

# NUMERICAL METHODS

$$U^{n+1} = U^n + \Delta t f(U^n)$$


$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + V \cdot \nabla v = \nabla \cdot (k \nabla v) + g(v)$$

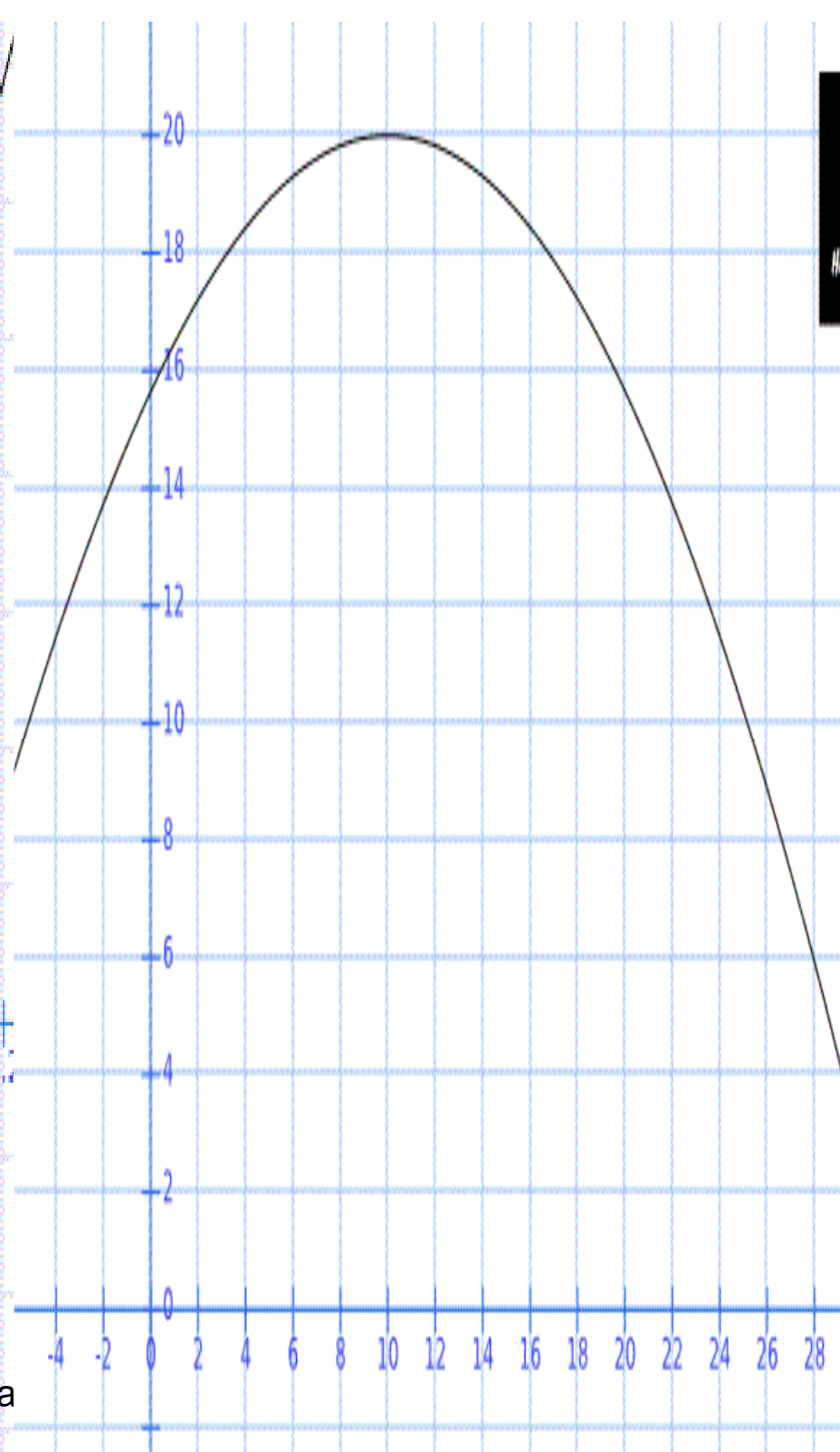
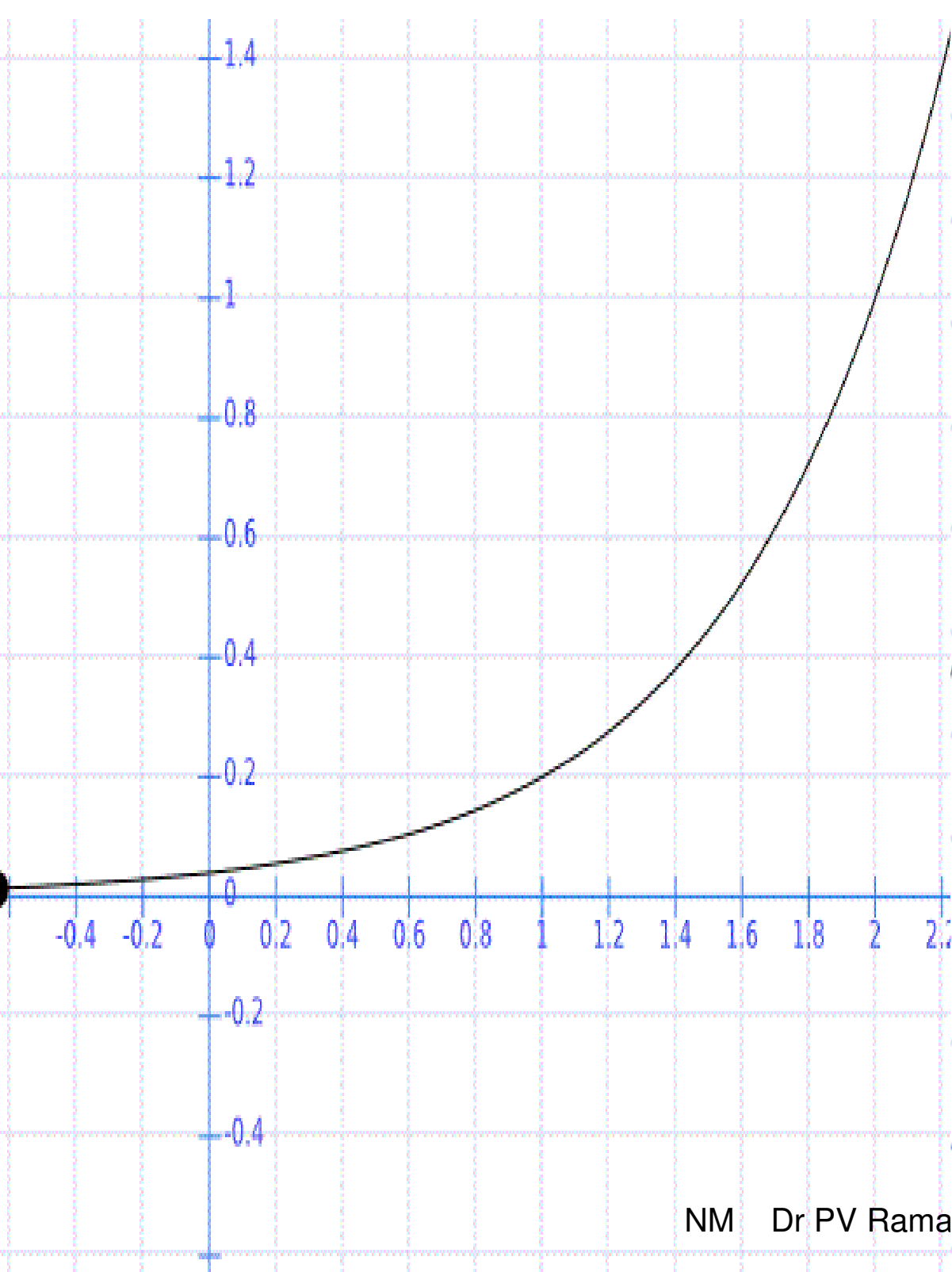
$$(\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot u) + \mu \nabla^2 u = \alpha (3\lambda + 2\mu) \nabla T - \rho b$$

