

A new interpolation method for splines of any degree

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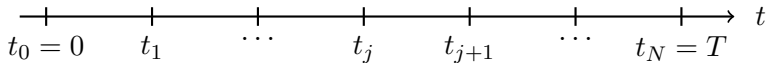


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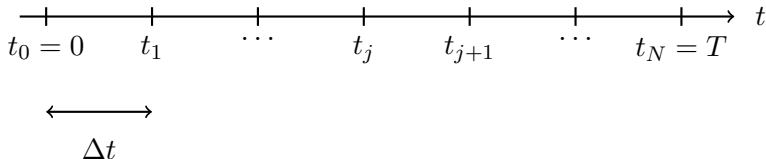


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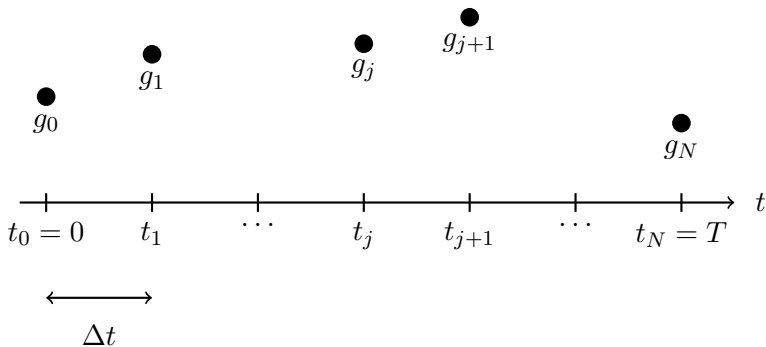


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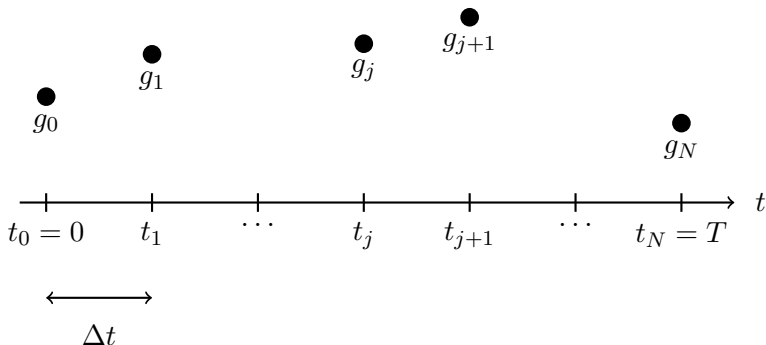


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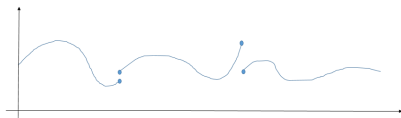


Figure: Example of a function that is not a spline.

Figure: Example of a cubic spline with natural boundary conditions
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It is then possible to compute the numerical derivatives of g when N and θ are not simultaneously chosen as even integers. New

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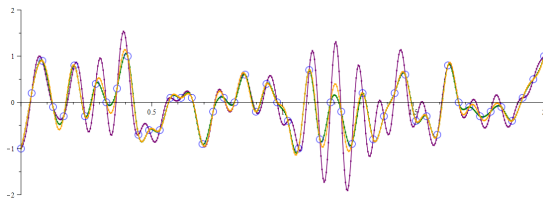
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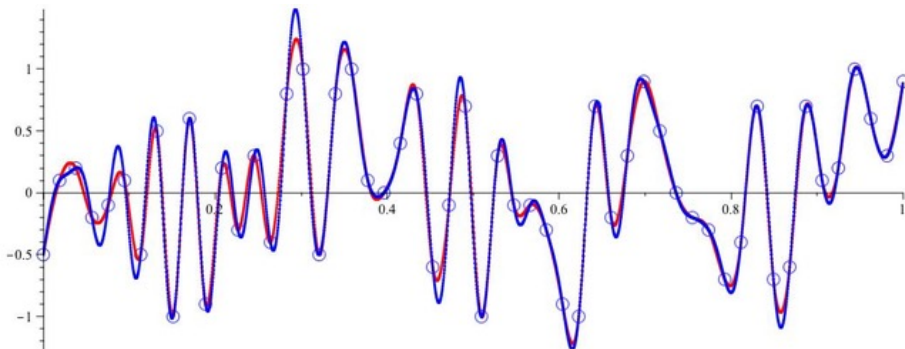
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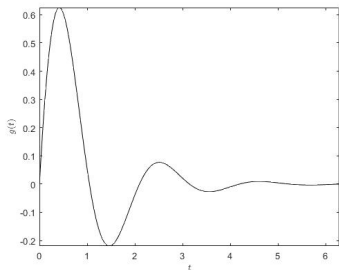
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Algorithms to approximate the boundary conditions

