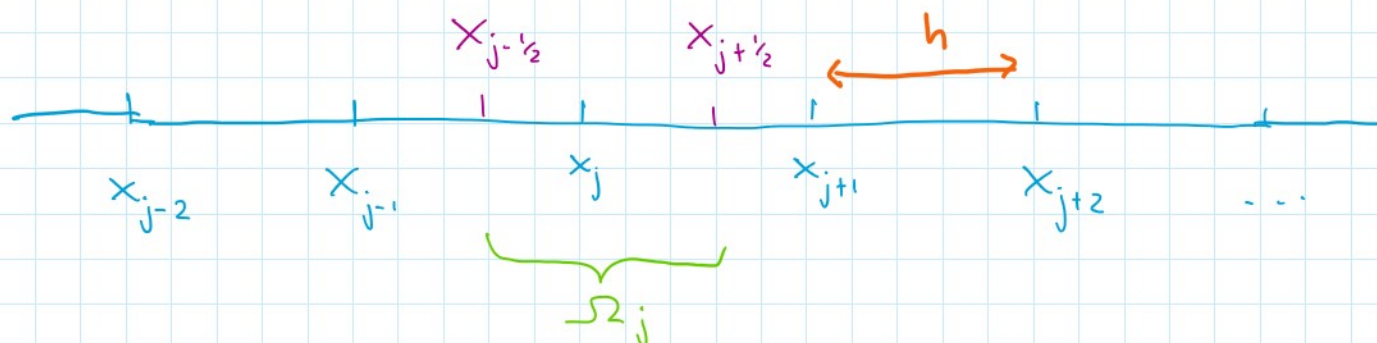




Suppose we have a function u that is sufficiently smooth and only know its cell averages

$$\bar{u}_j = \frac{1}{h} \int_{\Omega_j} u(x) dx$$

Can we reconstruct the values of u at the interfaces (approximately)?

Suppose we have cell averages

$$\bar{u}_{j-p}, \dots, \bar{u}_{j+q}$$

We seek a polynomial π of order $m-1$, where $m = p+q+1$ is the number of points, such that

$$u(x_{j+1/2}) = \pi(x_{j+1/2}) + O(h^m)$$

and such that

$$\frac{1}{h} \int_{\Omega_i} \pi(x) dx = \bar{u}_i, \quad i = j-p, \dots, j+q$$

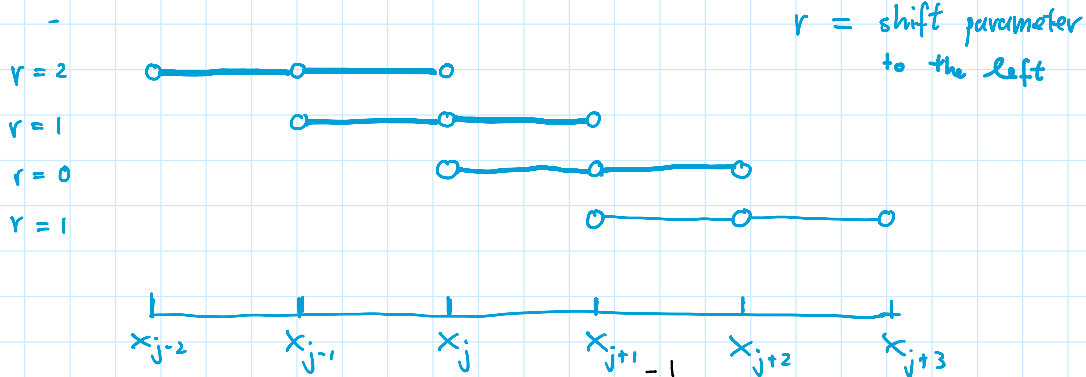
(m constraints)

We have numerous "stencils" of interpolation points that differ by the shift parameter.

$$j-r, j-r+1, \dots, j-r+m$$

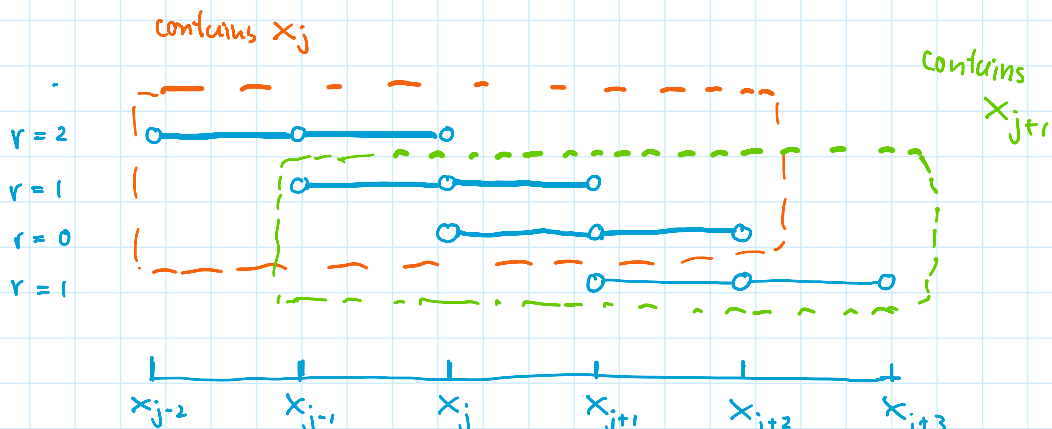
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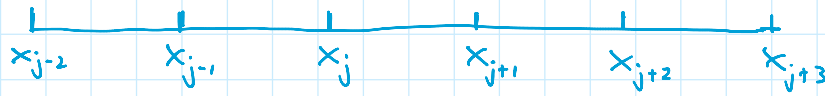
$$m = 3$$