## Lecture 10

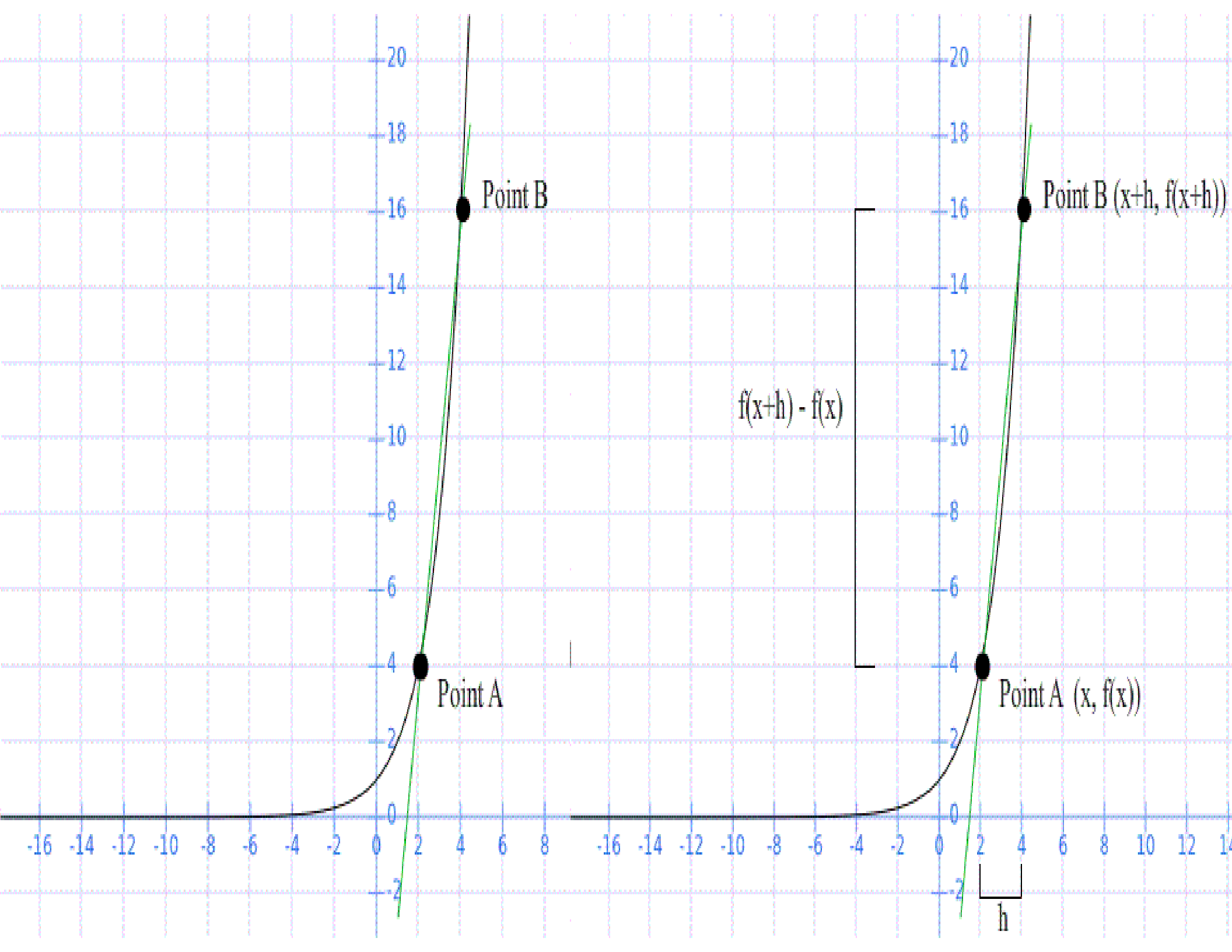
$$\rho \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + V \cdot \nabla u \right) = - \frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{xx}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} + \rho f_x$$

$$\nabla^2 u = f$$

# Numerical Differentiation



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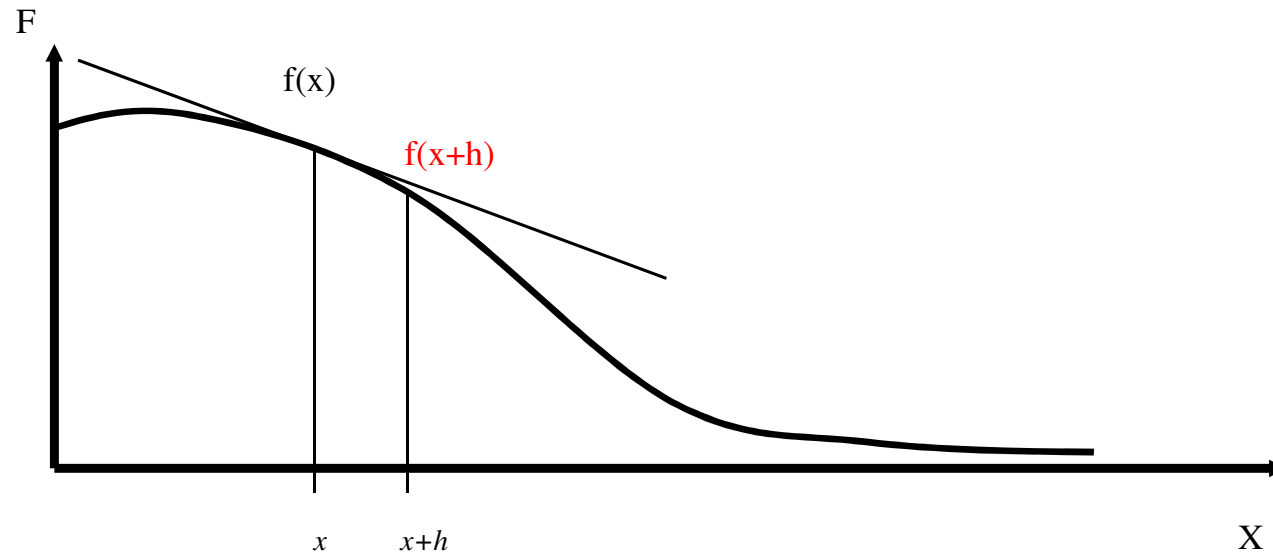


# Numerical Differentiation

- The mathematical definition:

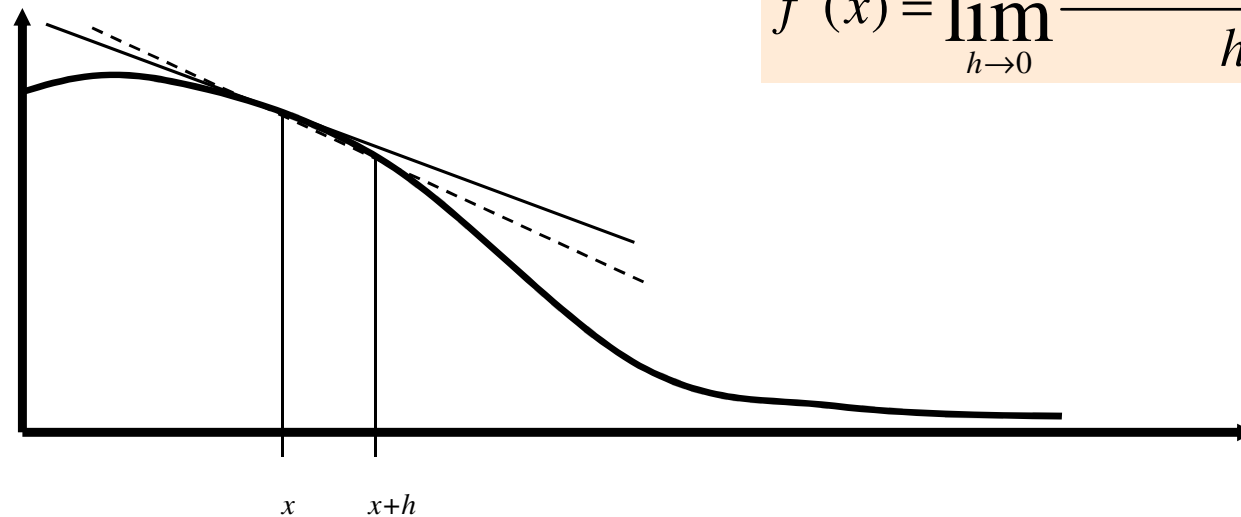
$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

- Can also be thought of as the tangent line.



# Numerical Differentiation

- One can not calculate the limit as  $h$  goes to zero, so one need to approximate it.
- Apply directly for a non-zero  $h$  leads to the slope of the secant curve.



$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

# Numerical Differentiation

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \quad \text{error} = O(h)$$

- This is called **Forward Differences** and can be derived using Taylor's Series:

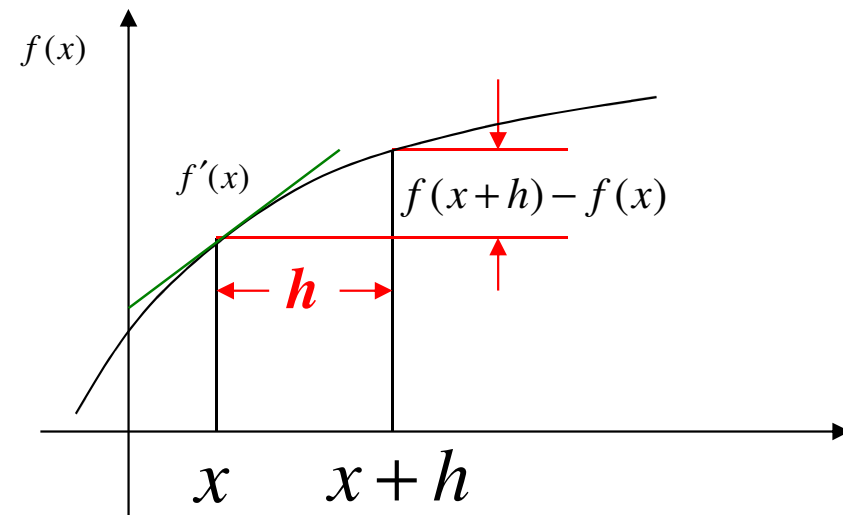
$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + f''(\xi)\frac{h^2}{2!}$$

$$\therefore f(x+h) - f(x) = f'(x)h + f''(\xi)\frac{h^2}{2!}$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - f''(\xi)\frac{h}{2!}$$

$$\therefore \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \rightarrow f'(x) \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0$$

**Geometrically**

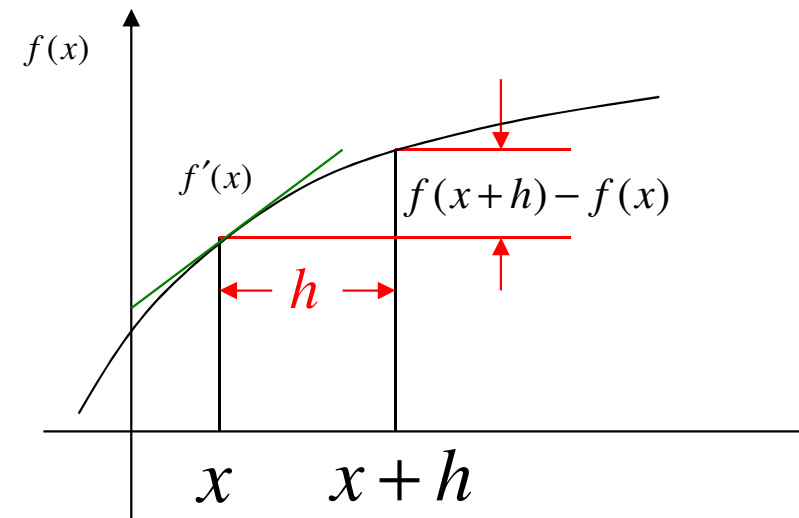


# Truncation Errors

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \quad \text{error} = O(h)$$

- Let  $f(x) = a+e$ , and  $f(x+h) = a+f$ .
- Then, as  $h$  approaches zero,  $e \ll a$  and  $f \ll a$ .
- With limited precision on our computer, our representation of  $f(x) \approx a \approx f(x+h)$ .
- One can easily get a random round-off bit as the most significant digit in the subtraction.
- Dividing by  $h$ , leads to a very wrong answer for  $f'(x)$ .

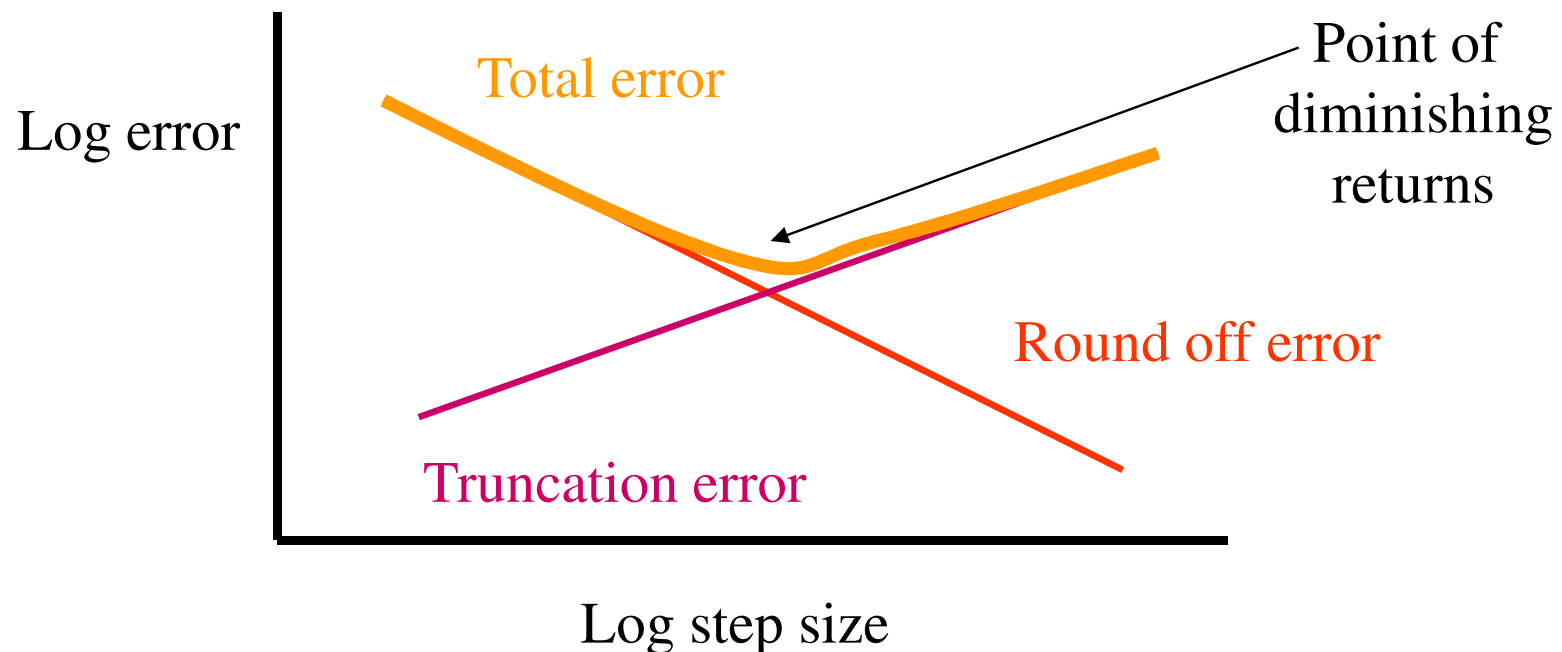
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# Error Tradeoff

