

31. Short Term Consistency Relations for Doubly Polynomial Splines

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By making use of the B -spline $Q_{m+1}(x)$:

$$Q_{m+1}(x) = (1/m!) \sum_{i=0}^{m+1} (-1)^i \binom{m+1}{i} (x-i)_+^m$$

where

$$(x-i)_+^m = \begin{cases} (x-i)^m & \text{for } x \geq i \\ 0 & \text{for } x < i, \end{cases}$$

we consider a quartic spline $s(x)$ of the form:

$$s(x) = \sum_{i=-4}^{n-1} \alpha_i Q_5(x/h-i), \quad nh=1.$$

Then the following short term consistency relation has been obtained by Usmani ([6]):

$$(*) \quad (s_{i+1} - 2s_i + s_{i-1}) = (h^2/12)(s''_{i+1} + 10s''_i + s''_{i-1})$$

where $s_i = s(ih)$ and $s''_i = s''(ih)$. The above relation has been generalized for even degree polynomial splines ([3]). For odd degree polynomial splines, we also have short term consistency relations at mid-points ([4]). For example, let $s(x)$ be a cubic, then

$$(**) \quad (s_{i+3/2} - 2s_{i+1/2} + s_{i-1/2}) = (h^2/24)(s''_{i+3/2} + 22s''_{i+1/2} + s''_{i-1/2})$$

where $s_{i+1/2} = s((i+1/2)h)$ and $s''_{i+1/2} = s''((i+1/2)h)$.

In the present paper we shall generalize the above relations (*) and (**) for doubly polynomial splines.

Let $s(x, y)$ be a polynomial spline of the form:

$$s(x, y) = \sum_{i,j=-m}^{n-1} \alpha_{i,j} Q_{m+1}(x/h-i) Q_{m+1}(y/h-j).$$

Then we have

Theorem 1. *If m is even and $k, l (\leq m-2)$ are also even, we have*

$$\sum_{i,j=0}^{m-2} c_{i,j}^{(k,l)} s_{i,j} = h^{k+l} \sum_{i,j=0}^{m-2} c_{i,j}^{(0,0)} s_{i,j}^{(k,l)}$$

where

$$s_{i,j}^{(k,l)} = \frac{\partial^{k+l}}{\partial x^k \partial y^l} s(ih, jh)$$

$$c_{i,j}^{(k,l)} = \{Q_{m+1}^{(k)}(m-i) - Q_{m+1}^{(k)}(m-i+1) + \dots\}$$

$$\times \{Q_{m+1}^{(l)}(m-j) - Q_{m+1}^{(l)}(m-j+1) + \dots\}.$$

Proof. The following m^2 -term consistency relation holds: