

Q: 1. What is a spline?

2. What are common spline BC's?
- I.  $S_3''(x_0)=0$ ,  $S_3''(x_n)=0$ . II.  $S_3''(x_0)$  and  $S_3''(x_n)$  are given.  
III. periodic properties of Spline interpolation  
 'Best approximation'  
 least  $L^2$ -norm  
 Localized Splines: B-splines

Precisely: A piecewise cubic function over  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  in  $C^2(x_0, x_n)$  independent of interpolation.

$$\text{DOF} = n+3$$

In general, any piecewise polynomials over  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$

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Applications: Matlab Spline Toolbox

Nurbs Computer Aid design software

Non-uniform rational B-splines  $\frac{\sum \text{Splines}}{\sum \text{Splines}}$   
Used for solving PDEs.

$$S_3'(x) = M_{j-1} \frac{x - x_j}{x_{j-1} - x_j} + M_j \frac{x - x_{j-1}}{x_j - x_{j-1}} \quad x_{j-1} \leq x \leq x_j$$

$$\dots$$

$$S_3(x) = M_{j-1} \frac{(x_j - x)^3}{6h_j} + M_j \frac{(x - x_{j-1})^3}{6h_j} + \frac{y_j - y_{j-1}}{h_j}$$

$$- \frac{h_j}{6} (M_j - M_{j-1}) \quad x \leq x_j$$

The linear system of Eqs for  $M_j$

$$M_j M_{j-1} + 2M_j + M_{j+1} = d_j = \frac{6}{h_j + h_{j+1}} (f_{j+1} y_{j+1} - f_j y_j)$$

We have  $n+1$  eqns,  $n+1$  unknowns. We need 2 more condition.

Natural spline  $S_3''(x_0) = M_0 = 0$ ,  $S_3''(x_n) = M_n = 0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & & & \\ h_1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & 1 \\ & & & & h_n & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\ & & & & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \\ & & & & & M_1 & M_2 & \dots & M_{n-1} \\ & & & & & & & & M_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ d_{n-1} \\ d_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$0 < \lambda_j = \frac{h_{j+1}}{h_j + h_{j+1}} < 1, \quad 0 < \mu_j = \frac{h_j}{h_j + h_{j+1}} < 1, \quad \text{harmonic average over } h_j \text{ and } h_{j+1}$$

$\lambda_j + \mu_j = 1 < 2 = \text{diagonal}$

The coeff. matrix is strictly row diagonally dominant. it is invertible.

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special case  $h_1 = h_2 = \dots = h$

$$\lambda_j = \frac{h}{h+h} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad M_j = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & 1 \\ & & & & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\ & & & & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \\ & & & & & M_1 & M_2 & \dots & M_{n-1} \\ & & & & & & & & M_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Symmetric positive definite.

$$S_3'(x_0) = y_0', \quad S_3'(x_n) = y_n'. \quad \text{S.P.D.}$$

Recall  $S_3'(x) = -M_{j-1} \frac{(x_j - x)^2}{2h_j} + M_j \frac{(x - x_{j-1})^2}{2h_j}$

$$\text{Take } j=1 \text{ and } x=x_0, + f(x_j, x_j) - \frac{h}{6}(M_1 - M_0)$$

$$y_0' = -M_0 \frac{h_1}{2} + \frac{y_1 - y_0}{h} - \frac{h}{6}(M_1 - M_0)$$

$$- \frac{h_1}{3} M_0 - \frac{h_1}{6} M_1 = y_0' - \frac{y_1 - y_0}{h}$$

$$\rightarrow 2M_0 + M_1 = \frac{6}{h_1} \left( \frac{y_1 - y_0}{h} - y_0' \right)$$

$$(n+1) \text{ eqns. and } (n+1) \text{ unknowns}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & 1 \\ & & & & 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & \\ & & & & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \\ & & & & & M_1 & M_2 & \dots & M_{n-1} \\ & & & & & & & & M_n \end{bmatrix}$$

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periodic  $M_0 = M_n \quad y_0 = y_n$

$$M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n, \checkmark$$

$$\text{or } M_0, M_1, \dots, M_n, \checkmark$$

Properties of the Spline interpolation

(i) Existence and uniqueness for three BC's.

(ii) minimum property (smoothness)

If  $f(x) \in C^2[a, b]$ ,  $S_{3,p}$  is the cubic spline interpolation in  $C^2[x_0, x_n]$ ,  $S_{3,p}(x_i) = f(x_i)$  then

$$\int_a^b |S_{3,p}''|^2 dx \leq \int_a^b |f''(x)|^2 dx$$

$$\|S_{3,p}\|_{C^2[a, b]}^2 \leq \|f''\|_{L^2(a, b)}^2$$

(iii) Best approximation property

$$\int_a^b |f'' - S_{3,p}''|^2 dx \leq \int_a^b |f'' - S_3''|^2 dx \leq \|f'' - S_3''\|_{L^2(a, b)}^2$$

where  $S_3(x)$  is a piecewise cubic function in  $C^2[x_0, x_n]$  and satisfies the same BC.

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Proof: Use natural BC,  $S''(x_0)=0, S''(x_b)=0$ .

$$\int_a^b (f'' - S''_*) dx = \int_a^b ((f'')^2 - 2f''S''_* + (S''_*)^2) dx$$

$$= \int_a^b (f'')^2 - 2(f'' - S''_*)S''_* - (S''_*)^2 dx \geq 0$$

If  $\int_a^b (f'' - S''_*)S''_* dx \geq 0$ , then we get

$$\int_a^b (f'')^2 dx \geq \int_a^b (S''_*)^2 dx$$

$$\int_a^b (f'' - S''_*)S''_* dx = (f' - S'_*)S''_* \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b (f' - S'_*)S'''_* dx$$

$$= (f' - S'_*)S''_* \Big|_a^b - (f - S_*)S''_* \Big|_a^b + \int_a^b (f - S_*)S'''_* dx$$

Natural spline  $S''(a)=S''(b)=0$

Clamped spline  $f'(a)-S'_*(a)=0$  and  $f'(b)-S'_*(b)=0$

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The "best approx."

$$\int_a^b (f'' - S''_3)^2 dx = \int_a^b (f'' - S''_3 + S''_* - S''_3 + S''_*)^2 dx$$

$$= \int_a^b (f'' - S''_3)^2 dx - 2(S''_3 - S''_*)(f'' - S''_3) + (S''_3 - S''_*)^2 dx \geq \int_a^b (f'' - S''_3)^2 dx$$

$$\int_a^b (S''_3 - S''_*)(f'' - S''_3) dx \geq 0$$

$$= (f' - S'_*) \Big|_a^b (S''_3 - S''_*) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b (f' - S'_*)(S''_3 - S''_*) dx = 0$$

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