

Cubic L-Spline Interpolation at a Biinfinite Knot Sequence

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Let $P(D) = (D^2 - \alpha^2)(D^2 - \beta^2)$, where $D = \frac{d}{dx}$, $\beta \geq \alpha \geq 0$, and
 $\pi(P) = \{f(x) \in C^4_{(-\infty, +\infty)}; p(D)f \equiv 0\}$.

Let further $\Delta = (t_i)_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ be a strictly increasing sequence with $t_{\pm\infty} = \lim_{i \rightarrow \pm\infty} t_i$. We denote \mathbf{Z} be the set of all integers, \mathbf{R} be the set of all real numbers. Let

$$S_p(\Delta) = \{s(x) \in C^2_{(t_{-n}, t_n)}; s|_{(t_v, t_{v+1})} \in \pi(P), v \in \mathbf{Z}\},$$
$$Y = \{y = (y_v)_{-\infty}^{\infty}; y_v \in \mathbf{R}, (y_v) \in L^\infty\}.$$

Problem A For an arbitrarily given $y = (y_v) \in Y$, what conditions should Δ satisfy for existing an unique $s(x) \in S_p(\Delta) \cap L^\infty_{(t_{-n}, t_n)}$ such that $s(t_v) = y_v, v \in \mathbf{Z}$?

Firstly we assume that $\beta > \alpha > 0$, hence $e^{\alpha x}, e^{-\alpha x}, e^{\beta x}, e^{-\beta x}$ form a base of $\pi(P)$. Let us compose $p_j(x) \in \pi(P), j = 0, 1, 2, 3$, satisfying

$$p_j^{(i)}(0) = \delta_{i,j}, p_j(1) = 0, i, j = 0, 1, 2,$$
$$p_3^{(i)}(0) = 0, p_3(1) = 0, i = 0, 1, 2,$$

and denote $\Delta t_i = t_{i+1} - t_i, m_i = \Delta t_i / \Delta t_{i-1}$

$$c = (\beta \operatorname{sh} \alpha \cdot \operatorname{ch} \beta - \alpha \operatorname{sh} \beta \cdot \operatorname{ch} \alpha) / (\alpha \cdot \operatorname{sh} \beta - \beta \operatorname{sh} \alpha),$$

$$f = (\beta^2 - \alpha^2) \operatorname{sh} \beta \cdot \operatorname{sh} \alpha / (\alpha \operatorname{sh} \beta - \beta \operatorname{sh} \alpha),$$

$$d = [(a^2 + b^2) \operatorname{sh} \beta \operatorname{sh} \alpha - 2a \beta \operatorname{ch} \beta \cdot \operatorname{ch} \alpha + 2a \beta] / (\beta^2 - \alpha^2) (\alpha \operatorname{sh} \beta - \beta \operatorname{sh} \alpha),$$

$$\begin{cases} A = \begin{pmatrix} c & d \\ f & c \end{pmatrix}, D(m) = \begin{pmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m^2 \end{pmatrix}, A(m) = A \cdot D(m), \\ x_{i,l} = (-1)^l (\Delta t_{i-1})^l s^{(l)}(t_i), l = 1, 2, i \in \mathbf{Z} \\ b_{i,l} = (-1)^{l+1} (y_i p_3^{(l)}(1) + y_{i+1} p_3^{(l)}(1)), l = 1, 2, i \in \mathbf{Z} \\ x_i = (x_{i,1}, x_{i,2})^T, b_i = (b_{i,1}, b_{i,2})^T, i \in \mathbf{Z}. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Then the solvability of problem A is equivalent to whether the difference equation

$$x_{i+1} = A(m_i)x_i + b_i, i \in \mathbf{Z} \quad (2)$$

has a bounded solution.

Theorem 1 If $m_i = m^* = \frac{1}{2}(c + 1 + \sqrt{(1+c)^2 - 4})$, $i \in \mathbf{Z}$, then there exists a non-trivial $s(x) \in S_p(\Delta) \cap L^\infty_{(t_{-n}, t_n)}$, which satisfies $s(t_i) = 0$. Similarly if $m_i = (m^*)^{-1}$,

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$i \in \mathbb{Z}$, then we have the same conclusion.

Theorem 2 Let $m = \sup_{|i-j|=1} \Delta t_i / \Delta t_j$. If

$$m < m^* = \frac{1}{2}(c + 1 + \sqrt{(1+c)^2 - 4}), \quad (3)$$

then problem A has an unique bounded solution.

To prove Theorem 2, we need some lemmas.

Lemma 1 Under the condition of theorem 2, the homogeneous equation

$$x_{i+1} = A(m_i)x_i, \quad i \in \mathbb{Z} \quad (4)$$

has no bounded non-trivial solutions.

For a matrix $R = (r_{ij})$, we denote $|R| = (|r_{ij}|)$.

Lemma 2 If $\frac{1}{m} \leq m_i \leq m$, $i \in \mathbb{Z}$, and for $i, n \in \mathbb{Z}$, let

$$\begin{pmatrix} s_n^i & l_n^i \\ p_n^i & q_n^i \end{pmatrix} = A(m_{i+n+1}) \cdots A(m_i), \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{s}_n^i & \bar{l}_n^i \\ \bar{p}_n^i & \bar{q}_n^i \end{pmatrix} = |A^{-1}(m_{i-n})| \cdots |A^{-1}(m_{i-1})|,$$

then there exist $\alpha_i > 0$, $\beta_i > 0$, such that

$$\frac{s_n^i}{l_n^i} > \alpha_i > \frac{p_n^i}{q_n^i}, \quad \frac{\bar{s}_n^i}{\bar{l}_n^i} > \beta_i > \frac{\bar{p}_n^i}{\bar{q}_n^i}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

furthermore, there exist positive numbers $\eta, \bar{\eta}, \zeta, \bar{\zeta}$, such that

$$\zeta \leq \alpha_i \leq \eta, \quad \bar{\zeta} \leq \beta_i \leq \bar{\eta}, \quad \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Lemma 3 Under the condition of theorem 2, for fixed i , we take

$$x_i^{i+1} = (x_{i+1}^{i+1}, x_{i+2}^{i+1})^T = (1, -\alpha_i)^T, \quad x_i^{i+2} = (x_{i+1}^{i+2}, x_{i+2}^{i+2})^T = (1, \beta_i)^T.$$

$$x_{n+1}^i = A(m_n)x_n^i, \quad i, n \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad j = 1, 2,$$

then

$$x_{n+j}^{i+2} > 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \quad i, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$x_{n+1}^{i+1} > 0, \quad x_{n+2}^{i+1} < 0, \quad i, n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Lemma 4 Under the condition of theorem 2, for fixed i , we obtain real numbers $\varepsilon_1^i, \varepsilon_2^i$ from equation

$$\varepsilon_1^i x_i^{i+1} + \varepsilon_2^i A(m_i)x_i^i, 2 = b_i,$$

and define

$$x_{i+1}^i = \varepsilon_1^i x_i^{i+1}, \quad x_i^i = -\varepsilon_2^i x_i^{i+2};$$

$$x_{i+n+1}^i = A(m_{i+n})x_{i+n}^i, \quad x_{i+n}^i = A^{-1}(m_{i-n})x_{i-n+1}^i, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

If we take

$$x_n = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} x_n^i$$

for fixed $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, then $(x_n)_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ satisfies

$$x_{n+1} = A(m_n)x_n + b_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

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