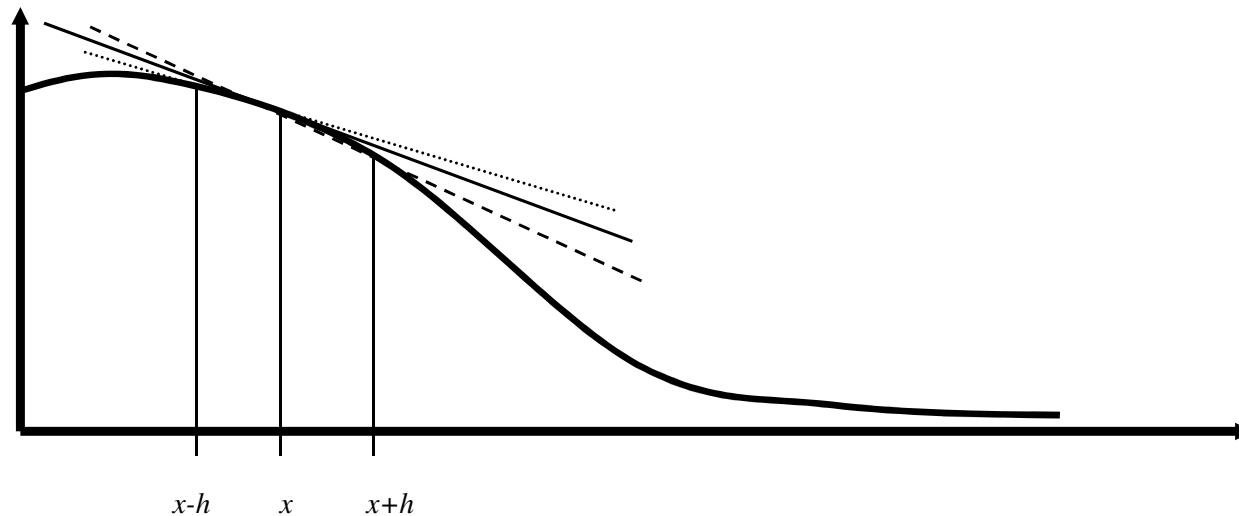
- Using a smaller step size reduces truncation error.
- However, it increases the round-off error.
- Trade off/diminishing returns occurs: Always think and test!



# Numerical Differentiation

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \quad \text{error} = O(h)$$

- This formula favors (or biases towards) the right-hand side of the curve.
- Why not use the left?

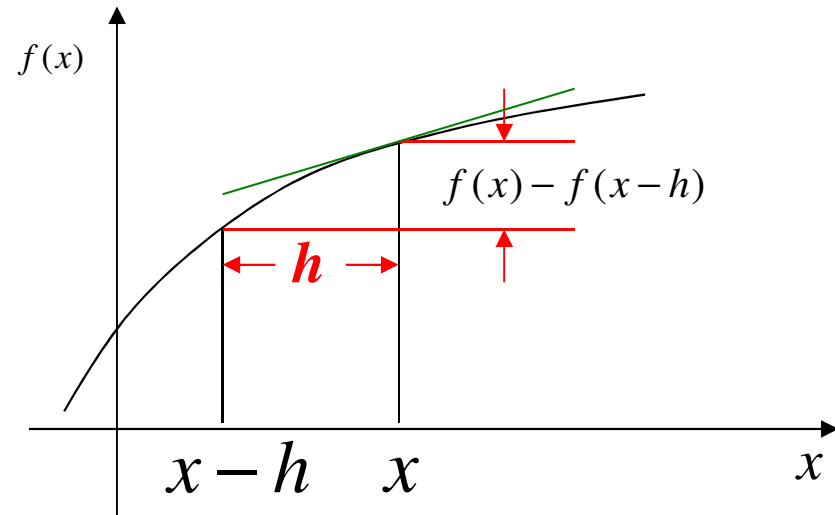


# Numerical Differentiation

- This leads to the **Backward Differences** formula.

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + f''(\xi)\frac{h^2}{2!}$$
$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} + f''(\xi)\frac{h}{2!}$$
$$\therefore \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} \rightarrow f'(x) \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0$$

*Geometrically*



# Numerical Differentiation

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \quad \text{error} = O(h)$$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} \\ \text{error} = O(h)$$

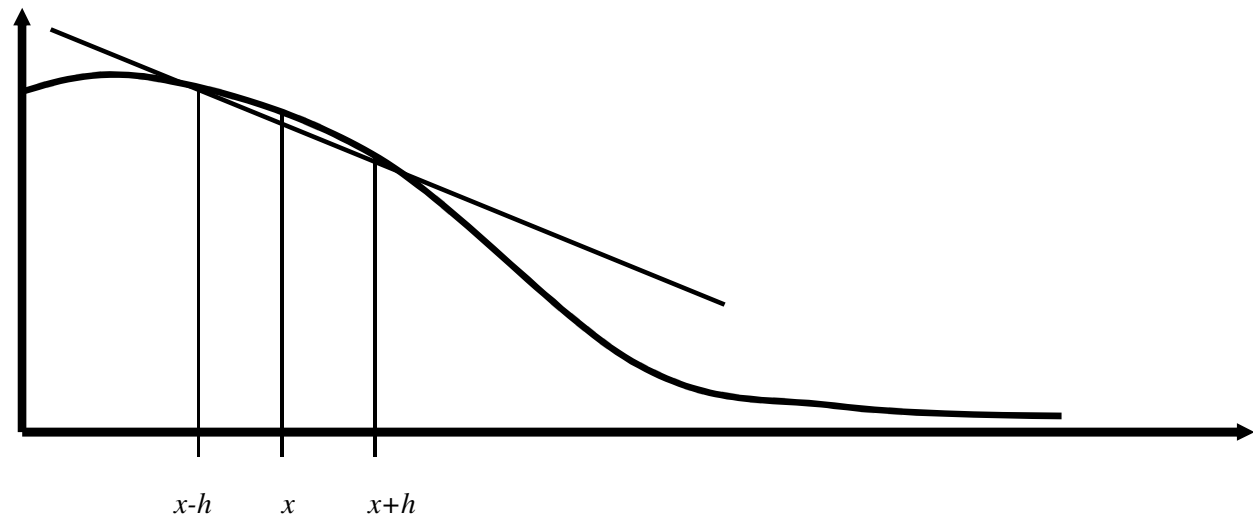
- Can do better?
- Let's average the two:

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{1}{2} \left( \underbrace{\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}}_{\text{Forward difference}} + \underbrace{\frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h}}_{\text{Backward difference}} \right) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

This is called the **Central Difference** formula.

