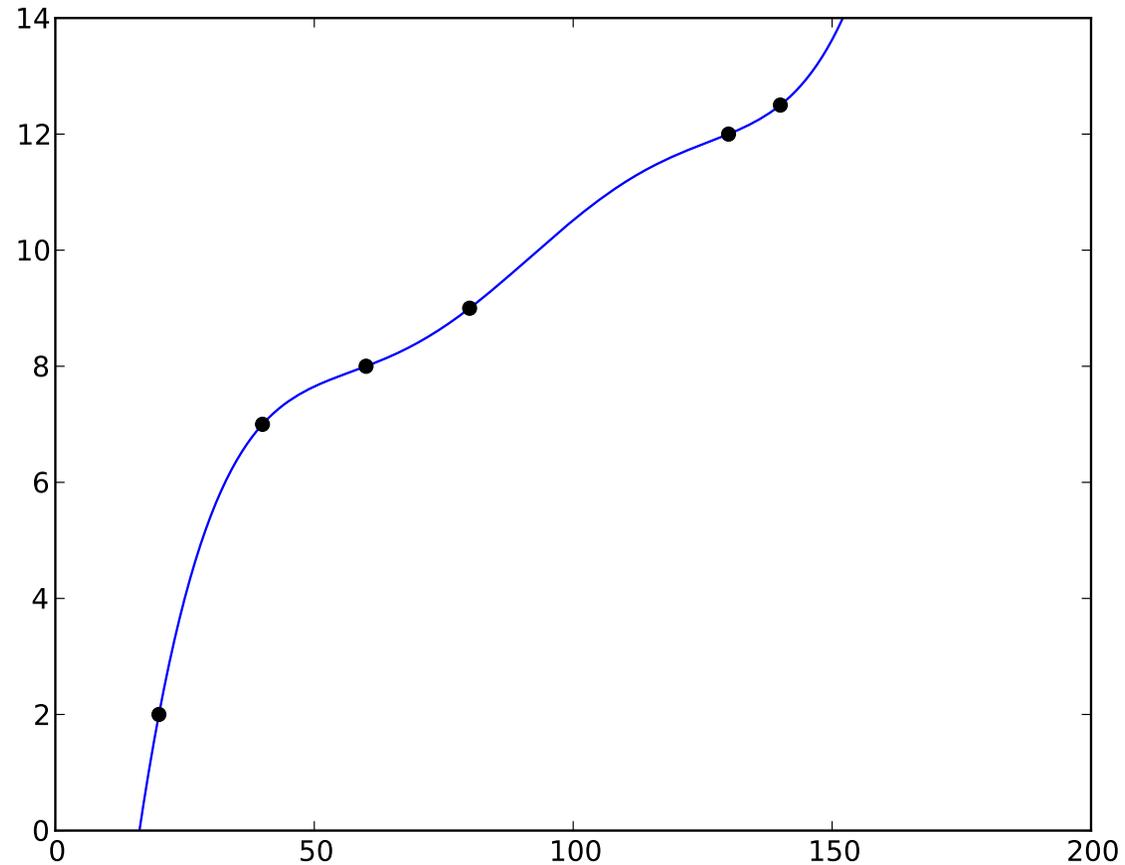
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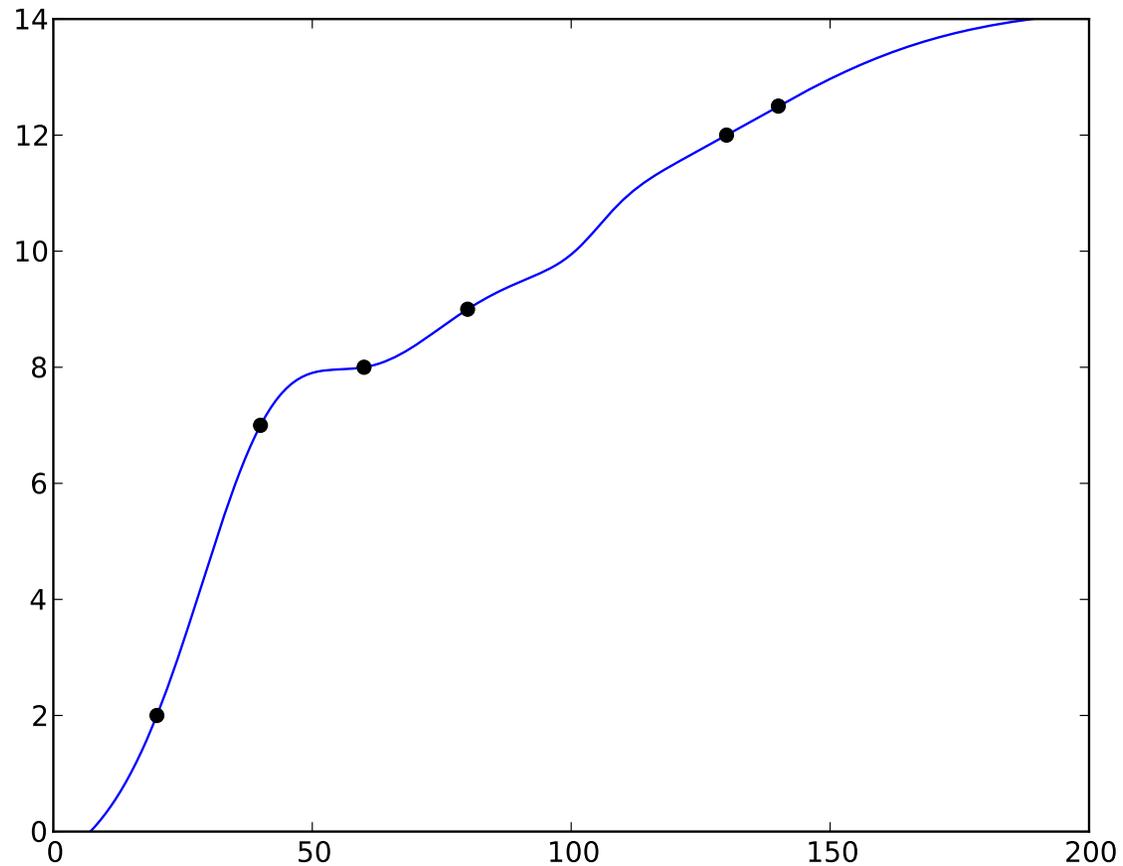
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# Comparison: Normalized RBF-Gauss

