# INVERSE QUARTIC SPLINE INTERPOLATION USING POLYNOMIAL ITERATION METHOD

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**Abstract:** By applying polynomial iteration method inverse of a quartic spline interpolation is derived and is illustrated using example.

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#### 1. PRELIMINARIES

### **DEFINITION - 1.1 [5]**

Let  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2)$ , ...,  $(x_n, y_n)$  be the set of n data points. The process of constructing a function say y = f(x) which fits the given data points is called interpolation. If the interpolated function is a polynomial it is called a polynomial interpolation.

# **DEFINITION – 1.2 [1]**

A function consisting of polynomial bits joined together with certain smoothness conditions is known as a Spline function.

Consider an interval I = [a, b] composed of n sub intervals  $I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ ,  $i = 2, 3, \ldots, n$  with  $a = x_1 < x_2 < --- < x_n = b$ . A spline S(x) of degree m on the interval I is a polynomial having continuous derivatives up to order m-1 and coinciding with y = f(x) on each subinterval  $I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ ,  $i = 2, 3, \ldots, n$  such that

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} S_1(x), x_1 < x < x_2 \\ S_2(x), x_2 < x < x_3 \\ & \\ & \\ & \\ S_n(x), x_{n-1} < x < x_n \end{cases}$$

Let S'(a) = f'(a), S'(b) = f'(b) and  $S''(x_i) = M_i$ , i = 1, 2, ... n. If m = 4, the corresponding spline is called quartic spline interpolation.

# **DEFINITION – 1.3 [4]**

If y is a single valued function of x say y = f(x), the process of finding the value of dependent variable x is known as inverse interpolation.

# 2. POLYNOMIAL ITERATION METHOD [2], [3]

Let the cubic polynomial be  $y = a_0 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3$  (2.1)

Hence

$$y-a_0 = a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$$

$$a_1 x = (y - a_0) - a_2 x^2 - a_3 x^3$$
 (2.2)

From (2.2) we get the value of x,

$$x = \frac{(y - a_0)}{a_1} - \frac{a_2}{a_1} x^2 - \frac{a_3}{a_1} x^3$$
 (2.3)

Neglecting higher powers of x from (2.3), we get the first approximation of x as:

$$x^{(1)} = \frac{y - a_0}{a_1} \tag{2.4}$$

Substituting the value x from (2.4) to (2.3), we get the second approximation of x as:

$$\begin{split} x^{(2)} &= \frac{y - a_0}{a_1} - \frac{a_2}{a_1} \left[ \frac{y - a_0}{a_1} \right]^2 - \frac{a_3}{a_1} \left[ \frac{y - a_0}{a_1} \right]^3 \\ &= \frac{y}{a_1} - \frac{a_0}{a_1} - \frac{a_2 y^2}{a_1^3} + \frac{2a_0 a_2 y}{a_1^3} - \frac{a_2 a_0^2}{a_1^3} - \frac{a_3 y^3}{a_1^4} + \frac{3a_3 y^2 a_0}{a_1^4} - \frac{3a_3 y a_0^2}{a_1^4} + \frac{a_3 a_0^3}{a_1^4} \\ x &= \frac{-a_3}{a_1^4} y^3 + \left( \frac{3a_0 a_3}{a_1^4} - \frac{a_2}{a_1^3} \right) y^2 + \left( \frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{2a_0 a_2}{a_1^3} - \frac{3a_0^2 a_3}{a_1^4} \right) y + \left( \frac{a_0^3 a_3}{a_1^4} - \frac{a_0}{a_1} - \frac{a_2 a_0^2}{a_1^3} \right) \end{split}$$

Hence the inverse of the cubic polynomial in (2.1) is

$$x = \frac{-a_3}{a_1^4} y^3 + \left(\frac{3a_0a_3}{a_1^4} - \frac{a_2}{a_1^3}\right) y^2 + \left(\frac{1}{a_1} + \frac{2a_0a_2}{a_1^3} - \frac{3a_0^2a_3}{a_1^4}\right) y + \left(\frac{a_0^3a_3}{a_1^4} - \frac{a_0}{a_1} - \frac{a_2a_0^2}{a_1^3}\right)$$
(2.5)

# 3. DERIVATION OF QUARTIC SPLINE INTERPOLATION FORMULA[6]

Let  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$  be a partition of [a, b]. Let  $Q_i(x)$  be the quartic spline which interpolates at the knots. [30]

Let 
$$x_{i+1} - x_i = h_i$$
,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, (n-1)$ 

Since  $Q_i(x)$  is a quartic spline its third derivative should be linear and continuous in x.