# Central Differences

- This formula does not *seem* very good.
  - It does not follow the calculus formula.
  - It takes the slope of the secant with width  $2h$ .
  - The actual point interested in is not even evaluated.



# Numerical Differentiation

- Is this any better?
- Let's use Taylor's Series to examine the error:

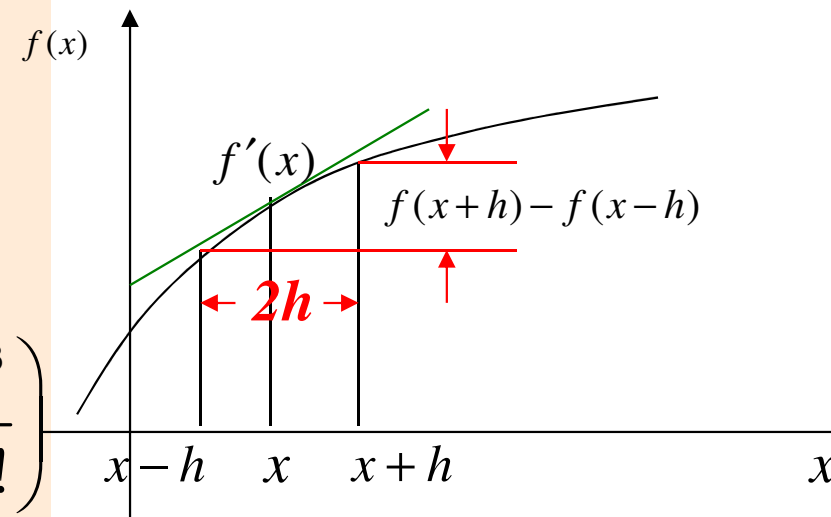
$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} + f'''(\xi)\frac{h^3}{3!}$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} - f'''(\zeta)\frac{h^3}{3!}$$

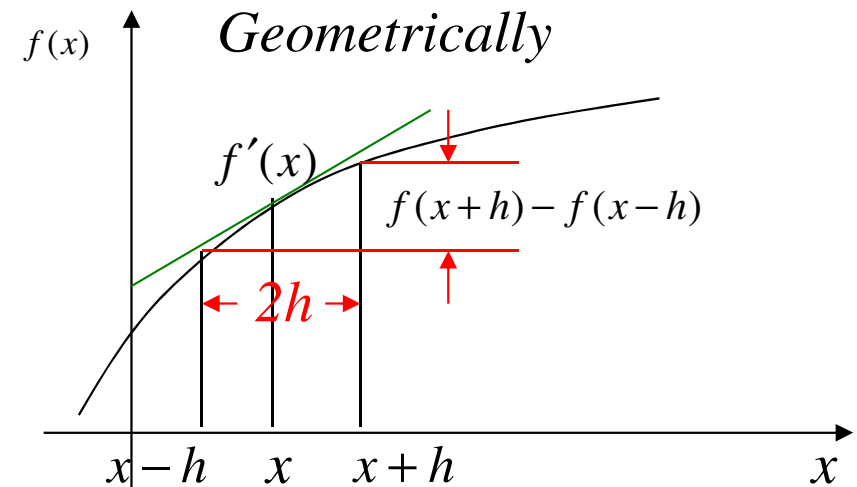
subtracting

$$f(x+h) - f(x-h) = 2f'(x)h + \left( \cancel{f'''(\xi)\frac{h^3}{3!}} + f'''(\zeta)\frac{h^3}{3!} \right)$$

**Geometrically**



# Central Differences



- The central differences formula has much better convergence.

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} - \frac{1}{6} f'''(\zeta) h^2, \zeta \in [x-h, x+h]$$

- Approaches the derivative as  $h^2$  goes to zero!!

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

# *Recall*

$$\frac{df}{dx} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

Taylor Theorem:

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + \frac{f^{(2)}(x)h^2}{2!} + \frac{f^{(3)}(x)h^3}{3!} + O(h^4)$$

$$E = O(h^n) \Rightarrow \exists \text{ real, finite } C, \text{ such that: } |E| \leq C|h|^n$$

$E$  is of order  $h^n \Rightarrow E$  is approaching zero at rate similar to  $h^n$



# Three Formulas

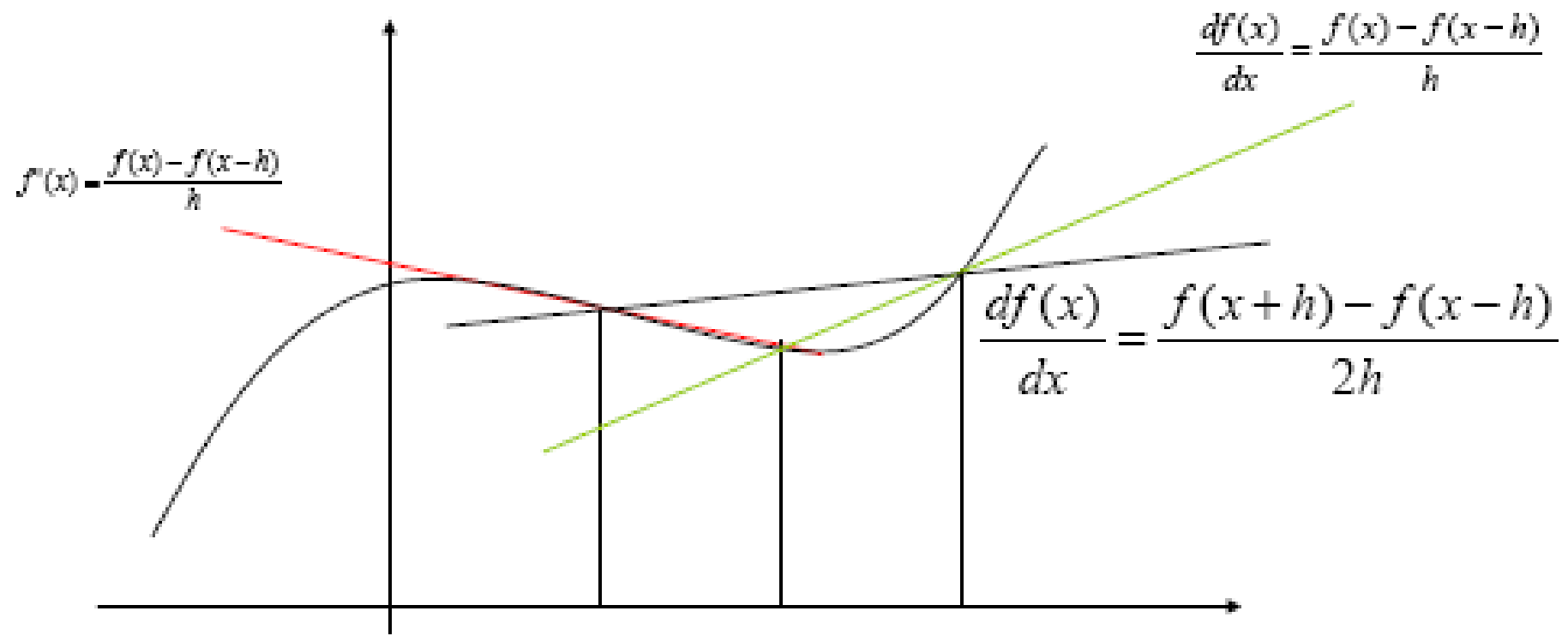
Forward Difference:  $\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$

Backward Difference:  $\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h}$

Central Difference:  $\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$

Which method is better? How to judge?