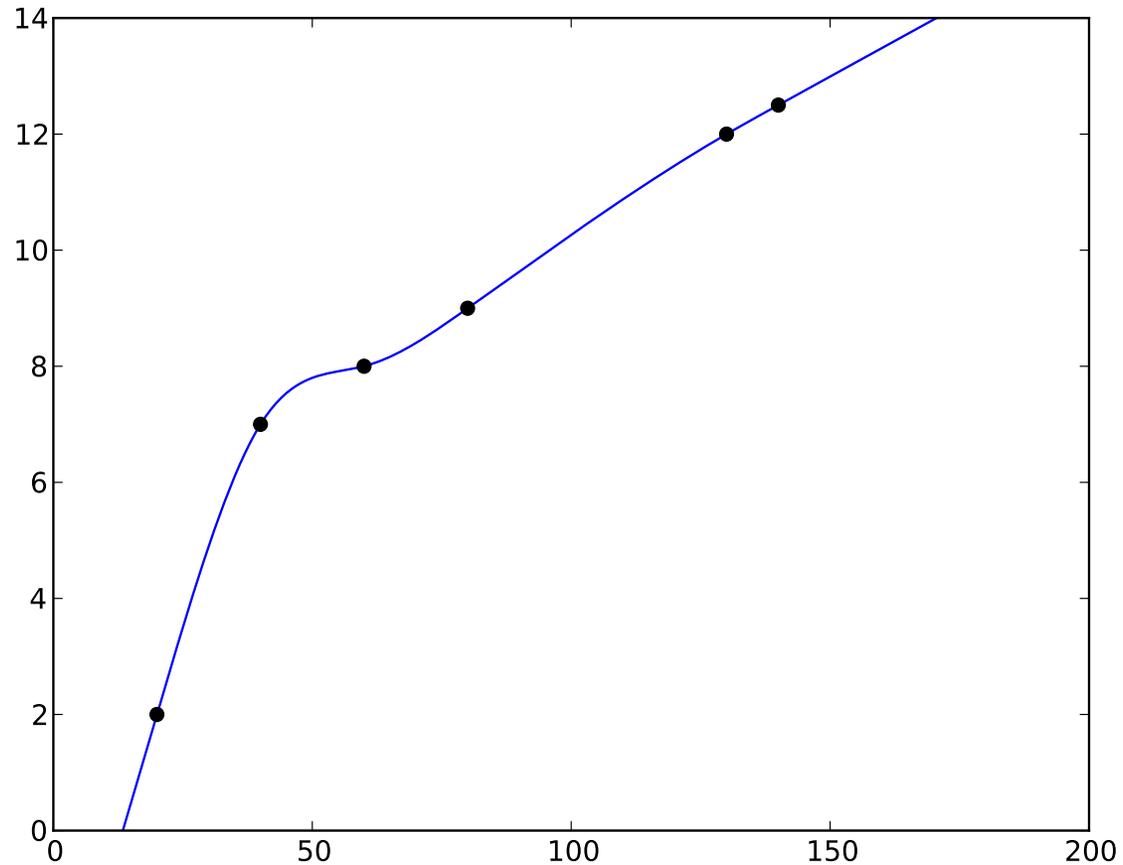
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# Comparison: Cubic (i.e. RBF-Thin plate)

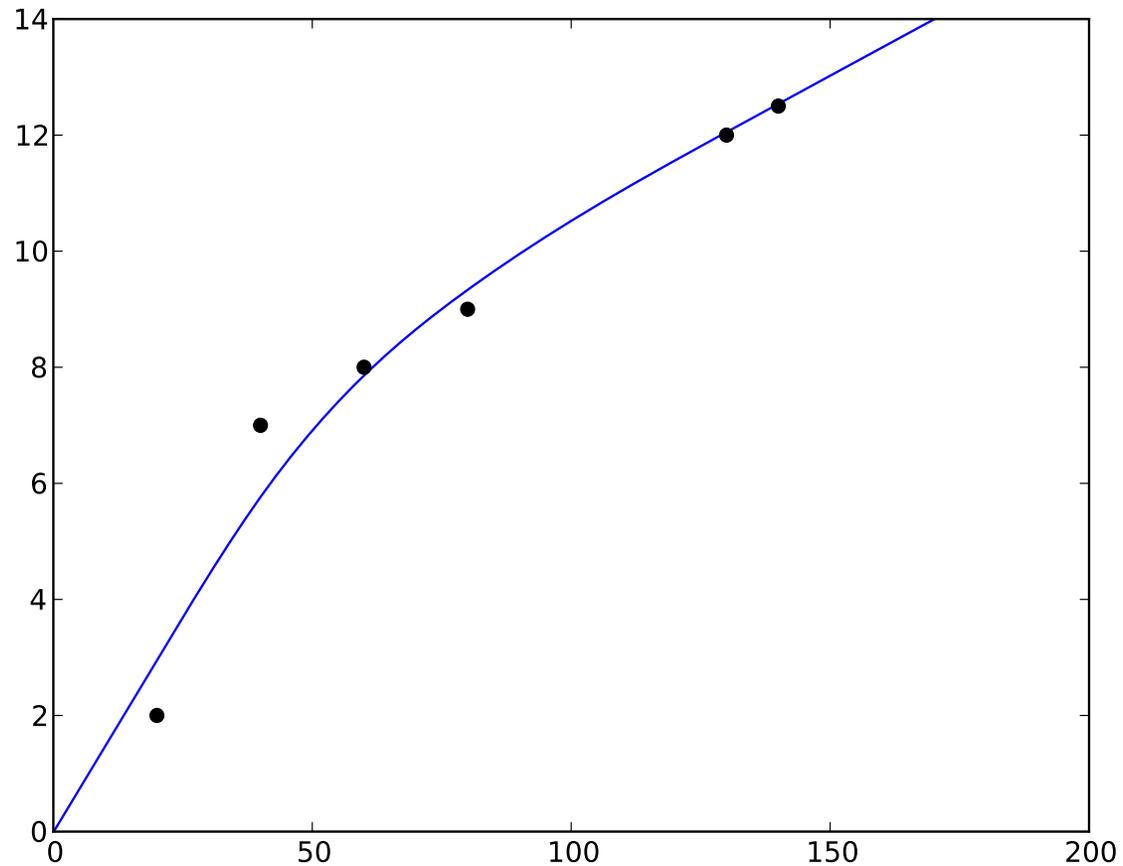
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# Comparison: Cubic + regularization

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# Approximation rather than interpolation

Find  $\mathbf{w}$  to minimize  $(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{b})^T(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{b})$ . If the training points are very close together, the corresponding columns of  $\mathbf{R}$  are nearly parallel. Difficult to control if points are chosen by a user. Add a term to keep the weights small:  $\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{minimize} \quad & (\mathbf{R}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{b})^T(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{b}) + \lambda\mathbf{w}^T\mathbf{w} \\ & \mathbf{R}^T(\mathbf{R}\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{b}) + 2\lambda\mathbf{w} = 0 \\ & \mathbf{R}^T\mathbf{R}\mathbf{w} + 2\lambda\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{R}^T\mathbf{b} \\ & (\mathbf{R}^T\mathbf{R} + 2\lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{R}^T\mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{R}^T\mathbf{R} + 2\lambda\mathbf{I})^{-1}\mathbf{R}^T\mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