Hence 
$$Q_i^{"}(x) = M_{i+1} \frac{x - x_i}{h_i} + M_i \frac{x_{i+1} - x}{h_i}$$
,  $i = 0,1,2,..., n-1$  (3.1)

Integrating (3.1) three times we get,

$$Q_{i}(x) = \frac{M_{i+1}}{24h_{i}}(x - x_{i})^{4} - \frac{M_{i}}{24h_{i}}(x_{i+1} - x)^{4} + C_{i}(x - x_{i})(x_{i+1} - x) + D_{i}(x - x_{i})$$
$$+ E_{i}(x_{i+1} - x) , i = 0,1,2,....n - 1$$
(3.2)

Since the spline always interpolates at the nodes we have,

$$Q_{i}(x_{i}) = y_{i}$$

$$Q_{i}(x_{i+1}) = y_{i+1} i = 0,1,2,..., n-1 (3.3)$$

Since  $Q_i(x)$  is a quartic spline its first three derivatives are continuous and hence we have

$$Q_{i}^{"}(x_{i+1}) = Q_{i+1}^{"}(x_{i+1})$$

$$Q_{i}^{'}(x_{i+1}) = Q_{i+1}^{"}(x_{i+1}) i = 0,1,2,..., n-2$$

$$Q_{i}^{"}(x_{i+1}) = Q_{i+1}^{"}(x_{i+1})$$
(3.4)

The spline function has a chance to oscillate at large abscissa value, so to avoid this we take

$$Q_{n-1}(x_n) = 0 (3.5)$$

Applying (3.3) to (3.2) we get the constants  $D_i$  and  $E_i$  as

$$D_i = -\frac{M_{i+1}h_i^2}{24} + \frac{y_{i+1}}{h_i}$$

$$E_i = \frac{M_i h_i^2}{24} + \frac{y_i}{h_i} \ i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$$
 (3.6)

Differentiating (3.2) we get,

$$Q_{i}'(x) = \frac{M_{i+1}}{6h_{i}}(x - x_{i})^{3} + \frac{M_{i}}{6h_{i}}(x_{i+1} - x)^{3} + C_{i}(x_{i+1} + x_{i} - 2x) + D_{i} - E_{i}$$
(3.7)

Substituting the value of  $D_i$  and  $E_i$  in (3.7) and applying the continuity condition  $Q_i(x_{i+1}) = Q_{i+1}(x_{i+1})$  we get,

$$\frac{h_{i-1}^{2}}{24}M_{i-1} + \frac{h_{i}^{2} - h_{i-1}^{2}}{8}M_{i} - \frac{h_{i}^{2}}{24}M_{i+1} + C_{i}h_{i} + C_{i-1}h_{i-1} = \delta_{i-1} - \delta_{i}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$
(3.8)

Where 
$$\delta_i = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i} = \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{h_i}$$
,  $i = 0,1,\dots,n-1$ 

Differentiating (3.7),

$$Q_{i}''(x) = \frac{M_{i+1}}{2h_{i}}(x - x_{i})^{2} - \frac{M_{i}}{2h_{i}}(x_{i+1} - x)^{2} - 2C_{i} , i = 0,1,2,\dots,n-1$$
(3.9)

Applying the continuity condition  $Q_i^{"}(x_{i+1}) = Q_{i+1}^{"}(x_{i+1})$  in (3.9) we get,

$$C_{i-1} = C_i + \frac{(h_i + h_{i-1})}{4} M_i$$
,  $i = 1, 2, ..., n-1$  (3.10)

Substituting (3.10) in (3.8) and grouping the terms,

$$\frac{h_{i-1}^{2}}{3}M_{i-1} + \chi_{i}^{2}M_{i} - \frac{h_{i}^{2}}{3}M_{i+1} + 8\chi_{i}C_{i} = 8[\delta_{i-1} - \delta_{i}], i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$
(3.11)

Where 
$$\chi_i = h_i + h_{i-1} = x_{i+1} - x_{i-1}$$
,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  (3.12)

Hence the quartic spline is given by (3.2) where the constants  $D_i$ ,  $E_i$  and  $C_i$  are given by (3.6) and (3.10)

# 4. DERIVATION OF INVERSE QUARTIC SPLINE INTERPOLATION FORMULA USING POLYNOMIAL ITERATION METHOD

The quartic spline interpolation formula is

$$Q_{i}(x) = \frac{\left(M_{i+1} - M_{i}\right)}{24h_{i}}X_{i}^{4} + \frac{M_{i}}{6}X_{i}^{3} - \left[\frac{M_{i}h_{i}}{4} + C_{i}\right]X_{i}^{2} + \left[\frac{M_{i}h_{i}^{2}}{6} + C_{i}h_{i} + D_{i} - E_{i}\right]X_{i}$$
$$+ E_{i}h_{i} - \frac{M_{i}h_{i}^{3}}{24}$$