In order to contain x_j or x_{j+1} in the stencil, we must have the shift

$$-1 \leq r \leq m$$





Thus we have two families of stencils of size m

Consider an antiderivative V of u :

$$V'(x) = u(x)$$

For a given shift $-1 \leq r \leq m$ we construct a polynomial $\Pi(x)$ of degree m which interpolates V at the cell interfaces

$$\Pi(x_{j-r+i-\frac{1}{2}}) = V(x_{j-r+i-\frac{1}{2}}), \quad i = 0, \dots, m$$

($m+1$ constraints)

We consider its derivative

$$\Pi'(x) = \partial_x \Pi(x)$$

We calculate the integral of Π over cells.
For $l = j-r, \dots, j-r+m$ we have

$$\frac{1}{h} \int_{x_{l-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{l+\frac{1}{2}}} \Pi(\xi) d\xi = \frac{1}{h} \int_{x_{l-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{l+\frac{1}{2}}} \Pi'(\xi) d\xi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(FTC)} &= \frac{1}{h} \left(\Pi(x_{l+\frac{1}{2}}) - \Pi(x_{l-\frac{1}{2}}) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{h} \left(V(x_{l+\frac{1}{2}}) - V(x_{l-\frac{1}{2}}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(FTC)} = \frac{1}{h} \int_{x_{l-\frac{1}{2}}}^{x_{l+\frac{1}{2}}} u(\xi) d\xi = \bar{U}_l$$

Interpolation theory with equidistant nodes!

Via interpolation theory, we have

$$\pi = V + O(h^{m+1}) \quad \text{over } [x_{j-r-\frac{1}{2}}, x_{j-r+m-\frac{1}{2}}]$$

Hence

can be computed just from cell averages via solution of a linear system of equations.

$$\pi = u + O(h^m) \quad \text{over } \quad "$$

Recall that there is an explicit formula for the polynomial interpolant, using Lagrange interpolants:

$$\pi(x_{j-r+i-\frac{1}{2}}) = V(x_{j-r+i-\frac{1}{2}}), \quad i = 0, \dots, m$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \pi(x) = \sum_{i=0}^m V(x_{j-r+i-\frac{1}{2}}) l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})}(x)$$

↑
i-th Lagrange polynomial

One formula for the Lagrange polynomials is:

$$l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})}(x) = \prod_{\substack{0 \leq t \leq m \\ t \neq i}} \frac{x - x_{j-r+t-\frac{1}{2}}}{x_{j-r+i-\frac{1}{2}} - x_{j-r+t-\frac{1}{2}}}$$

↖ degree m poly

We notice that $l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})}(x_{j-r+t-\frac{1}{2}}) = \delta_{it}$, and the partition of unity property

↑
Kronecker delta

$$\sum_{i=0}^m l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})}(x) = 1$$

We consider

using partition of unity

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(x) - V(x_{j-r-\frac{1}{2}}) &= \sum_{i=0}^m \left[V(x_{j-r+i-\frac{1}{2}}) - V(x_{j-r-\frac{1}{2}}) \right] l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})}(x) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^m h \sum_{q=0}^{i-1} \bar{U}_{q+j-r} l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})}(x) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\Pi(x) - \Pi'(x) = \sum_{i=0}^m h \sum_{q=0}^{i-1} \bar{U}_{q+j-r} l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})}(x)'$$

We rearrange the nested sum

$$\sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{q=0}^{i-1} a_q b_i = \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \left(a_q \sum_{i=q+1}^m b_i \right)$$

$$\Pi(x) - \Pi'(x) = \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \bar{U}_{q+j-r} \sum_{i=q+1}^m h (l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})})'(x)$$

We evaluate at the points $x_{j+\frac{1}{2}}$ and $x_{j-\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(x_{j+\frac{1}{2}}) - \Pi(x_{j-\frac{1}{2}}) &= \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \bar{U}_{q+j-r} \underbrace{\sum_{i=q+1}^m h (l_i^{(j-r-\frac{1}{2})})'(x_{j-\frac{1}{2}})}_{C_{qr}^m} \\ &= \sum_{q=0}^{m-1} \bar{U}_{q+j-r} C_{qr}^m \end{aligned}$$

In summary, the polynomial satisfies the m (algebraic) coverage constraints and the approximation estimate.

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We can use the approximation

$$U_{j+\frac{1}{2}} = \sum_{i=0}^m C_{ir}^m \bar{U}_{j+i-r}$$

Remark: Above, the polynomial Π is defined via m cell averages whereas Π is defined via $m+1$ cell interfaces.

How are we going to use this?

If r is fixed, we get a linear scheme.

Our idea is to choose r adaptively, that is, we adaptively shift the stencil. Generally speaking, we will try to avoid jumps.

$r=2$

$r=1$

$r=0$