# *The Three Formulas*



# *Forward/Backward Difference Formula*

Forward Difference :

$$\begin{aligned}f(x+h) &= f(x) + f'(x)h + O(h^2) \\ \Rightarrow f'(x)h &= f(x+h) - f(x) + O(h^2) \\ \Rightarrow f'(x) &= \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} + O(h)\end{aligned}$$

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Backward Difference :

$$\begin{aligned}f(x-h) &= f(x) - f'(x)h + O(h^2) \\ \Rightarrow f'(x)h &= f(x) - f(x-h) + O(h^2) \\ \Rightarrow f'(x) &= \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} + O(h)\end{aligned}$$

# *Central Difference Formula*

Central Difference:

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + \frac{f^{(2)}(x)h^2}{2!} + \frac{f^{(3)}(x)h^3}{3!} + \frac{f^{(4)}(x)h^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + \frac{f^{(2)}(x)h^2}{2!} - \frac{f^{(3)}(x)h^3}{3!} + \frac{f^{(4)}(x)h^4}{4!} + \dots$$

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

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

# *The Three Formulas (Revisited)*

Forward Difference : 
$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} + O(h)$$

Backward Difference : 
$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} + O(h)$$

Central Difference : 
$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

Forward and backward difference formulas are comparable in accuracy.  
Central difference formula is expected to give a better answer.

# Warning

- Still have truncation error problem.
- Consider the case of:
- Build a table with smaller values of  $h$ .
- What about large values of  $h$  for this function?

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{100}$$

$$f'(x) ; \frac{\left\lfloor \frac{x+h}{100} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{x-h}{100} \right\rfloor}{2h}$$

at  $x = 1, h = 0.000333$ , with 6 significant digits

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{0.0100033 - 0.0099966}{0.000666666} = 0.010050$$

Relative error:

$$\frac{|0.01 - 0.010050|}{0.01} = 0.5\%$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{100}$$

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{\left\lfloor \frac{x+h}{100} \right\rfloor - \left\lfloor \frac{x-h}{100} \right\rfloor}{2h}$$

at  $x = 1, h = 0.0003$  with 4 significant digits

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{0.010003 - 0.0099}{0.0006} = 0.0100$$

Relative error: 1%

# *Second Derivatives*

- What if one need the second derivative?

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} + f'''(x)\frac{h^3}{3!} + f^{(4)}(x)\frac{h^4}{4!} + f^{(5)}(x)\frac{h^5}{5!} + L$$
$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} - f'''(\zeta)\frac{h^3}{3!} + f^{(4)}(x)\frac{h^4}{4!} - f^{(5)}(x)\frac{h^5}{5!} + L$$

- Any guesses?

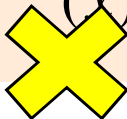
## *Second Derivatives*

- Let's cancel out the odd derivatives and double up the even ones:
  - Implies adding the terms together.

$$f(x+h) + f(x-h) = 2f(x) + 2f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} + 2f^{(4)}(x)\frac{h^4}{4!} + L$$



# Second Derivatives

$$f(x+h) + f(x-h) = 2f(x) + 2f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} + 2f^{(4)}(x)\frac{h^4}{4!} + L$$


- Isolating the second derivative term yields:

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

- With an error term of:

$$E = -\frac{1}{12}h^2 f^{(4)}(\xi)$$


# Higher Order Formulas

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + \frac{f^{(2)}(x)h^2}{2!} + \frac{f^{(3)}(x)h^3}{3!} + \frac{f^{(4)}(x)h^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + \frac{f^{(2)}(x)h^2}{2!} - \frac{f^{(3)}(x)h^3}{3!} + \frac{f^{(4)}(x)h^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$f(x+h) + f(x-h) = 2f(x) + 2\frac{f^{(2)}(x)h^2}{2!} + 2\frac{f^{(4)}(x)h^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{(2)}(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2} + O(h^2)$$


$$\text{Error} = -\frac{f^{(4)}(\xi)h^2}{12}$$

## *Other Higher Order Formulas*

$$f^{(2)}(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2}$$

$$f^{(3)}(x) = \frac{f(x+2h) - 2f(x+h) + 2f(x-h) - f(x-2h)}{2h^3}$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{f(x+2h) - 4f(x+h) + 6f(x) - 4f(x-h) + f(x-2h)}{h^4}$$

Other formulas for  $f^{(2)}(x)$ ,  $f^{(3)}(x)$ ... are also possible.

Use Taylor Theorem to prove them and obtain the error order.

## *2D or Partial Derivatives*

- Remember: Nothing special about partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y) \approx \frac{f(x+h, y) - f(x-h, y)}{2h}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y) \approx \frac{f(x, y+h) - f(x, y-h)}{2h}$$

## *3D or Partial Derivatives*

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y, z) \approx \frac{f(x+h, y, z) - f(x-h, y, z)}{2h}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x, y, z) \approx \frac{f(x, y+h, z) - f(x, y-h, z)}{2h}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z}(x, y, z) \approx \frac{f(x, y, z+h) - f(x, y, z-h)}{2h}$$

# Richardson Extrapolation

- Can do better?
- Is choice of  $h$ , a good one?
- Let's subtract the two Taylor Series expansions again:

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} + f'''(x)\frac{h^3}{3!} + f^{(4)}(x)\frac{h^4}{4!} + f^{(5)}(x)\frac{h^5}{5!} + L$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) - f'(x)h + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2} - f'''(\zeta)\frac{h^3}{3!} + f^{(4)}(x)\frac{h^4}{4!} - f^{(5)}(x)\frac{h^5}{5!} + L$$

*subtracting*

$$f(x+h) - f(x-h) = 2f'(x)h + 2\frac{f'''(x)}{3!}h^3 + 2\frac{f^{(5)}(x)}{5!}h^5 + L$$

# Richardson Extrapolation

$$f(x+h) - f(x-h) = 2f'(x)h + 2\frac{f'''(x)}{3!}h^3 + 2\frac{f^{(5)}(x)}{5!}h^5 + \dots$$

- Assuming the higher derivatives exist, one can hold  $x$  fixed (which also fixes the values of  $f(x)$ ), to obtain the following formula.

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2h} [f(x+h) - f(x-h)] + a_2h^2 + a_4h^4 + a_6h^6 + \dots$$

- Richardson Extrapolation examines the operator below as a function of  $h$ .

$$\varphi(h) = \frac{1}{2h} [f(x+h) - f(x-h)]$$

# Richardson Extrapolation

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2h} [f(x+h) - f(x-h)] + a_2 h^2 + a_4 h^4 + a_6 h^6 + L$$

- This function approximates  $f'(x)$  to  $O(h^2)$  as saw earlier.
- Let's look at the operator as  $h$  goes to zero.

$$\varphi(h) = f'(x) - a_2 h^2 - a_4 h^4 - a_6 h^6 - L$$

$$\varphi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = f'(x) - a_2 \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 - a_4 \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^4 - a_6 \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^6 - L$$

*Same leading constants*





# Richardson Extrapolation

- Using these two formula's, one can come up with another estimate for the derivative that cancels out the  $h^2$  terms.

$$\varphi(h) - 4\varphi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = -3f'(x) - \frac{3}{4}a_4h^4 - \frac{15}{16}a_6h^6 - L$$

or

$$f'(x) = \varphi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{3}\left[\varphi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) - \varphi(h)\right] + O(h^4)$$

*new estimate*

*difference between old  
and new estimates*

Extrapolates by  
assuming the new  
estimate undershot.

