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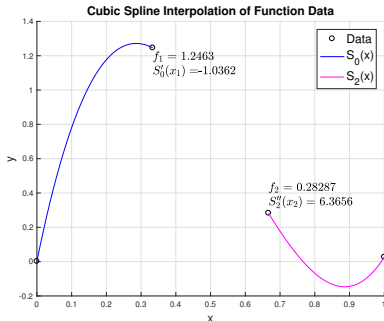
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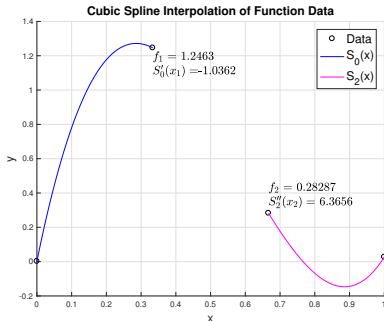
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3. **Goal:** Compute the coefficients required to plot the missing $S_1(x)$

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5. End point Conditions (e.g Natural, Clamped, Not-a-knot,...)

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The last two equations impose Not-a-knot end point conditions!

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$$S_1(x_2) = 1.2463 + \frac{1}{3}b_1 + \frac{1}{9}c_1 + \frac{1}{27}d_1 = 0.28287$$

$$S'_1(x_1) = b_1 = -1.0362$$

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Which has the solution:

$$c_1 = -9.9344, \quad d_1 = 13.1175$$

Cubic Splines - Check our answer

Once we have values for b_1, c_1, d_1 , fill in the vector $c1$ in the code so that it has the form

$$c1 = [d_1 \ c_1 \ b_1 \ f_1]$$

Run the code again and see if you correctly computed $S_1(x)$