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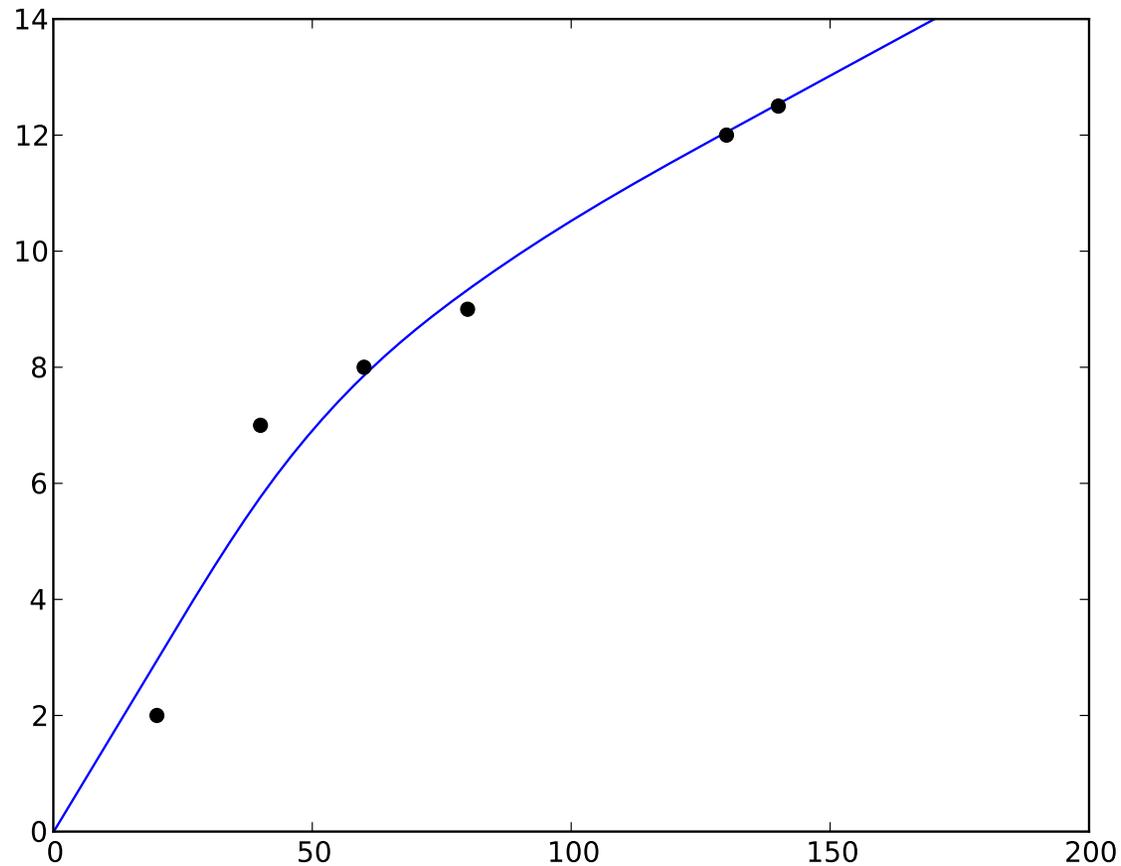
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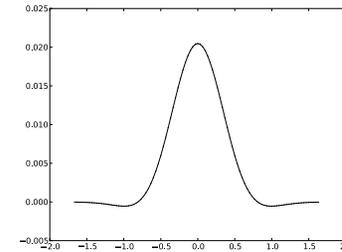
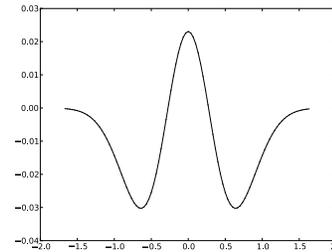
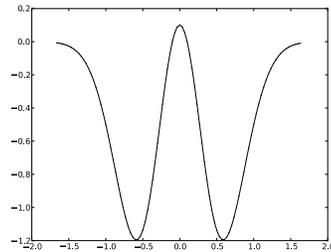
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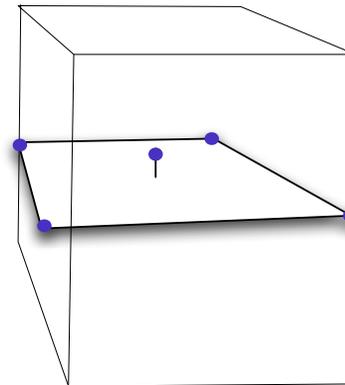


# Regularization

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Ill-conditioning and regularization. The regularization parameter is 0, .01, and .1 respectively. (Vertical scale is changing).





# Relation between Laplace, Thin-Plate, RBF

## 2D thin-plate interpolation

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with  $R(r) = r^2 \log(r)$ .

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# Solving Thin plate interpolation

- if few known points: use RBF
- if many points use multigrid instead
- but Carr/Beatson et. al. (SIGGRAPH 01) use FMM for RBF with large numbers of points

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# Break

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with  $R(r) = r^2 \log(r)$ .

**Where does  $r^2 \log(r)$  come from??**

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# Relation between Laplace, Thin-Plate, RBF

the “roughness penalizing” formulation,

$$\min_{\mathbf{f}} \int \|\nabla \mathbf{f}\|^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

The RBF solution

$$f(\mathbf{p}) = \sum w_k R(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_k)$$

$R$  is essentially  $(\nabla^2)^{-1}$ .

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# Where does the rbf kernel come from?

Fit an unknown function  $f$  to the data  $y_k$ , regularized by minimizing a smoothness term.

$$\min_f = \sum (f_k - y_k)^2 + \lambda \int ||Pf||^2$$

e.g. 
$$||Pf||^2 = \int \left( \frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} \right)^2 dx$$

Variational derivative w.r.t.  $f$  leads to a differential equation

$$P^T P f(x) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum (f(x) - y_k) \delta(x - x_k)$$

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# Where does the rbf kernel come from?

Solve linear differential equation by finding Green's function of the differential operator, convolving it with the RHS (works only for a linear operator). Schematically,

$$Lf = rhs$$

$L$  is the operator  $P^T P$ ,

$rhs$  is the data fidelity

$$f = g \star rhs$$

$f$  obtained by convolving  $g \star rhs$

$$L(g \star rhs) = rhs$$

$$Lg = \delta$$

choosing  $rhs = \delta$

$g$  is the “convolutional inverse” of  $L$ .

