

Referring to the cubic spline computation:

We have 2 pieces of information from the interpolating conditions:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad s_j(t_{j-1}) = \tilde{a}_j = \gamma_{j-1}$$

\rightarrow this determines \tilde{a}_j

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{We also have } s_j(t_j) = \gamma_j$$

$$\text{and also } s_j(t_j) = \tilde{a}_j + \tilde{b}_j(t_j - t_{j-1}) + \tilde{c}_j(t_j - t_{j-1})^2 + \tilde{d}_j(t_j - t_{j-1})^3 \stackrel{(*)}{=} \gamma_j$$

$$\text{We already have checked } \tilde{c}_j = \frac{\sigma_j - \sigma_{j-1}}{2},$$

$$\tilde{d}_j = \frac{\sigma_j - \sigma_{j-1}}{6h_j} \quad \text{and}$$

$$\tilde{a}_j = \gamma_{j-1}$$

Plug this into (*):

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{j-1} + \tilde{b}_j h_j + \frac{\sigma_j - \sigma_{j-1}}{2} h_j^2 + \frac{\sigma_j - \sigma_{j-1}}{6h_j} h_j^3 = \gamma_j$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{b}_j h_j = y_j - y_{j-1} - h_j^2 \left(\frac{2\tilde{a}_{j-1}}{6} + \frac{\tilde{a}_j}{6} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{b}_j = \frac{y_j - y_{j-1}}{h_j} - \frac{h_j (2\tilde{a}_{j-1} + \tilde{a}_j)}{6}$$

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Equation for \tilde{b}_j verified.

Next: We use the matching of the 1st derivatives:

$$\tilde{b}_j + 2\tilde{c}_j h_j + 3\tilde{d}_j h_j^2 = \tilde{b}_{j+1}$$

to formulate an LSE for the \tilde{a}_j 's.

We write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{y_j - y_{j-1}}{h_j} - \frac{h_j (2\tilde{a}_{j-1} + \tilde{a}_j)}{6} + \tilde{a}_{j-1} h_j + \frac{\tilde{a}_j - \tilde{a}_{j-1}}{2} h_j \\ = \frac{y_{j+1} - y_j}{h_{j+1}} - \frac{h_{j+1} (2\tilde{a}_j + \tilde{a}_{j+1})}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \phi_{j-1} \left(-\frac{h_j}{3} + h_j - \frac{h_j}{2} \right) + \phi_j \left(-\frac{h_j}{6} + \frac{h_j}{2} + \frac{h_{j+1}}{3} \right) \\
+ \phi_{j+1} \frac{h_{j+1}}{6} = \underbrace{\frac{y_{j+1} - y_j}{h_{j+1}} - \frac{y_j - y_{j-1}}{6}}_{=: r_j}
\end{aligned}$$

Then we obtain the LSE from the lecture.