

ASE 211 Homework 8 Solution

1. Write an m-file which takes as input the data points (x_i, y_i) $i = 1, \dots, n$ and constructs the spline matrix and right hand side, and solves for the vector of second derivatives.

```
function [S]=splinemat(x,y,n)
% function solves for the vector of second derivatives
% of a spline function
%
for i=1:n-1
    h(i)=x(i+1)-x(i);
end
A(1,1)=1;
A(n,n)=1;
b(1)=0;
b(n)=0;
for i=2:n-1
    A(i,i)=2*(h(i-1)+h(i));
    b(i)=6*((y(i+1)-y(i))/h(i)-(y(i)-y(i-1))/h(i-1)));
end
for i=2:n-2
    A(i,i+1)=h(i);
    A(i+1,i)=h(i);
end
b=b'
S=A\b;
```

2. Write another m-file which takes as input the vector of second derivatives, and the data points, and computes the coefficients of the spline function.

```
function [a,b,c,d]=evalcoef(x,y,n,S)
for i=1:n-1
    h(i)=x(i+1)-x(i);
end
for i=1:n-1
    b(i)=S(i)/2;
    a(i)=(S(i+1)-S(i))/(6*h(i));
    c(i)=(y(i+1)-y(i))/h(i)-(S(i+1)-S(i))/6*h(i)-S(i)/2*h(i);
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    d(i)=y(i);  
end
```

3. Test your program on the data in problem A8.7. Plot your spline function, and find the value of the spline at $T = 50$.

```
function plot_spline(a,b,c,d,n,x,y)  
% function which plots a spline given its coefficients  
% a(i),b(i),c(i),d(i), i=1 to n-1  
% and the data points x(i), i=1 to n  
%  
aa=x(1);  
bb=x(n);  
h=(bb-aa)/100;  
for i=1:100  
    xx(i)=aa+i*h;  
    for j=1:n-1  
        if ((x(j) <= xx(i)) & (xx(i) <= x(j+1)))  
            yy(i)=a(j)*(xx(i)-x(j))^3+b(j)*(xx(i)-x(j))^2+c(j)*(xx(i)-x(j))+d(j);  
        end  
    end  
end  
end  
plot(xx,yy,x,y,'+')  
% evaluate the spline at t=50
```

```
>> x=[40; 48; 56; 64; 72]
```

```
x =
```

```
    40  
    48  
    56  
    64  
    72
```

```
>> y=[55.3; 83.7; 123.8; 179.2; 254.5]
```

```
y =
```

```
55.3000
83.7000
123.8000
179.2000
254.5000
```

```
>> n=5;
>> S=splinemat(x,y,n)
```

```
A =
```

```
1    0    0    0    0
0   32    8    0    0
0    8   32    8    0
0    0    8   32    0
0    0    0    0    1
```

```
b =
```

```
0
8.7750
11.4750
14.9250
0
```

```
S =
```

```
0
0.2247
0.1982
0.4169
0
```

```
>> [a,b,c,d]=evalcoef(x,y,n,S)
```

```
a =
```

```
0.0047 -0.0006 0.0046 -0.0087
```

```
b =
```

```
0 0.1123 0.0991 0.2084
```

```
c =
```

```
3.2504 4.1491 5.8406 8.3009
```

```
d =
```

```
55.3000 83.7000 123.8000 179.2000
```

```
>> plot_spline(a,b,c,d,n,x,y)  
the value at t=50
```

```
yt =
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```
92.4431
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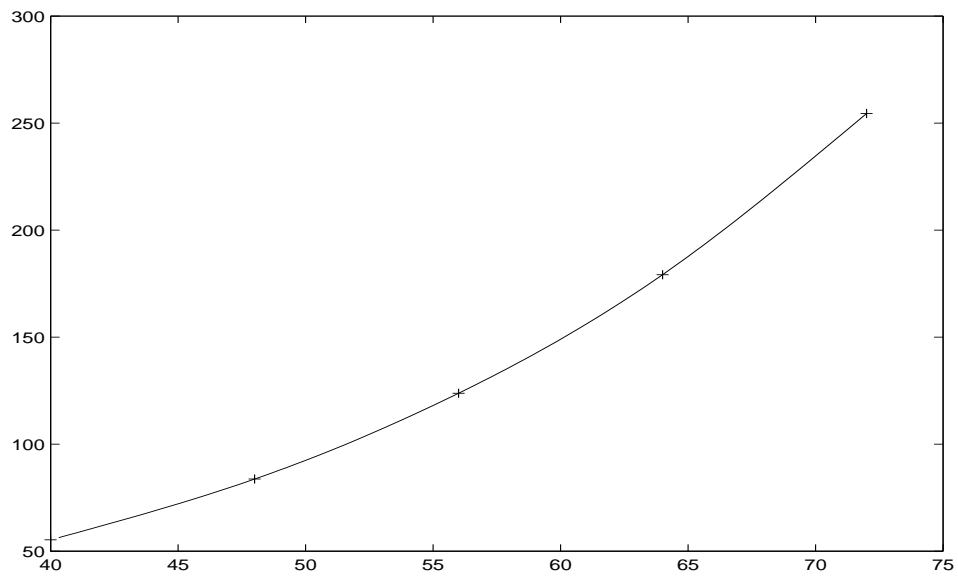


Figure 1: Plot of spline