

# **Lecture 24**

## **Radial Basis Network (I)**

# Outline

- Interpolation Problem Formulation
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# Interpolation Problem Formulation

- Radial Basis function for interpolation:

Given  $\{\mathbf{x}_i; 1 \leq i \leq K\}$  and  $\{d_i; 1 \leq i \leq K\}$ , find a function  $F(\mathbf{x})$  that satisfies the interpolation condition:

$$F(\mathbf{x}_i) = d_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq K \quad (1)$$

One form of  $F(\mathbf{x})$  is the radial basis function of the following form:

$$F(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^K w_i \phi(\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|) \quad (2)$$

where  $\{\mathbf{x}_i; 1 \leq i \leq K\}$  are the centers of the radial basis functions.

# Solving Radial Basis Coefficients

- Substitute (1) into (2), we obtain a set of linear system of equations

$$M w = d \quad (3)$$

where  $M = [M(i,j), 1 \leq i, j, \leq K]$  is the *interpolation matrix*,  $M(i,j) = \phi(\|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|)$ ,  $w = [w_1, w_2, \dots, w_K]^t$ , and  $d = [d_1, d_2, \dots, d_K]^t$ . Given  $M$  and  $\mathbf{d}$ , assuming the  $N$  centers are distinct,  $w$  can be solved as:  $w = M^{-1}d$  if  $M$  is non-singular. If the  $\phi(r) = (r^2 + c^2)^{-1/2}$ , or  $\phi(r) = \exp(-r^2/(2\sigma^2))$ , it can further be shown that  $M$  is also positive definite.

# An Example

- Let  $\varphi(\|x-x_i\|) = (1-|x-x_i|)[u(x-x_i+1)-u(x-x_i-1)]$ .  
Given  $F(-1) = 0.2$ ,  $F(-0.5) = 0.5$ , and  $F(1) = -0.5$ .  

$$F(x) = w_1\varphi(\|x-x_1\|)+w_2\varphi(\|x-x_2\|)+w_3\varphi(\|x-x_3\|)$$

$$= w_1(1-|x+1|) [u(x+2)-u(x)] + w_2(1-|x+0.5|) [u(x+1.5) - u(x-0.5)] + w_3(1-|x-1|) [u(x) -u(x-2)].$$
 So,
- $F(-1) = w_1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 + w_2 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 1 + w_3 \cdot (-1) \cdot 0 = 0.2$   
 $F(-0.5) = w_1 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 1 + w_2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 + w_3 \cdot (-0.5) \cdot 0 = 0.5$   
 $F(1) = w_1 \cdot (-1) \cdot 0 + w_2 \cdot (-0.5) \cdot 0 + w_3 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = -0.5$
- Solve for  $w_1 = -1/15$ ,  $w_2 = 8/15$ , and  $w_3 = -0.5$ .

## Example continued

- Suppose  $\varphi(\|x-x_i\|) = \exp(-|x-x_i|^2)$ , one has

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & e^{-|-1+0.5|^2} & e^{-|-1-1|^2} \\ e^{-|-0.5+1|^2} & 1 & e^{-|-0.5-1|^2} \\ e^{-|1+1|^2} & e^{-|1+0.5|^2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ 0.5 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

One can solve the w vector accordingly.

- Comparison with Parzen window:  $h_3 = 1/\sqrt{3}$ ,

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{1}{h_3} \varphi\left(\frac{x-x_i}{h_3}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [e^{-3|x+1|^2} + e^{-3|x+0.5|^2} + e^{-3|x-1|^2}]$$

- No weighting, and no target values of  $F(x)$  needed.

# Example (Comparison)