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$$Lg = \delta$$

This is easier to solve in the Fourier domain, where convolution becomes multiplication. The transform of  $\delta$  is a constant, so in the Fourier domain  $g$  is the reciprocal of  $L = P^T P$ .



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# Where does the rbf kernel come from?

(continued) A similar discrete version.

$$\min_{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y})^T \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S} (\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{f}$$

- simplifying assumptions: uniform sampling, 1 dimension
- $\mathbf{S}$  is a diagonal “selection matrix” with 1s and 0s
- $\mathbf{P}$  is a diagonal-constant matrix that encodes the discrete form of the roughness operator, e.g.

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2, 1, 0, 0, \dots \\ 1, -2, 1, 0, \dots \\ 0, 1, -2, 1, \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Where does the rbf kernel come from?

Note  $\mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S} = \mathbf{S}$  because diagonal

Take the derivative with respect to the vector  $\mathbf{f}$ ,

$$2\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y}) + \lambda 2\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{f} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{f} = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y})$$

Multiply by  $\mathbf{G}$ , being the inverse of  $\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P}$ :

$$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{f} = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{y})$$

So the RBF kernel “comes from”  $\mathbf{G} = (\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P})^{-1}$ .

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# Where does kernel come from: Discrete/Continuous

(Discrete version) RBF kernel is  $\mathbf{G} = (\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P})^{-1}$ .  
Take SVD

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{V}^T \Rightarrow \mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{D}^2 \mathbf{V}^T$$

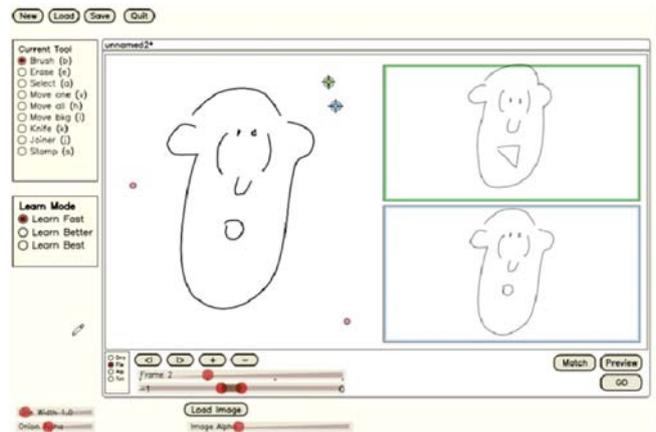
The inverse of  $\mathbf{V} \mathbf{D}^2 \mathbf{V}^T$  is  $\mathbf{V} \mathbf{D}^{-2} \mathbf{V}^T$ .

- eigenvectors of a circulant matrix are sinusoids,
- and  $\mathbf{P}$  is diagonal-constant (toeplitz), or nearly circulant.
- So  $\mathbf{V} \mathbf{D}^{-2} \mathbf{V}^T$  is approximately the same as taking the Fourier transform and then the reciprocal (remembering that  $\mathbf{D}$  are the singular values of  $\mathbf{P}$  not  $\mathbf{P}^T \mathbf{P}$ )

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# Learning Doodle by Example

## Application Examples

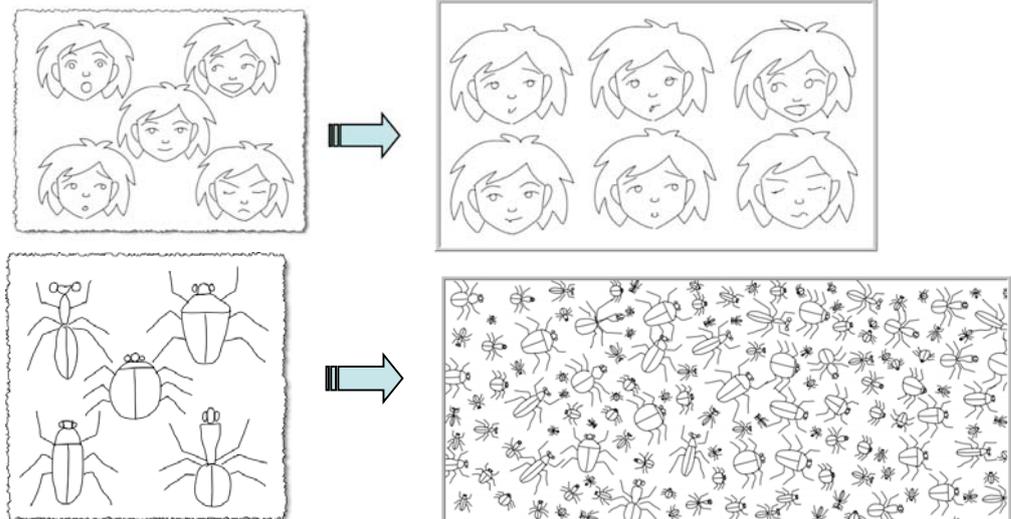


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## Problem Definition

- Given  $N$  similar input drawings (doodles)
- Construct more doodles that resemble the  $N$  inputs

### ▶ Example results



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# Proposed Solution

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- Construct a space of doodles defined by the inputs
  - Use results from machine learning and statistics:
    - Consider drawings as sample points in some space.
    - Similar doodles should be located nearby in the space.
    - We wish to fit (or learn) a continuous function over the space that “explains” the examples as well.
  - We call the result a “Latent Doodle Space”(LDS).
- ▶ See the paper in EUROGRAPHICS06 (by Baxter and Anjyo) for details.

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# Two Main Challenges

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To build a latent doodle space (LDS):

- Find correspondences between two line drawings.
  - Hard problem. No perfect solution.
    - ▶ Do best possible, but still must have a good UI.
- Generate the space of similar drawings.
  - Use Bayesian techniques and statistical methods to improve results.

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# How to construct the LDS?

To generate the space of similar drawings (LDS):

- Two main tasks :
  - Finding latent coordinate system  $\leftarrow$  PCA
  - Interpolating within LDS  $\leftarrow$  RBF
- Three options in the EG06 paper: PCA+RBF, PCA+GP, GPLVM
- $\rightarrow$  This talk focuses on the first strategy: PCA+ RBF

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# Dimension reduction by PCA

- A line drawing (doodle) has the structure:
  - line drawing  $l_k$  - stroke  $s_p$  - linear segments  $a_v^p$
- After establishing correspondences among line drawings:
  - Construct the data matrix  $X$  (with zero-mean):

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{line drawing } l_1 \rightarrow \\
 \text{line drawing } l_2 \rightarrow \\
 \vdots
 \end{array}
 \left(
 \begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \underbrace{a^1_0 \quad a^1_1 \quad \dots \quad a^1_{s_1}}_{\text{stroke } s_1} & \underbrace{b^1_0 \quad \dots \quad b^1_{s_2}}_{\text{stroke } s_2} & \dots & & & & \\
 a^2_0 & \dots & a^2_{s_1} & b^2_0 & \dots & b^2_{s_2} & \dots \\
 \vdots & & & & & & 
 \end{array}
 \right) = X$$

*Note: In the original image, a red circle highlights the  $a^1_0$  element and a red arrow points to it from the label  $(x, y)$ .*

- Applying PCA: Eigen decomposition of the covariance matrix  $X^T \cdot X$

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## 2-d LDS and RBF

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- Make the LDS 2-dim by taking the eigenvectors with the first two largest eigenvalues.
- Interpolate each of  $s, t$  (scalar) values of the drawing samples by *thin plate spline*:

- space dimension  $n = 2$  and smoothness  $m = 2$  (explain later!)