The above equation is also written as

$$y = l_i + m_i X_i + n_i X_i^2 + o_i X_i^3 + u_i X_i^4, i = 0,1,2,...n-1$$

Where

$$l_{i} = E_{i}h_{i} - \frac{M_{i}h_{i}^{3}}{24}$$

$$m_{i} = \left[\frac{M_{i}h_{i}^{2}}{6} + C_{i}h_{i} + D_{i} - E_{i}\right]$$

$$n_{i} = -\left[\frac{M_{i}h_{i}}{4} + C_{i}\right]$$

$$o_{i} = \frac{M_{i}}{6}u_{i} = \frac{\left(M_{i+1} - M_{i}\right)}{24h_{i}}$$
(4.1)

In the above equation polynomial iteration method is applied as follows:

$$y - l_{i} = m_{i}X_{i} + n_{i}X_{i}^{2} + o_{i}X_{i}^{3} + u_{i}X_{i}^{4}, \quad i = 0,1,2,...n-1$$

$$m_{i}X_{i} = (y - l_{i}) - n_{i}X_{i}^{2} - o_{i}X_{i}^{3} - u_{i}X_{i}^{4}, \quad i = 0,1,2,...n-1$$

$$X_{i} = \frac{(y - l_{i})}{m_{i}} - \frac{n_{i}}{m_{i}}X_{i}^{2} - \frac{o_{i}}{m_{i}}X_{i}^{3} - \frac{u_{i}}{m_{i}}X_{i}^{4}$$

$$(4.2)$$

The first approximation for  $X_i$  is obtained by neglecting higher powers of  $X_i$ 

Hence

$$X_{i}^{(1)} = \frac{y - l_{i}}{m_{i}} \tag{4.3}$$

The second approximation is obtained by substituting the value of (4.3) in (4.2)

$$X_{i}^{(2)} = \frac{y - l_{i}}{m_{i}} - \frac{n_{i}}{m_{i}} \left[ \frac{y - l_{i}}{m_{i}} \right]^{2} - \frac{o_{i}}{m_{i}} \left[ \frac{y - l_{i}}{m_{i}} \right]^{3} - \frac{u_{i}}{m_{i}} \left[ \frac{y - l_{i}}{m_{i}} \right]^{4}$$

$$X_{i}^{(2)} = \frac{y - l_{i}}{m_{i}} - \frac{n_{i}}{m_{i}} \left[ \frac{y^{2} - 2yl_{i} + l_{i}^{2}}{m_{i}^{2}} \right] - \frac{o_{i}}{m_{i}} \left[ \frac{y^{3} - 3y^{2}l_{i} + 3yl_{i}^{2} - l_{i}^{3}}{m_{i}^{3}} \right]$$

$$- \frac{u_{i}}{m_{i}} \left[ \frac{y^{4} - 4y^{3}l_{i} + 6y^{2}l_{i}^{2} - 4yl_{i}^{3} + l_{i}^{4}}{m_{i}^{4}} \right]$$

Grouping  $y^4$ ,  $y^3$ ,  $y^2$ , y and constant terms we get,

$$X_{i} = \frac{-u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}} y^{4} + \left(-\frac{o_{i}}{m_{i}^{4}} + \frac{4l_{i}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}}\right) y^{3} + \left(-\frac{n_{i}}{m_{i}^{3}} - \frac{6l_{i}^{2}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}} + \frac{3l_{i}o_{i}}{m_{i}^{4}}\right) y^{2} + \left(\frac{1}{m_{i}} + \frac{4l_{i}^{3}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}} + \frac{2n_{i}l_{i}}{m_{i}^{3}} - \frac{3o_{i}l_{i}^{2}}{m_{i}^{4}}\right) y + \left[\frac{-l_{i}}{m_{i}} - \frac{n_{i}l_{i}^{2}}{m_{i}^{3}} + \frac{l_{i}^{3}o_{i}}{m_{i}^{4}} - \frac{l_{i}^{4}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}}\right]$$

Since 
$$x - x_i = X_i$$
 we get  $x = x_i + X_i$ 

Thus the inverse quartic spline is  $Q_i^{-1}(y) = x_i + X_i$  where  $y \in [y_i, y_{i+1}]$ , i = 0, 1, ..., n-1

Hence

$$Q_{i}^{-1}(y) = x_{i} + \frac{-u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}} y^{4} + \left(-\frac{o_{i}}{m_{i}^{4}} + \frac{4l_{i}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}}\right) y^{3} + \left(-\frac{n_{i}}{m_{i}^{3}} - \frac{6l_{i}^{2}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}} + \frac{3l_{i}o_{i}}{m_{i}^{4}}\right) y^{2} + \left(\frac{1}{m_{i}} + \frac{4l_{i}^{3}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}} + \frac{2n_{i}l_{i}}{m_{i}^{3}} - \frac{3o_{i}l_{i}^{2}}{m_{i}^{4}}\right) y + \left[-\frac{l_{i}}{m_{i}} - \frac{n_{i}l_{i}^{2}}{m_{i}^{3}} + \frac{l_{i}^{3}o_{i}}{m_{i}^{4}} - \frac{l_{i}^{4}u_{i}}{m_{i}^{5}}\right]$$
(4.4)

