
Subject: Re: Savitzky-Golay filter

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On Nov 11, 10:18 am, wlandsman <wlands...@gmail.com> wrote:

> On Nov 11, 5:12 am, Dav_Poreh <d.po...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> Folks

>> Hi;

>> I am running Savitzky-Golay filter to take the derivations (first and
>> second order). In comparison to derive function there is remarkable
>> difference between Savitzky-Golay and routine derivation. I don't know
>> which one is correct. Does this back to Taylor approximation or
>> something else?

>> Any help kindly appreciated

>> Cheers

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> First of all, there is no single "correct" answer. You don't have a
> continuous function to compute a derivative, but rather a sampled,
> finite set of points. In the Savitzky-Golay filter one uses a local
> polynomial approximation at each point, and then takes a derivative
> of the polynomial. (So the derivative depends on the order of the
> polynomial approximation, among other things.) You don't say what
> your other method of computing the derivative is, but deriv.pro uses
> a 3 point interpolation.

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> I would expect the two methods to give a similar answer for a smooth
> function, but wouldn't be surprised to see them differ for a poorly-
> sampled, or non-smooth function.

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> --Wayne

Thanks Wayne.

Cheers