- The spline function is:  $\phi(r) = r^2 \log r$  where  $r := \|(s, t)\| = \sqrt{s^2 + t^2}$

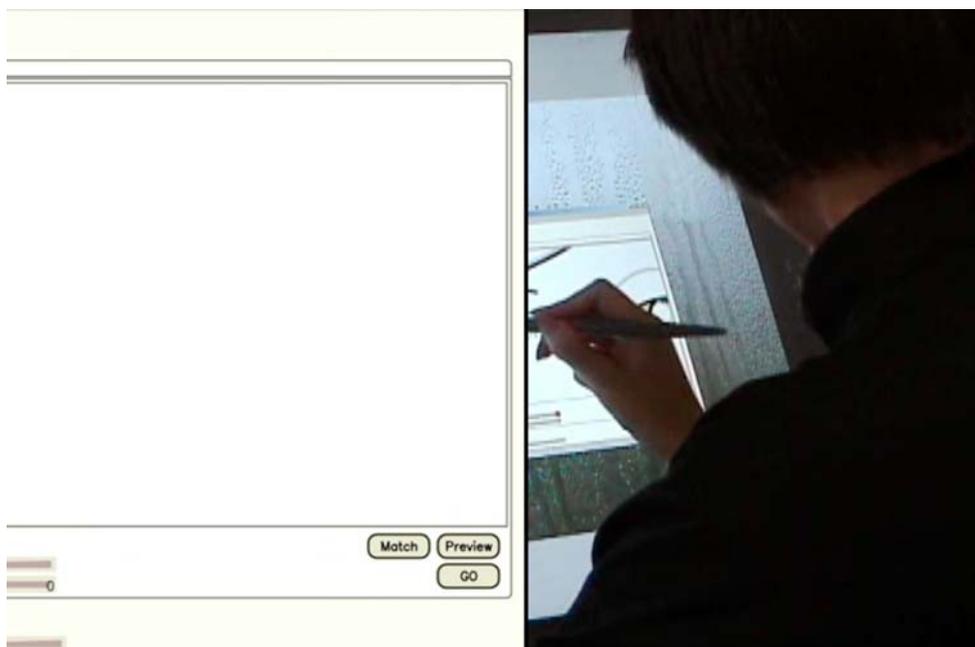
- The interpolant is of the form:

$$f(s, t) := \sum_i w_i \phi(s - s_i, t - t_i) + as + bt + c$$

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## Demo

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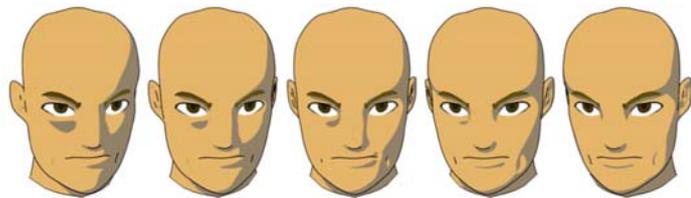


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# Locally Controllable Stylized Shading

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## Application Examples



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## Background: Cartoon shading

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- Based on thresholded **N•L** shading model



**N•L intensity distribution**

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# Motivation: Fake but expressive shading

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With conventional shader

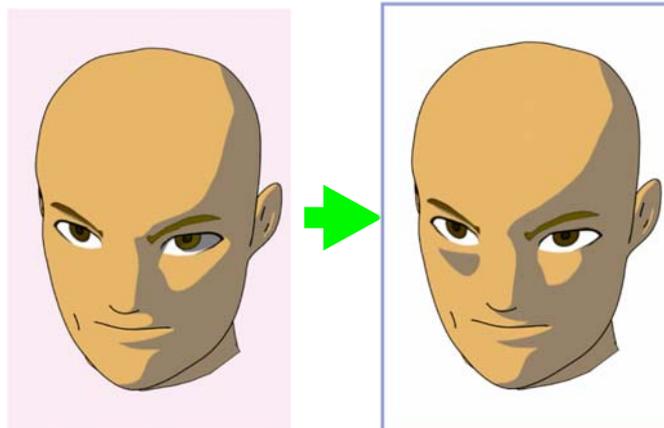


Artists want neat shading

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# Our Goal

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conventional

desired

- Make toon shader artist-friendly
  - Edit undesirable shaded area
  - Add artistic light and shade to original 3D lighting

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## Video demonstration

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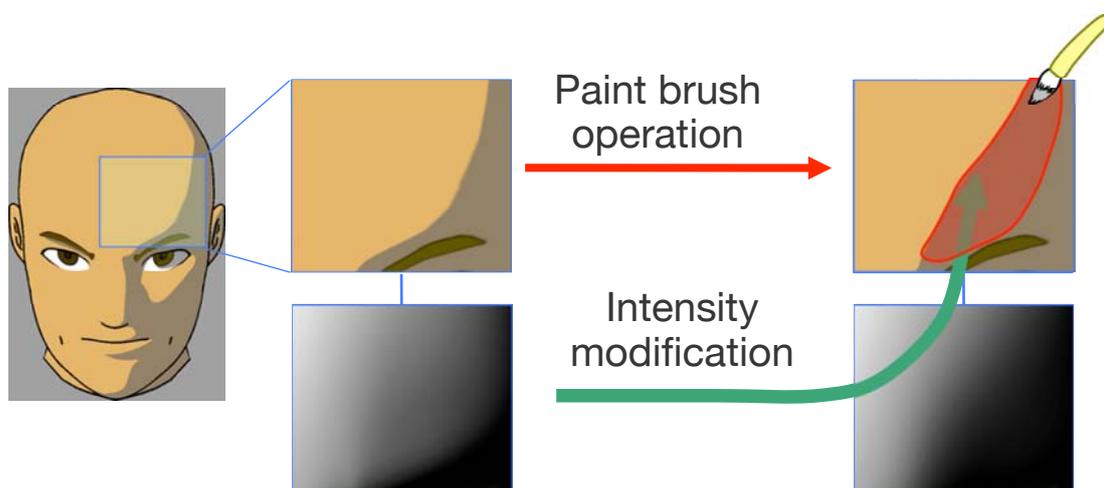


