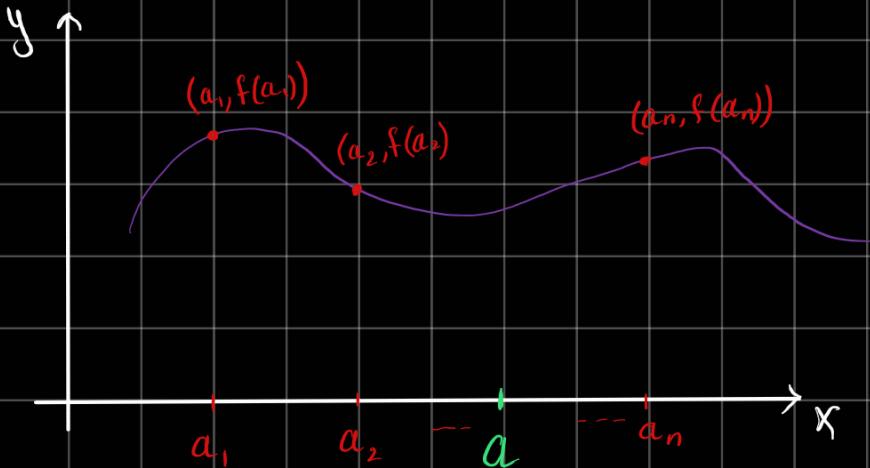


Numerical Differentiation:

Lec 10 & 11



Finite difference formula: (Linear combination of data values)

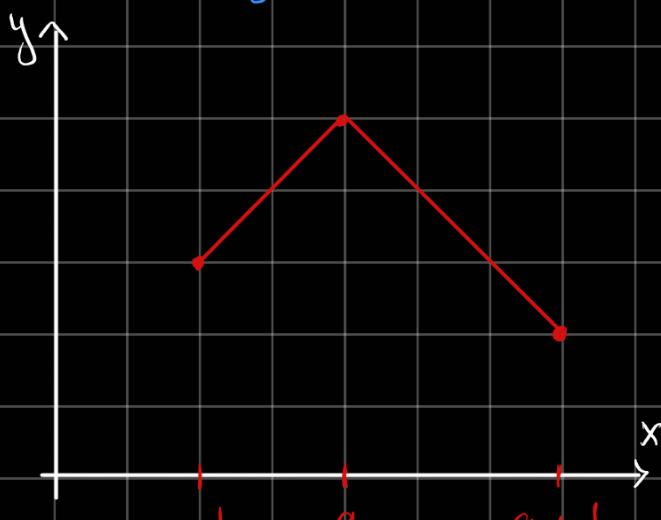
$$f'(a) \approx C_1 f(a_1) + C_2 f(a_2) + \dots + C_n f(a_n)$$

How do we find the coefficients C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n depending on $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$, and a ?

$$f'(a) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \quad \text{for functions}$$

$$f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \quad \text{for discrete points}$$

* getting rid of limit process, introduces a Truncation Error



$$f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} \quad \text{Forward difference}$$

$$f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a-h) - f(a)}{-h} \quad \text{Backward difference}$$

$$f'(a) \approx \frac{1}{2} \left(\text{Forward difference} + \text{Backward difference} \right) \rightarrow f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a+h) - f(a-h)}{2h} \quad \text{Centered difference}$$

How good are these formulas?

Taylor Series help!

$$f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \frac{f'''(a)}{3!}(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

* Use this for forward difference:

$$f(\underbrace{a+h}_x) = f(a) + \overbrace{f'(a) \cdot h}^{\uparrow} + \frac{f''(a) \cdot h^2}{2!} + \frac{f'''(a) \cdot h^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} = f'(a) + \underbrace{\left\{ \frac{f''(a)}{2!} h + \frac{f'''(a)}{3!} h^2 + \dots \right\}}_{\text{Truncation Error}}$$

Dominant term of the truncation error.

Differentiation via Lagrange Interpolation:

$$f_n^{(m)} \underset{\text{defined as}}{\approx} \frac{d^m}{dx^m} P_n(x) \quad \rightarrow \text{Lagrange polynomial}$$

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)! \cdot k!}$$

for case $n = m$:

$$\approx \sum_{i=0}^n y_i \frac{(-1)^{n-i}}{h} \binom{n}{i}$$

$\begin{matrix} \text{biggest } x\text{-value} \\ h = \frac{x_n - x_0}{n} = \frac{b - a}{n} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{The least value} \end{matrix}$

for case $n > m$

$$\approx \frac{d^m}{dx^m} \sum_{i=0}^n y_i \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$$

Assuming: 3 data points, 1st derivative

$f'(x_0) \approx \rightarrow$ Forward difference

$f'(x_1) \approx \rightarrow$ Central diff.

$f'(x_2) \approx \rightarrow$ Backward diff.

assume: Aequidistant nodes

usually x_0, x_n , & n are known, from that we can get the step size (h),
and then we can get all (any) $x_i = x_0 + i \cdot h$

When we need only one specific finite difference formula, the following method using Taylor series is often easier & faster than using Lagrange Interpolation.



Want derivative at a

$$f'(a) \approx C_1 f(a) + C_2 f(a+h) + C_3 f(a+2h)$$

Goal: Approximate with the highest possible order.

