

# Numerical Analysis

## Newton-Cotes Integration Formula



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## Lecture Note : Numerical Analysis - Newton-Cotes Integration Formula

### 1. Introduction to the Numerical Integration and Newton-Cotes Integration

#### ○ Numerical Integration

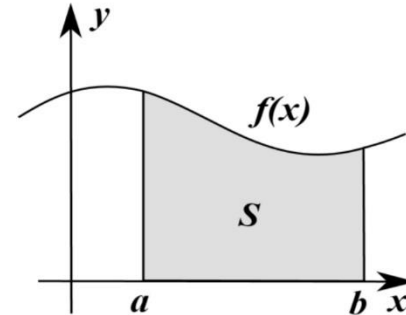
$$S = \int_a^b f(x)dx \approx I_n = \int_a^b f_n(x)dx \quad \text{where } f_n(x) \text{ is the approximating function}$$

#### ○ Exact Integration of Polynomials and Newton-Cotes Integration

$$\int_a^b x^k dx = \frac{x^{k+1}}{k+1} \Big|_a^b = \begin{cases} \ln b - \ln a & \text{if } k = -1 \\ \frac{b^{k+1}}{k+1} - \frac{a^{k+1}}{k+1} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{For } f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 \cdots + a_{m-1}x^{m-1} + a_mx^m = \sum a_jx^j$$

$$I = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x)dx = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \sum a_jx^j dx = \sum a_j \int_{x_1}^{x_2} x^j dx = \sum \frac{a_j}{j+1} (x_2^{j+1} - x_1^{j+1})$$



The Newton-Cotes integration method approximates  $f(x)$  with interpolating polynomials to numerically calculate the integration of  $I = \int_a^b f(x)dx$ .

## 2. Divided-Difference Interpolation Formula revisited and Integration

○  $n^{\text{th}}$  order polynomial interpolation function can be defined using the divided-difference formula as

$$f_n(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + \cdots + b_{n-1}(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1}) \\ + b_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1})(x - x_n)$$

$$b_0 = f[x_0]$$

$$b_1 = f[x_1, x_0]$$

$$b_2 = f[x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

$$\vdots$$

$$b_{n-2} = f[x_{n-2}, \cdots, x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

$$b_{n-1} = f[x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \cdots, x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

$$b_n = f[x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \cdots, x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

In general, if we define the following divided difference formula,

$$0^{\text{th}} \text{ order: } f[x_i] = f(x_i)$$

$$1^{\text{st}} \text{ order: } f[x_i, x_j] = \frac{f[x_i] - f[x_j]}{(x_i - x_j)}$$

$$2^{\text{nd}} \text{ order: } f[x_i, x_j, x_k] = \frac{f[x_i, x_j] - f[x_j, x_k]}{(x_i - x_k)}$$

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$$n^{\text{th}} \text{ order: } f[x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-1}, \cdots, x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \cdots, x_1] - f[x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \cdots, x_1, x_0]}{(x_n - x_0)}$$

○ In case of equal spacing such as  $h = |x_{j+1} - x_j|$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$

- 1<sup>st</sup> order with two points  $x_0, x_1$

$$f_n(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0)$$

$$b_0 = f[x_0] = f(x_0)$$

$$b_1 = f[x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_1] - f[x_0]}{(x_1 - x_0)} = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx \approx \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f_n(x) dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \{b_0 + b_1(x - x_0)\} dx$$

$$= b_0(x - x_0) + \frac{1}{2} b_1(x - x_0)^2 \Big|_{x_0}^{x_1} = b_0(x_1 - x_0) + \frac{1}{2} b_1(x_1 - x_0)^2 = b_0 h + \frac{1}{2} b_1 h^2$$

$$= f(x_0)h + \frac{1}{2} \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{h} h^2$$

$$= f(x_0)h + \frac{1}{2} \{f(x_1) - f(x_0)\}h$$

$$= \frac{h}{2} \{f(x_0) + f(x_1)\}$$

**Trapezoidal Formula**

$$I \approx \frac{h}{2} \{f(x_0) + f(x_1)\}$$

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order with three points  $x_0, x_1, x_2$

$$\begin{aligned} f_n(x) &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \\ &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_0 + x_0 - x_1) \\ &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)^2 - b_2(x - x_0)(x_1 - x_0) \end{aligned}$$

$$b_0 = f[x_0] = f(x_0)$$

$$b_1 = f[x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_1] - f[x_0]}{(x_1 - x_0)} = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

$$b_2 = f[x_2, x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_2, x_1] - f[x_1, x_0]}{(x_2 - x_0)} = \frac{f(x_2) - 2f(x_1) + f(x_0)}{2h^2}$$