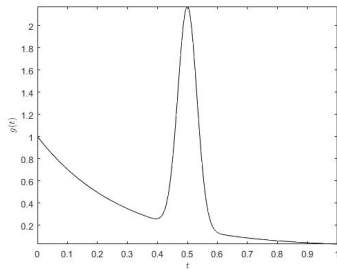
Methods based on:

$$\min_B \|g_\theta(t) - g_{\theta-1}(t)\|_2^2$$





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OM: Our method Function: $g(t) = \sin(3t)e^{-t}$ on $[0, 2\pi]$
NS: Natural boundary conditions
NAK: Not-a-knot boundary conditions

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101	E_{θ}^{\max}	1.07×10^{-04}	1.15×10^{-03}	3.92×10^{-05}
	E_{θ}^{avg}	1.19×10^{-06}	1.08×10^{-05}	5.65×10^{-07}
501	E_{θ}^{\max}	9.79×10^{-07}	4.63×10^{-05}	6.65×10^{-08}
	E_{θ}^{avg}	2.21×10^{-09}	8.69×10^{-08}	5.18×10^{-10}

Table: $\theta = 3$

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	E_{θ}^{avg}	6.20×10^{-09}
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501	E_{θ}^{\max}	4.67×10^{-19}
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Solution: we need to add more interpolation nodes.

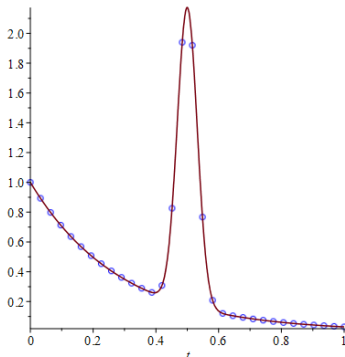
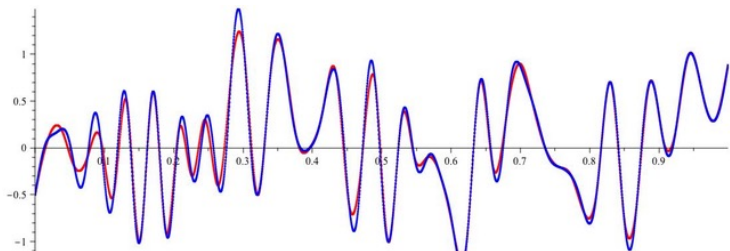


Figure: Distribution of $N + 1 = 32$ interpolation nodes on the interval $[0, 1]$ of the function $g(t) = 2 \exp\left(-500 \left(t - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2\right) + \exp\left(-\frac{7}{2}t\right)$.

Conclusions

- New method to compute higher degree splines;
 - Continuity of the piecewise polynomials has been formally demonstrated;
 - The determinant of the matrix $M_{\theta,k}$ has been analyzed;
 - Algorithms for the approximation of the boundary conditions has been developed.
- **Future projects:** generalization to non equidistant nodes, generalization to higher dimension interpolation, in-depth study of the algorithms for the calculation of the boundary conditions, ...



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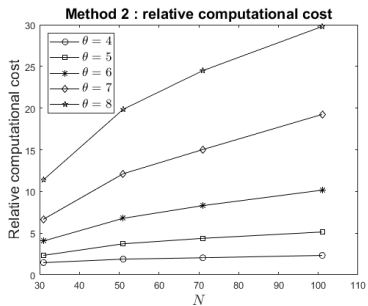
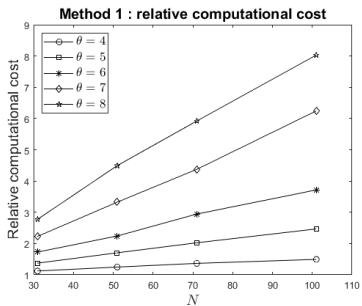
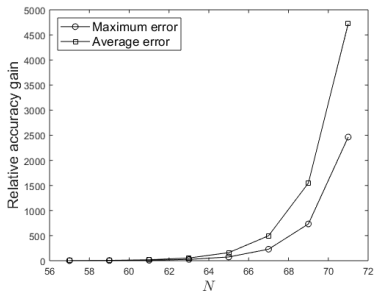
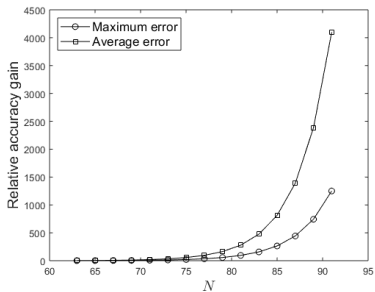


Figure: Relative computational cost for Algorithms 1 and 2 [Pepin et al., 2022].



(a) Example 1



(b) Example 2

Figure: Relative accuracy gain ($\theta = 11$ vs $\theta = 3$) in terms of N .