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## The shade painter (our approach)

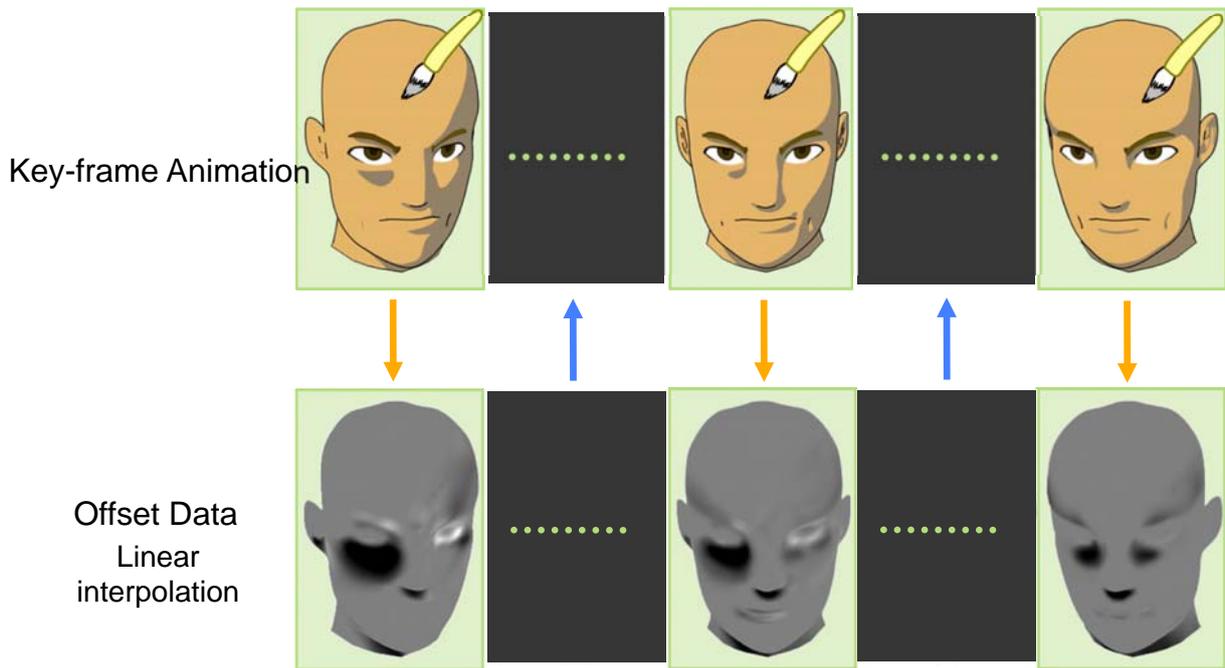
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- The main idea:  
Modify intensity according to painted strokes



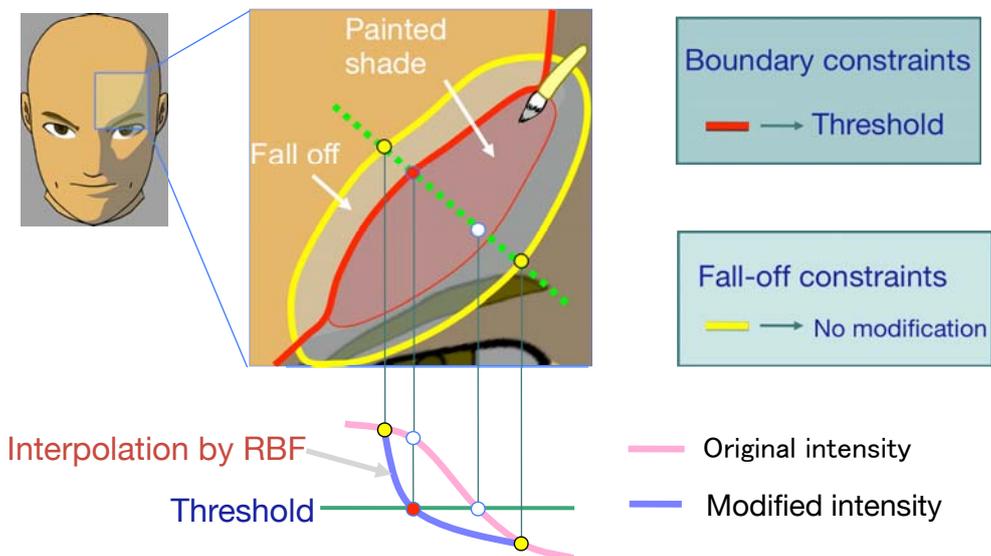
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# Keyframing



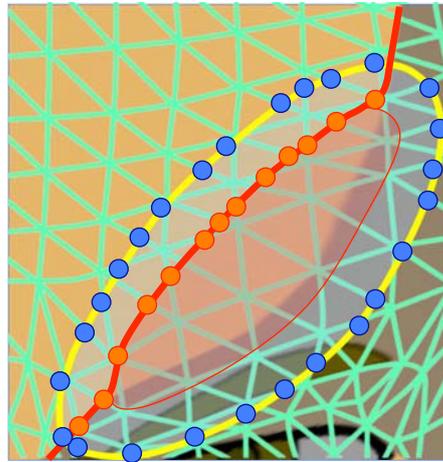
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# Intensity modification by painting



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# RBF interpolation



- The discretized constraints for the RBF are specified for the points ● and ●.

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## The unknown values

- We employ the following interpolation function:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^l w_i \phi(x - c_i) + P(x)$$

where  $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ , and  $\phi(x) := \|x\| \equiv \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$ ;  $P(x)$  is a linear polynomial of  $x_1, x_2, x_3$ ;  $c_i$  means the constraint points (● and ●);  $l$  is the number of all the constraint points.

- We want to determine the weights  $\{w_k\}$  and the four coefficients of  $P(x)$   
→ Totally  $l + 4$  unknown values.

For the given values  $h_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq l$ ), we have:

$$\sum_{i=1}^l w_i \phi(c_j - c_i) + P(c_j) = h_j, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq l.$$

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## The unknown values

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- ◆ We further add the following condition:

for any linear polynomial  $\sum_{i=1}^l w_i Q(c_i) = 0$ .