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x)dx \approx \int_{x_0}^{x_2} f_n(x)dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= b_0(x - x_0) + \frac{1}{2}b_1(x - x_0)^2 + \frac{1}{3}b_2(x - x_0)^3 - \frac{1}{2}b_2(x - x_0)^2(x_1 - x_0) \Big|_{x_0}^{x_2} \\ &= b_0(x_2 - x_0) + \frac{1}{2}b_1(x_2 - x_0)^2 + \frac{1}{3}b_2(x_2 - x_0)^3 - \frac{1}{2}b_2(x_2 - x_0)^2(x_1 - x_0) \leftarrow x_2 - x_0 = 2h \\ &= 2b_0h + 2b_1h^2 + \frac{8}{3}b_2h^3 - 2b_2h^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x)dx \approx \int_{x_0}^{x_2} f_n(x)dx \\
 &= 2f(x_0)h + 2\{f(x_1) - f(x_0)\}h + \frac{1}{3}\{f(x_2) - 2f(x_1) + f(x_0)\}h \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}\{f(x_2) + 4f(x_1) + f(x_0)\}h
 \end{aligned}$$

**Simpson's 1/3 Rule**

$$I \approx \frac{h}{3}\{f(x_2) + 4f(x_1) + f(x_0)\}$$

- 3rd order with four points  $x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_n(x) &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + b_3(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \\
 &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + b_3(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \\
 &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)^2 - b_2(x - x_0)(x_1 - x_0) \\
 &\quad + b_3(x - x_0)(x - x_0 + x_0 - x_1)(x - x_0 + x_0 - x_2) \\
 &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)^2 - b_2(x - x_0)(x_1 - x_0) \\
 &\quad + b_3(x - x_0)(x - x_0 - h)(x - x_0 - 2h) \\
 &= b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)^2 - b_2(x - x_0)(x_1 - x_0) + b_3(x - x_0)^3 - 3b_3(x - x_0)^2 h + 2(x - x_0)h^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$b_0 = f[x_0] = f(x_0)$$

$$b_1 = f[x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_1] - f[x_0]}{(x_1 - x_0)} = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

$$b_2 = f[x_2, x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_2, x_1] - f[x_1, x_0]}{(x_2 - x_0)} = \frac{f(x_2) - 2f(x_1) + f(x_0)}{2h^2}$$

$$b_3 = f[x_3, x_2, x_1, x_0] = \frac{f[x_3, x_2, x_1] - f[x_2, x_1, x_0]}{(x_3 - x_0)} = \frac{f(x_3) - 3f(x_2) + 3f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{6h^3}$$