# Richardson Extrapolation

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- If  $h$  is small ( $h \ll 1$ ), then  $h^4$  goes to zero much faster than  $h^2$ .
- Cool!!!
- Can cancel out the  $h^6$  term?
  - Yes, by using  $h/4$  to estimate the derivative.

# Richardson Extrapolation

- Consider the following *property*:

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(h) &= f'(x) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{2k} h^{2k} \\ &= L - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{2k} h^{2k}\end{aligned}$$

- where  $L$  is unknown,

$$L = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \varphi(h) = f'(x) \quad \text{as are the coefficients, } a_{2k}.$$

# Richardson Extrapolation

- Do not forget the formal definition is simply the central-differences formula:

$$\varphi(h) = \frac{1}{2h} [f(x+h) - f(x-h)]$$

- New symbology (*is this a word?*):

$$D(n,0) \equiv \varphi\left(\frac{h}{2^n}\right)$$

$$= L + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A(k,0) \left(\frac{h}{2^n}\right)^{2k}$$

From previous slide

# *Richardson Extrapolation*

- $D(n,0)$  is just the central differences operator for different values of  $h$ .
- Proceed by computing  $D(n,0)$  for several values of  $n$ .
- Recalling our cancellation of the  $h^2$  term.

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \varphi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{3} \left[ \varphi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) - \varphi(h) \right] + O(h^4) \\ &= D(1,0) + \frac{1}{4-1} [D(1,0) - D(0,0)] + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

# *Richardson Extrapolation*

- If let  $h \rightarrow h/2$ , then in general, one can write:

$$f'(x) = D(n, 0) + \frac{1}{4-1} [D(n, 0) - D(n-1, 0)] + O\left(\left(\frac{h}{2^n}\right)^4\right)$$

- Let's denote this operator as:

$$D(n, 1) = D(n, 0) + \frac{1}{4^1 - 1} [D(n, 0) - D(n-1, 0)]$$

# Richardson Extrapolation

- Now, one can formally define Richardson's extrapolation operator as:

$$D(n, m) = \frac{4^m}{4^m - 1} D(n, m-1) - \frac{1}{4^m - 1} D(n-1, m-1), \quad (1 \leq m \leq n)$$

*new estimate*

*old estimate*

- or

$$D(n, m) = D(n, m-1) + \frac{1}{4^m - 1} [D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1)]$$

# *Richardson Extrapolation*

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$$D(n, m) = \frac{1}{4^m - 1} [4^m D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1)]$$

**Memorize me!!!!**



# *Richardson Extrapolation Theorem*

- These terms approach  $f'(x)$  very quickly.

$$D(n, m) = L + \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} A(k, m) \left( \frac{h}{2^n} \right)^{2k}$$

*Order starts much higher!!!!*



# *Richardson Extrapolation*

- Since  $m \leq n$ , this leads to a two-dimensional triangular array of values as follows:

$D(0,0)$				
$D(1,0)$	$D(1,1)$			
$D(2,0)$	$D(2,1)$	$D(2,2)$		
M	M	M	O	
$D(N,0)$	$D(N,1)$	$D(N,2)$	L	$D(N,N)$

- One must pick an initial value of  $h$  and a max iteration value  $N$ .

# *Richardson Extrapolation*

Central Difference: 
$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

Can we get a better formula?

*Hold  $f(x)$  and  $x$  fixed :*

$$\phi(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

$$\phi(h) = f'(x) - a_2 h^2 - a_4 h^4 - a_6 h^6 - \dots$$

# *Richardson Extrapolation*

*Hold  $f(x)$  and  $x$  fixed :*

$$\phi(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

$$\phi(h) = f'(x) - a_2 h^2 - a_4 h^4 - a_6 h^6 - \dots$$

$$\phi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = f'(x) - a_2 \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 - a_4 \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^4 - a_6 \left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^6 - \dots$$

$$\phi(h) - 4\phi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = -3f'(x) - \frac{3}{4}a_4 h^4 - \frac{15}{16}a_6 h^6 - \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{\phi(h) - 4\phi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)}{-3} + O(h^4)$$

# *Richardson Extrapolation Table*

$D(0,0)=\Phi(h)$			
$D(1,0)=\Phi(h/2)$	$D(1,1)$		
$D(2,0)=\Phi(h/4)$	$D(2,1)$	$D(2,2)$	
$D(3,0)=\Phi(h/8)$	$D(3,1)$	$D(3,2)$	$D(3,3)$

# *Richardson Extrapolation Table*

*First Column:*  $D(n,0) = \phi\left(\frac{h}{2^n}\right)$

*Others:*

$$D(n,m) = D(n,m-1) + \frac{1}{4^m - 1} [D(n,m-1) - D(n-1,m-1)]$$

$$D(n,m) = \frac{1}{4^m - 1} \left[ 4^m D(n,m-1) - D(n-1,m-1) \right]$$

# Example 1

$$D(n, m) = \frac{4^m}{4^m - 1} D(n, m-1) - \frac{1}{4^m - 1} D(n-1, m-1), \quad (1 \leq m \leq n)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{(\cos(100x^2))^5}{x^3}$$

$$x = 1.3, h = \frac{1}{128}$$

$$D(n, m) = \frac{1}{4^m - 1} \left[ 4^m D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1) \right]$$

$$f' = - (3\cos(100x^2)^5)/x^4 - 1000\cos(100x^2)^4\sin(100x^2))/x^2$$

$$f(x) = \frac{(\cos(100x^2))^5}{x^3}$$

$$x = 1.3, h = \frac{1}{128}$$

$$D(0, 0) = 16.696386$$

$$D(1, 0) = 40.583393$$

$$D(2, 0) = 109.322528$$

$$D(3, 0) = 135.031747$$

$$D(4, 0) = 142.068615$$

$$D(5, 0) = 143.866937$$

$$\text{ForwardDifference} \quad \frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} + O(h)$$

$$\text{BackwardDifference} \quad \frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} + O(h)$$

$$\text{CentralDifference} \quad \frac{df(x)}{dx} = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

$$D(0, 0), D(1, 0) \longrightarrow D(1, 1)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{(\cos(100x^2))^5}{x^3}$$

$$x = 1.3, h = \frac{1}{128}$$

## Example 1

$$\Phi(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} = D(0,0) = 16.696386$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = \frac{f(1.3039) - f(1.296)}{0.0078} = 40.583393 = D(1,0)$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{h}{4}\right) = \frac{f(1.3019) - f(1.2980)}{0.0039} = 109.322528 = D(2,0)$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{h}{8}\right) = \frac{f(1.3009) - f(1.2990)}{0.00195} = 135.031747 = D(3,0)$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{h}{16}\right) = \frac{f(1.30048) - f(1.29951)}{0.00095} = 142.068615 = D(4,0)$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{h}{32}\right) = \frac{f(1.30024) - f(1.29975)}{0.00048} = 143.866937 = D(5,0)$$