→ Taking  $Q = 1, x_1, x_2$ , and  $x_3$ , we know that the above condition means:

$$\sum_{i=1}^l w_i = 0 \quad \sum_{i=1}^l w_i c_{ij} = 0, \quad (j=1, 2, 3)$$

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## The linear equation for RBF

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- By putting  $P(x) = p_0 + p_1x_1 + p_2x_2 + p_3x_3$  and  $\phi_{ij} := \phi(c_i - c_j)$ , we have the following *linear* equation:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_{11} & \phi_{12} & \cdots & \phi_{1l} & 1 & c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} \\ \phi_{21} & \ddots & & & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & & & & & \\ \phi_{l1} & & & \phi_{ll} & 1 & c_{l1} & c_{l2} & c_{l3} \\ 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c_{11} & \cdots & & c_{1l} & \vdots & \ddots & & \vdots \\ c_{12} & \cdots & & c_{12} & \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{13} & \cdots & & c_{13} & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_l \\ p_0 \\ p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_l \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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## System Overview

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## Example Animations

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# Functional Analysis, RBF and RKHS connections

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RBF and RKHS

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Recall the RBFs in our examples

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## In our examples:

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- The RBF interpolants can be expressed in such a form that:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + p(\mathbf{x})$$

- ▶ Latent doodle space uses TPS:  $G(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \log \|\mathbf{x}\|$

- followed by linear polynomial  $p(\mathbf{x}) = p(x_1, x_2) \equiv c_0 + c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2$

- ▶ The shade painter employs  $G(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$  and  $p$  is linear:

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = p(x_1, x_2, x_3) \equiv p_0 + p_1 x_1 + p_2 x_2 + p_3 x_3 .$$

- ✓ PSD applications use Gaussian RBF with no polynomial term ( $p(\mathbf{x}) \equiv 0$ ).

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## In the shade painter case

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- The shade painter uses  $G(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\| = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$  and the interpolant:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + p(\mathbf{x})$$

- Point constraints:  $f_k = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}_i) + p(\mathbf{x}_k) \quad (k = 1, \dots, N)$

- Vanishing moments:  $\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i = 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i x_{i,j} = 0, \quad j = 1, 2, 3.$

where  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, x_{i3})^T$ .

- We have (N+4) linear equations for (N+4) unknown values.

➔ Get the values of  $\{\alpha_i\}$  and the four coefficients of  $p$  by solving the linear equation system!

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## So why?

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- Where do RBFs come from?
  - Why vanishing moment condition?
  - Where is Gaussian RBF?
- ➔ Functional analysis might be helpful to answer them.

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## Thin Plate Spline Revisited

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Background  
Differential equation for TPS  
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# Background

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- Let  $\Omega$  in  $R^2$ . Find a function  $\varphi(x)$  defined on  $\Omega$  that minimizes the following energy:

$$F(\varphi) := \iint_{\Omega} \left( \left| \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1^2} \right|^2 + 2 \left| \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_2^2} \right|^2 \right) dx_1 dx_2$$

- Where can we find the solution ?

- As a necessary condition, it should belong to:

$$B_2^2(\Omega) := \left\{ \varphi(x) : \Omega \rightarrow R \cup \{\pm\infty\} \mid \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1^2}, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_2^2} \in L^2(\Omega) \right\}$$

where

$$L^2(\Omega) = \left\{ \varphi : \Omega \rightarrow R \cup \{\pm\infty\} \mid \int_{\Omega} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx_1 dx_2 < \infty \right\}.$$

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## Differential equation for TPS

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- Cauchy's idea: Let  $f = \mathbf{arg} F$ . Then consider  $G(t) = F(f + t\mathbf{g})$ , where  $t \in R$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$  is a smooth function with compact support:

$$\mathbf{g}(x) = 0, \text{ if } x \in \partial\Omega.$$

- ▶  $G(t)$  is then a quadratic function of  $t$ :

$$G(t) = t^2 \int \left( g_{x_1 x_1}^2 + 2g_{x_1 x_2}^2 + g_{x_2 x_2}^2 \right) d\mathbf{x} \\ + t \int \left( 2f_{x_1 x_1} g_{x_1 x_1} + 4f_{x_1 x_2} g_{x_1 x_2} + 2f_{x_2 x_2} g_{x_2 x_2} \right) d\mathbf{x} + (\text{const}).$$

- ▶ and it must satisfy  $G'(0) = 0$ .

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# Differential equation for TPS

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- Cauchy's idea (cont.):

▶  $G'(0) = 0$

➔  $0 = \int (f_{x_1x_1} g_{x_1x_1} + 2f_{x_1x_2} g_{x_1x_2} + f_{x_2x_2} g_{x_2x_2}) d\mathbf{x}$

integration by parts (twice!)

➔  $= - \int (f_{x_1x_1x_1} g_{x_1} + 2f_{x_1x_2x_1} g_{x_2} + f_{x_2x_2x_2} g_{x_2}) d\mathbf{x}$   
 $\cong \int (f_{x_1x_1x_1} + 2f_{x_1x_2x_1} + f_{x_2x_2x_2}) g d\mathbf{x}$   
 $= \int (\Delta^2 f) \cdot g d\mathbf{x}$

▶ Since  $g$  is arbitrary, we have:  $\Delta^2 f \equiv \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2} \right)^2 f = 0.$

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# RBF as TPS

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- We'll use Green's function  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$  associated with the differential operator  $\Delta^2$ :

$$\Delta^2 \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \delta(\mathbf{x}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \log \|\mathbf{x}\|$$

- $\delta(\mathbf{x})$  is the Dirac delta function.

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# The Regularization Problem with TPS

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- We treat a simple case where  $\Omega = \mathbf{R}^2$ .
- For given data  $(x_i, f_i) \in \mathbf{R}^2 \times \mathbf{R}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ), find a solution  $f$ :

$$\min_f \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N (f_i - f(x_i))^2 + \lambda F(f) \right\}$$

-  $F(\varphi) := \iint_{\Omega} \left( \left| \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1^2} \right|^2 + 2 \left| \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_2^2} \right|^2 \right) dx_1 dx_2$

-  $\lambda$  is also given, called the *regularization parameter*.

- Where can we find the solution?  $B_2^2(\Omega)$  ?:

$$B_2^2(\Omega) := \left\{ \varphi(x) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\} \mid \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1^2}, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}, \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x_2^2} \in L^2(\Omega) \right\}$$

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# Regularization Problem in Function Space

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Problem statement

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# Generalizing the TPS regularization problem

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- Let  $\Omega = \mathbf{R}^n$ . Generalize the TPS regularization problem into higher dimensions and, instead of  $F$ , with:

$$J_m^n(f) := \sum_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_n = m} \frac{m!}{\alpha_1! \alpha_2! \dots \alpha_n!} \|D^\alpha f\|_{L^2}^2,$$
$$D^\alpha f := \frac{\partial^m f}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \partial x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}}.$$

- With this definition,  $F = J_2^2$ .

- For given data  $(\mathbf{x}_i, f_i) \in \mathbf{R}^n \times \mathbf{R}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ), find a solution  $f$ :

$$\min_f \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N (f_i - f(\mathbf{x}_i))^2 + \lambda J_m^n(f) \right\}$$

- We need to decide where we find the solution - “Function Space”.