# Simpson's Integration Formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_{x_0}^{x_3} f(x)dx \approx \int_{x_0}^{x_3} f_n(x)dx \\
 &= \left. b_0(x-x_0) + \frac{1}{2}b_1(x-x_0)^2 + b_2(x-x_0)(x-x_1) + \frac{1}{3}b_1(x-x_0)^3 - \frac{1}{2}b_2(x-x_0)^2(x_1-x_0) \right|_{x_0}^{x_3} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{4}b_3(x-x_0)^4 - b_3(x-x_0)^3h + b_3(x-x_0)^2h^2 \\
 &= \left( b_0(x_3-x_0) + \frac{1}{2}b_1(x_3-x_0)^2 + \frac{1}{3}b_2(x_3-x_0)^3 - \frac{1}{2}b_2(x_3-x_0)^2(x_1-x_0) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{4}b_3(x_3-x_0)^4 - b_3(x_3-x_0)^3h + b_3(x_3-x_0)^2h^2 \right) \leftarrow x_3 - x_0 = 3h \\
 &= 3b_0h + \frac{9}{2}b_1h^2 + 9b_2h^3 - \frac{9}{2}b_2h^3 + \frac{81}{4}b_3h^4 - 27b_3h^4 + 9b_3h^4 \\
 &= 3b_0h + \frac{9}{2}b_1h^2 + \frac{9}{2}b_2h^3 + \frac{9}{4}b_3h^4 \\
 &= 3f(x_0)h + \frac{9}{2} \left\{ \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{h} \right\} h^2 + \frac{9}{2} \left\{ \frac{f(x_2) - 2f(x_1) + f(x_0)}{2h^2} \right\} h^3 + \frac{9}{4} \left( \frac{f(x_3) - 3f(x_2) + 3f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{6h^3} \right) h^4 \\
 &= 3f(x_0)h + \frac{9}{2} \{f(x_1) - f(x_0)\}h + \frac{9}{4} \{f(x_2) - 2f(x_1) + f(x_0)\}h + \frac{3}{8} (f(x_3) - 3f(x_2) + 3f(x_1) - f(x_0))h \\
 &= \frac{3}{8} \{f(x_3) + 3f(x_2) + 3f(x_1) + f(x_0)\}h
 \end{aligned}$$

**Simpson's 3/8 Rule**  $I \approx \frac{3h}{8} \{f(x_3) + 3f(x_2) + 3f(x_1) + f(x_0)\}$

## 3. Multiple Application of Newton-Cotes Integration Formula

**Trapezoidal Formula**  $I_k \approx \frac{h}{2} \{f(x_k) + f(x_{k+1})\}, \quad x \in [x_k, x_{k+1}]$

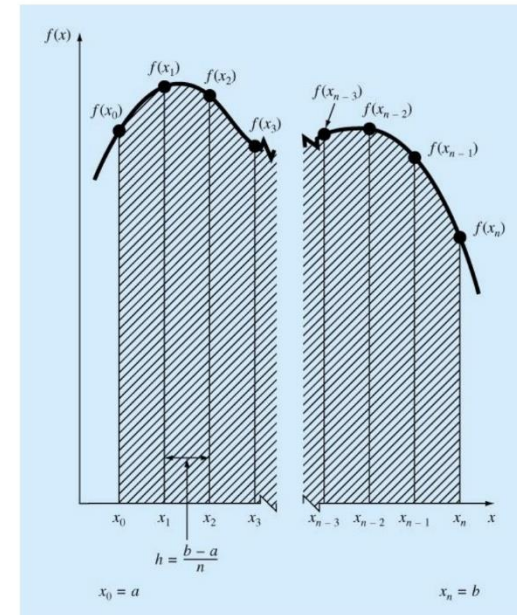
**Simpson's 1/3 Rule**  $I_k \approx \frac{h}{3} \{f(x_k) + 4f(x_{k+1}) + f(x_{k+2})\}, \quad x \in [x_k, x_{k+2}]$

**Simpson's 3/8 Rule**  $I \approx \frac{3h}{8} \{f(x_k) + 3f(x_{k+1}) + 3f(x_{k+2}) + f(x_{k+3})\}, \quad x \in [x_k, x_{k+3}]$

### (3-1) Trapezoidal

$$I_k \approx \frac{h}{2} \{f(x_k) + f(x_{k+1})\}, \quad x \in [x_k, x_{k+1}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_a^b f(x) dx \\ &\approx \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} I_k \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \left[ \frac{h}{2} \{f(x_k) + f(x_{k+1})\} \right] \\ &= \frac{h}{2} \{f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \cdots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n)\} \end{aligned}$$