#### 5. EXAMPLE

Consider the data points be (-1, -0.762), (-0.5, -0.462), (0, 0), (0.5, 0.462), (1, 0.762)

Since 
$$h_i=x_{i+1}-x_i$$
,  $i=0,1,\ldots,(n-1)$ , we get  $h_0=h_1=h_2=h_3=0.5$  
$$\delta_0=0.6$$
,  $\delta_1=0.924$ ,  $\delta_2=0.924$ ,  $\delta_3=0.6$  
$$\chi_1=\chi_2=\chi_3=1$$

Hence we get the following set of equation

$$\frac{h_0^2}{3}M_0 + \chi_1^2 M_1 - \frac{h_1^2}{3}M_2 + 8\chi_1 C_1 = 8[\delta_0 - \delta_1]$$

$$\frac{h_1^2}{3}M_1 + \chi_2^2 M_2 - \frac{h_2^2}{3}M_3 + 8\chi_2 C_2 = 8[\delta_1 - \delta_2]$$

$$\frac{h_2^2}{3}M_2 + \chi_3^2 M_3 - \frac{h_3^2}{3}M_4 + 8\chi_3 C_3 = 8[\delta_2 - \delta_3]$$

$$0.0833M_0 + M_1 - 0.0833M_2 + 8C_1 = -2.592$$
 Hence 
$$0.0833M_1 + M_2 - 0.0833M_3 + 8C_2 = 0$$
 
$$0.0833M_2 + M_3 - 0.0833M_4 + 8C_3 = 2.592$$
 (5.1)

### FOR NATURAL SPLINE

$$C_{n-1} = 0 \Longrightarrow C_3 = 0$$

$$C_{2} = C_{3} + \frac{h_{3} + h_{2}}{4} M_{3} = 0.25 M_{3}$$

$$C_{1} = C_{2} + \frac{h_{2} + h_{1}}{4} M_{2} = 0.25 [M_{2} + M_{3}]$$

$$C_{0} = C_{1} + \frac{h_{1} + h_{0}}{4} M_{1} = 0.25 [M_{1} + M_{2} + M_{3}]$$
(5.2)

Substituting the values of (5.2) into (5.1),

$$0.0833M_{0} + M_{1} + 1.917M_{2} + 2M_{3} = -2.592$$

$$0.0833M_{1} + M_{2} + 1.917M_{3} = 0$$

$$0.0833M_{2} + M_{3} - 0.0833M_{4} = 2.592$$

$$(5.3)$$

For natural spline  $M_0 = M_4 = 0$  and solving (5.3) we get,

$$M_1 = 3.109$$
 ,  $M_2 = -6.217$  ,  $M_3 = 3.108$ 

From (5.2), 
$$C_0 = 0$$
 ,  $C_1 = -0.7773$  ,  $C_2 = 0.777$  ,  $C_3 = 0$ 

Using (3.6), (4.2.1), (4.2.4) we get

$D_0 = -0.9564$	$D_1 = 0.065$	$D_2 = 0.892$	$D_3 = 1.524$
$E_0 = -1.524$	$E_1 = -0.892$	$E_2 = -0.065$	$E_3 = 0.9564$
$m_0 = 0.5676$	$m_1 = 0.698$	$m_2 = 1.086$	$m_3 = 0.697$
$n_0 = 0$	$n_1 = 0.389$	$n_2 = 0.00013$	$n_3 = -0.389$
$o_0 = 0$	$o_1 = 0.518$	$o_2 = -1.036$	$o_3 = 0.518$
$u_0 = 0.259$	$u_1 = -0.777$	$u_2 = 0.777$	$u_3 = -0.259$
$l_0 = -0.762$	$l_1 = -0.462$	$l_2 = -0.0001$	$l_3 = 0.462$

Using (4.4), the inverse natural spline in each interval is

$$Q^{-1}(y) = \begin{cases} -4.396y^4 - 13.399y^3 - 15.316y^2 - 6.019y - 1.139, y \in [-0.762, -0.462] \\ 4.689y^4 + 6.484y^3 + 1.837y^2 + 0.828y - 0.084, y \in [-0.462, 0] \\ -0.5144y^4 + 0.745y^3 + 0.0001y^2 + 0.921y + 0.0001, y \in [0, 0.462] \\ 1.574y^4 - 5.104y^3 + 6.2072y^2 - 1.653y + 0.371, y \in [0.462, 0.762] \end{cases}$$

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