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## Function Space

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- A function space is a totality of functions that share common properties.
- Examples:
  1.  $\mathcal{P}_m := \{P(x) | P(x) \text{ is a polynomial of at most } m\text{-th order}\}$ .
  2.  $C^m(\Omega)$  is the totality of  $m$ -th order smoothly differentiable functions on  $\Omega$ , where  $m = 0$  (the totality of continuous functions),  $1, 2, \dots$ , or  $\infty$ .
  3.  $C_0^\infty(\Omega)$  is the totality of infinitely many times differentiable functions on  $\Omega$  with compact support (i.e., each function of this function space vanishes outside a large ball in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ ).
  4.  $L^p(\Omega) := \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\} | \int |f(x)|^p dx < \infty\}$ , where  $p$  is a positive number.

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# Regularization Problem in $B_m^n$

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- For given data  $(\mathbf{x}_i, f_i) \in \mathbf{R}^n \times \mathbf{R}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ), find a solution  $f$ :

$$\min_f \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N (f_i - f(\mathbf{x}_i))^2 + \lambda J_m^n(f) \right\}$$

- The function space where we want to find the solution is:

$$B_m^n := \{f : \mathbf{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\} \mid D^\alpha f \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^n), \text{ for any } \alpha (|\alpha| = m)\}.$$

- Simple generalization of TPS, where we set  $m = n = 2$  and  $J_2^2(f) = F(f)$ .

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## Role of the parameters

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- $n$ : dimension of variables

- $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T \in \mathbf{R}^n$ .

- $m$ : degree of smoothness of the solution

- $J_m^n$  includes up to  $m$ -th order derivatives.

- $\lambda$ : regularization parameter

- Specifies the trade-off between minimization of the first term  $\sum_{i=1}^N (f_i - f(\mathbf{x}_i))^2$  and smoothness of the solution enforced by  $J_m^n$ .

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# Solution

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- If  $2m - n > 0$ , the solution is then given by:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + p(\mathbf{x})$$

- $G(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} \log |\mathbf{x}| & \text{if } 2m - n \text{ is an even integer,} \\ |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$

- $p$  is a polynomial  $\in \mathcal{P}_{m-1}$ .

- We need to get the weights  $\{\alpha_i\}$  and the coefficients of the polynomial.

- The *vanishing moment* condition is then satisfied:

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k Q(\mathbf{x}_k) = 0, \quad \text{for all } Q \in \mathcal{P}_{m-1}$$

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# In our examples:

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- The RBF interpolants are given by:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + p(\mathbf{x})$$

- $G(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} \log |\mathbf{x}| & \text{if } 2m - n \text{ is an even integer,} \\ |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$

- $p$  is a polynomial  $\in \mathcal{P}_{m-1}$ .

- ▶ Latent doodle space uses TPS, where  $m = n = 2$  and  $p$  is a linear polynomial.

- ▶ The shade painter deals with the case where  $m = 2$ ,  $n = 3$ , and  $p$  is linear.

- The regularization problem in  $B_m^n$  does not explain the PSD cases.

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# Functional Analysis and RKHS

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What is functional analysis?  
RBF and RKHS

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## What is functional analysis?

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- Mathematical theory of functions, differential equations.
- Deals with “generalization” of function, derivatives, ...
- Usually it’s a different thing from what we want to know...
- Function space is a concept of infinite dimensional geometry.
  - Ex:  $\mathbf{R}^n \Rightarrow l^2 \Rightarrow L^2$ .
- See the detailed discussions in our course notes.

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## Basic properties of $J_m^n$

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- $J_m^n(f) = (-1)^m \langle f, \Delta^m f \rangle_{L^2}$ .
  - This formula can be obtained through integration by parts.
    - ➔ Recall the technique of “integration by parts” in the TPS case.
- $J_m^n(f) = 0 \Leftrightarrow f \in \mathcal{P}_{m-1}$ .
- ➔ We therefore have:  $B_m^n = H_m^n \oplus \mathcal{P}_{m-1}$ .
- $H_m^n$  is called a Reproducing Kernel Hilbert space.

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## RKHS and RBF

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- The RBF interpolants are given by:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + p(\mathbf{x})$$

- The first term belongs to RKHS  $H_m^n$ .
- Roughly speaking, an RKHS is a function space spanned by the finite sum of  $\{G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}_k)\}$ . Particularly in solving the regularization problem, we can take  $\mathbf{c}_i = \mathbf{x}_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq N$  (The representer theorem).
- $H_m^n$  is a normed space with  $\|f\|_{H_m^n}^2 = J_m^n(f)$ , which also means that

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{H_m^n} := \sum_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_n = m} \frac{m!}{\alpha_1! \alpha_2! \dots \alpha_n!} \langle D^\alpha f, D^\alpha g \rangle_{L^2}$$

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# The kernel

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- In our situations (examples), if we set  $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) := G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$ , then  $K$  has the following properties:

- $K$  is a symmetric, positive semi-definite function.

- ➔ This gives an alternative definition of RKHS.

- ✓  $K$  is called the kernel function of RKHS.

- $G$  is characterized by  $\Delta^m G(\mathbf{x}) = \delta(\mathbf{x})$ .

- This yields that

- $$G(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} \log |\mathbf{x}| & \text{if } 2m - n \text{ is an even integer,} \\ |\mathbf{x}|^{2m-n} & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

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# The vanishing moment condition

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- This condition follows from the fact that  $B_m^n = H_m^n \oplus \mathcal{P}_{m-1}$ .

- We note that, for any  $f$  and  $g \in B_m^n$ ,  $\langle f, g \rangle_{B_m^n} = (-1)^m \langle \Delta^m f, g \rangle_{L^2}$ .

- Substitute  $f = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i)$  and  $Q(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{P}_{m-1}$ . We thus have:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i), Q(\mathbf{x}) \right\rangle_{B_m^n} = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \langle \Delta^m G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i), Q(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_{L^2} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i \langle \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i), Q(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_{L^2} = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i Q(\mathbf{x}_i). \end{aligned}$$

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# The Gaussian RBF

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- Instead of  $J_m^n$ , consider  $\sum_{m \geq 0} a_m J_m^n$  with  $a_m = \frac{\sigma^{2m}}{m! 2^m}$  ( $\sigma > 0$ ).
- The Green's function of the differential operator  $\sum_{m \geq 0} (-1)^m \Delta^m$  is:

$$G(\mathbf{x}) = c \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right).$$

- $f = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i G(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i)$  is the solution of the regularization problem (We don't need a polynomial term this time).

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## So why?

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- Where do RBFs come from?
  - Why vanishing moment condition?
  - Where is Gaussian RBF?
- ➔ Functional analysis should be helpful to answer them.

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