Definition

The Taylor series of f about a is

$$f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \frac{f'''(a)}{3!}(x-a)^3 + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n$$

A Taylor series about 0

$$f(0) + f'(0) \cdot x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!} x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!} x^3 + \dots$$

is called Maclaurin Series

Worksheet 5:

$$Q_1: f(x) = e^x$$

Taylor series around $(x=0)$:

$$F(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \dots$$

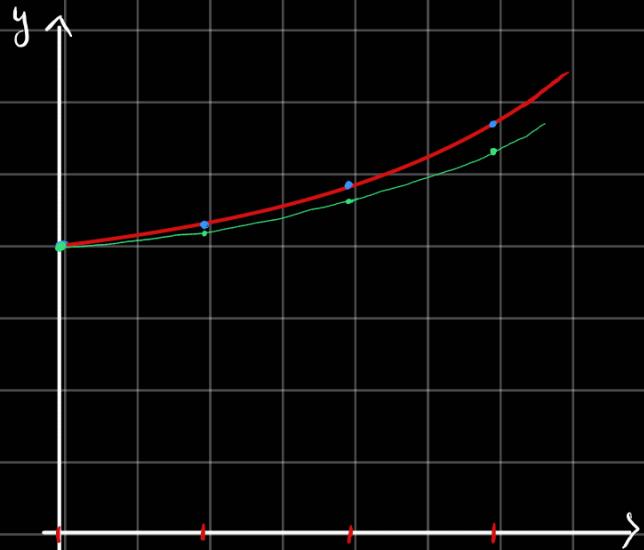
a) Compute the divided difference $f'(x)$ using $[0, h, 2h, 3h]$ for $(h=0.1)$

b) Compare the computed & the actual value.

$$F'(x) = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots$$

$$f'(x) = e^x$$

x	$F'(x)$	$f'(x)$	$f'(x) - F'(x)$
0	1	1	0
0.1	1.105170833	1.105170918	8.474×10^{-8}
0.2	1.221402758		2.75816×10^{-6}
0.3	1.34984	1.34986	2.13×10^{-5}



b)

comparing $F'(x)$ & $f'(x)$
we can see that the
higher the (h) goes, the
bigger the error we
have between the
actual & approximated
functions.

Question 2:

Consider the function

$$f(x) = x + \sin(x).$$

a) Use the central difference formula with a step size of h to approximate the first derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = \pi/3$. Calculate the approximation for $h = 0.1$ and $h = 0.01$.

b) Compare the approximations obtained in part (a) with the exact value of $f'(\pi/3) = 1 + \cos(\pi/3)$.

Centered difference formula

$$f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a+h) - f(a-h)}{2h} \quad a = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

$$\text{at } h = 0.1 \rightarrow f'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \approx \frac{\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + 0.1\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + 0.1\right)\right) - \left(\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 0.1\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 0.1\right)\right)}{2(0.1)}$$
$$\approx 1.499167083$$

$$\text{at } h = 0.01 \rightarrow f'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \approx \frac{\left(\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + 0.01\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} + 0.01\right)\right) - \left(\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 0.01\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 0.01\right)\right)}{2(0.01)}$$
$$\approx 1.499991667$$

b) actual value $f'\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = 1 + \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) = 1.5$

The smaller the step size, the higher the accuracy (smaller error)

TU 4 → Q5

$$f(x) = \sin(x)$$

$$f'(x) = \cos(x)$$

a) $f'(a) \approx \frac{f(a+h) - f(a-h)}{2h}$

$$f'(1) \approx \cos(1) \approx 0.5403023$$

$$f'(1) \approx \frac{\sin(1+h) - \sin(1-h)}{2h}$$

b)

$$\text{at } h = 0.1 \rightarrow f'(1) \approx 0.5394$$

$$\text{abs err} = 9.00537 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\text{relative} \approx 0.166\%$$

$$\text{at } h = 0.01 \rightarrow f'(1) \approx 0.540293301 \quad \text{abs err} = 9.005 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{relative err} \approx 1.667 \times 10^{-3}\%$$

Q1) $n = \text{no des} - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$

$$f(x) = \sin(2x)$$

x	0	$\frac{\pi}{4}$	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	$\frac{3\pi}{4}$
y	0	1	0	-1

$$L(x) = \sum_{i=0}^3 y_i \cdot \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^3 \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}$$

$$L(x) = 0 + 1 \cdot \frac{x - 0}{\frac{\pi}{4} - 0} \cdot \frac{x - \frac{\pi}{2}}{\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{2}} \cdot \frac{x - \frac{3\pi}{4}}{\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{3\pi}{4}} + 0$$

$$+ (-1) \cdot \frac{x - 0}{\frac{3\pi}{4} - 0} \cdot \frac{x - \frac{\pi}{4}}{\frac{3\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{4}} \cdot \frac{x - \frac{\pi}{2}}{\frac{3\pi}{4} - \frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$L(x) = -\frac{32}{\pi^3} \left(x^3 - \frac{5\pi}{4} x^2 + \frac{3\pi^2}{8} x \right) - \frac{32}{3\pi^3} \left(x^3 - \frac{3\pi}{4} x^2 + \frac{\pi^2}{8} x \right)$$

$$L(x) = -\frac{128}{3\pi^3} x^3 + \frac{48}{\pi^2} x^2 - \frac{40}{3\pi} x$$

$$L(2.5) \approx -1.714997402$$

$$f(2.5) = -0.9589243$$

$$\text{relative error} = \frac{|f(2.5) - L(2.5)|}{|f(2.5)|} \approx 0.78846$$