## (3-2) Simpson's 1/3 Rule

$$I_{2k} \approx \frac{h}{3} \{f(x_{2k}) + 4f(x_{2k+1}) + f(x_{2k+2})\}, \quad x \in [x_k, x_{k+2}], \quad 2k = 0, 2, 4, 6, \dots, n-2$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \sum_{k=0}^{n/2-1} I_{2k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n/2-1} \left[ \frac{h}{3} \{f(x_{2k}) + 4f(x_{2k+1}) + f(x_{2k+2})\} \right] = \frac{h}{3} \left\{ f(x_0) + 4 \sum_{k=0}^{n/2-1} f(x_{2k+1}) + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{n/2-1} f(x_{2k+2}) + f(x_n) \right\} \\ &= \frac{h}{3} \left\{ f(x_0) + 4 \sum_{k=1,3,5,\dots}^{n-1} f(x_k) + 2 \sum_{k=2,4,6,\dots}^{n-2} f(x_k) + f(x_n) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

## (3-3) Simpson's 8/3 Rule

$$I_{3k} \approx \frac{3h}{8} \{f(x_{3k}) + 3f(x_{3k+1}) + 3f(x_{3k+2}) + f(x_{3k+3})\}, \quad x \in [x_k, x_{k+3}], \quad 3k = 0, 3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3$$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \sum_{k=0}^{n/3-1} I_{3k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n/3-1} \left[ \frac{3h}{8} \{f(x_{3k}) + 3f(x_{3k+1}) + 3f(x_{3k+2}) + f(x_{3k+3})\} \right] \\ &= \frac{3h}{8} \left\{ f(x_0) + 3 \sum_{k=0}^{n/3-1} (f(x_{3k+1}) + f(x_{3k+2})) + 2 \sum_{k=0}^{n/3-1} f(x_{3k+3}) + f(x_n) \right\} \\ &= \frac{h}{3} \left\{ f(x_0) + 3 \sum_{k=1,4,7,\dots}^{n-2} (f(x_k) + f(x_{k+1})) + 2 \sum_{k=3,6,9,\dots}^{n-3} f(x_k) + f(x_n) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

## 4. Integration With unequal segments

○ By using the divided-difference formula, we can drive the related formula

$$f_n(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + \cdots + b_{n-1}(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1}) + b_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1})(x - x_n)$$

$$b_0 = f[x_0]$$

$$b_1 = f[x_1, x_0]$$

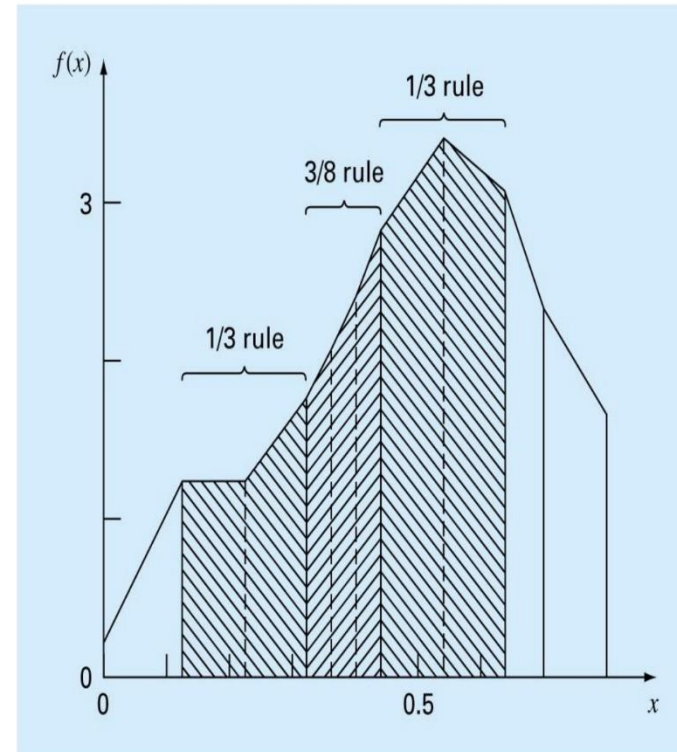
$$b_2 = f[x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

$$\vdots$$

$$b_{n-2} = f[x_{n-2}, \dots, x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

$$b_{n-1} = f[x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_2, x_1, x_0]$$

$$b_n = f[x_n, x_{n-1}, x_{n-2}, \dots, x_2, x_1, x_0]$$



# End of Lecture

