# Computing for Scientists - Lab 7 

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## 1 Problem 1

Write one script that solves all the linear systems below, in order.
$\mathbf{1}\left\{\begin{array}{l}5 x_{1}-3 x_{2}+2 x_{3}=3 \\ 2 x_{1}+4 x_{2}-x_{3}=7 \\ x_{1}-11 x_{2}+4 x_{3}=3\end{array}\right.$
$\mathbf{2}\left\{\begin{array}{l}x_{1}+4 x_{3}=13 \\ 4 x_{1}-2 x_{2}+x_{3}=7 \\ 2 x_{1}-2 x_{2}-7 x_{3}=-19\end{array}\right.$
$3\left\{\begin{array}{l}-2 x_{1}+x_{2}=-3 \\ x_{1}+x_{2}=3\end{array}\right.$
$4\left\{\begin{array}{l}10 x_{1}-7 x_{2}=7 \\ -3 x_{1}+2 x_{2}-6 x_{3}=4 \\ 5 x_{1}+x_{2}+5 x_{3}=-19\end{array}\right.$
$\mathbf{5}\left\{\begin{array}{l}x_{1}+4 x_{2}-x_{3}+x_{4}=2 \\ 2 x_{1}+7 x_{2}+x_{3}-2 x_{4}=16 \\ x_{1}+4 x_{2}-x_{3}+2 x_{4}=-15 \\ 3 x_{1}-10 x_{2}-2 x_{3}+5 x_{4}=-15\end{array}\right.$


Figure 1: 4th degree polynomial

## 2 Problem 2-curve fitting

You are given 5 data points sampled from a fourth degree polynomial.

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f(x)=a_{0}+a_{1} x^{1}+a_{2} x^{2}+a_{3} x^{3}+a_{4} x^{4}
$$

This polynomial (and the data points) are shown in Figure 1.
Given the following data points:

| $x$ | $f(x)$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| -0.5 | 7.625 |
| -0.2 | 9.3632 |
| 0.5 | 9.625 |
| 0.75 | 8.7578 |
| 1 | 8 |

solve for the polynomial's coefficients $\left(a_{0}, a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, a_{4}\right)$. You have to formulate this curve fitting problem as the solution to a linear system of equations. Write a MATLAB script and use the matrix left division method.

## Due dates

Problem 1 due at the end of class. Problem 2 due before midnight, Friday November 11th.