## Example 1

$$D(n, m) = \frac{1}{4^m - 1} \left[ 4^m D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1) \right]$$

$$D(0,0) = 16.696386, D(1,0) = 40.583393, D(2,0) = 109.322528$$

$$D(n, m) = D(n, m-1) + \frac{1}{4^m - 1} \left[ D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1) \right]$$

$$D(1,1) = D(1,0) + \frac{1}{4-1} \left[ D(1,0) - D(0,0) \right] = 32.62105733$$

$$D(2,1) = D(2,0) + \frac{1}{4-1} \left[ D(2,0) - D(1,0) \right] = 132.235574$$

$$D(3,1) = D(2,1) + \frac{1}{4^2 - 1} \left[ D(2,1) - D(1,1) \right] = 143.601487$$

# Example

$$D(n, m) = \frac{4^m}{4^m - 1} D(n, m-1) - \frac{1}{4^m - 1} D(n-1, m-1), \quad (1 \leq m \leq n)$$

$$D(0, 0) = 16.696386$$

$$D(1, 0) = 40.583393$$

$$D(1, 1) = 48.583393$$

$$D(2, 0) = 109.322528$$

$$D(2, 1) = 132.235574$$

$$D(3, 0) = 135.031747$$

$$D(3, 1) = 143.601487$$

$$D(4, 0) = 142.068615$$

$$D(4, 1) = 144.414238$$

$$D(5, 0) = 143.866937$$

$$D(5, 1) = 144.466377$$

$$D(n, m) = \frac{1}{4^m - 1} \left[ 4^m D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1) \right]$$

*extrapolate*  $\frac{1}{3}$

## Example

$$D(0,0) = 16.696386$$

$$D(1,0) = 40.583393 \quad D(1,1) = 48.583393$$

$$D(2,0) = 109.322528 \quad D(2,1) = 132.235574 \quad D(2,2) = 137.814897$$

$$D(3,0) = 135.031747 \quad D(3,1) = 143.601487 \quad D(3,2) = 144.359214$$

$$D(4,0) = 142.068615 \quad D(4,1) = 144.414238 \quad D(4,2) = 144.468421$$

$$D(5,0) = 143.866937 \quad D(5,1) = 144.466377 \quad D(5,2) = 144.469853$$

extrapolate  $\frac{1}{15}$

$$D(n,m) = \frac{1}{4^m - 1} \left[ 4^m D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1) \right]$$

# Example

$$D(n, m) = \frac{4^m}{4^m - 1} D(n, m-1) - \frac{1}{4^m - 1} D(n-1, m-1), \quad (1 \leq m \leq n)$$

16.696386					
40.583393	48.583393				
109.322528	132.235574	137.814897			
135.031747	143.601487	144.359214	144.463092		
142.068615	144.414238	144.468421	144.470154	144.470182	
143.866937	144.466377	144.469853	144.469876	144.469875	$D(5,5) = 144.469875$

*extrapolate*  $\frac{1}{3}$

*extrapolate*  $\frac{1}{15}$

*extrapolate*  $\frac{1}{63}$

*extrapolate*  $\frac{1}{255}$

*extrapolate*  $\frac{1}{1023}$

- Which converges up to eight decimal places.
- Is it accurate?

## Example

- One can look at the (theoretical) error term on this example.

$$\begin{aligned} D(5,5) &= L + \sum_{k=5+1}^{\infty} A(k,5) \left( \frac{h}{2^5} \right)^{2k} \\ &= f'(1.3) + A(6,5) \left( \frac{1}{4096} \right)^{12} + \sum_{k=7}^{\infty} A(k,5) \left( \frac{h}{2^5} \right)^{2k} \end{aligned}$$

- Taking the derivative:

$$f'(1.3) = 144.469874253K$$

$2^{-144}$

*Round-off error*

## *Example 2*

Evaluate numerically the derivative of :

$$f(x) = x^{\cos(x)} \quad \text{at } x = 0.6$$

Use Richardson Extrapolation with  $h = 0.1$

Obtain  $D(2,2)$  as the estimate of the derivative.

$$f' = x^{(\cos(x) - 1)} \cos(x) - x^{\cos(x)} \log(x) \sin(x)$$

## *Example 2*

### *First Column*

$$f(x) = x^{\cos(x)} \text{ at } x = 0.6 \text{ with } h = 0.1$$

$$\Phi(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

$$\Phi(0.1) = \frac{f(0.7) - f(0.5)}{0.2} = 1.08483$$

$$\Phi(0.05) = \frac{f(0.65) - f(0.55)}{0.1} = 1.08988$$

$$\Phi(0.025) = \frac{f(0.625) - f(0.575)}{0.05} = 1.09115$$

## *Example 2*

### *Richardson Table*

$$D(n, m) = \frac{1}{4^m - 1} \left[ 4^m D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1) \right]$$

$$D(0,0) = 1.08483, D(1,0) = 1.08988, D(2,0) = 1.09115$$

$$D(n, m) = D(n, m-1) + \frac{1}{4^m - 1} [D(n, m-1) - D(n-1, m-1)]$$

$$D(1,1) = D(1,0) + \frac{1}{4-1} [D(1,0) - D(0,0)] = 1.09156$$

$$D(2,1) = D(2,0) + \frac{1}{4-1} [D(2,0) - D(1,0)] = 1.09157$$

$$D(2,2) = D(2,1) + \frac{1}{4^2 - 1} [D(2,1) - D(1,1)] = 1.09157$$

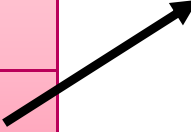


## *Example*

### *Richardson Table*

1.08483		
1.08988	1.09156	
1.09115	1.09157	1.09157

This is the best estimate of the derivative of the function.



**All entries of the Richardson table are estimates of the derivative of the function.**

**The first column are estimates using the central difference formula with different  $h$ .**

## Richardson Extrapolation

- There are two ways to improve derivative estimates when employing finite divided differences:
  - Decrease the step size, or
  - Use a higher-order formula that employs more points.
- A third approach, based on **Richardson extrapolation**, uses two derivative estimates (with  $O(h^2)$  error) to compute a third (with  $O(h^4)$  error), more accurate approximation. One can derive this formula following the same steps used in the case of the integrals:

$$h_2 = h_1 / 2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad D \cong \frac{4}{3} D(h_2) - \frac{1}{3} D(h_1)$$

# High Accuracy Differentiation Formulas

- High-accuracy divided-difference formulas can be generated by including additional terms from the Taylor series expansion.

$$f(x_{i+1}) = f(x_i) + f'(x_i)h + \frac{f''(x_i)}{2}h^2 + \Lambda$$

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)}{h} - \frac{f''(x_i)}{2}h - \Lambda$$

$$f''(x_i) = \frac{f'(x_{i+1}) - f'(x_i)}{h} = \frac{f(x_{i+2}) - 2f(x_{i+1}) + f(x_i)}{h^2} + O(h)$$

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)}{h} - \frac{f(x_{i+2}) - 2f(x_{i+1}) + f(x_i)}{2h^2}h + O(h^2)$$

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{-f(x_{i+2}) + 4f(x_{i+1}) - 3f(x_i)}{2h} + O(h^2)$$

- Inclusion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative term has improved the accuracy to  $O(h^2)$ .
- Similar improved versions can be developed for the *backward* and *centered* formulas

## *Forward finite-divided-difference formulas*

### First Derivative

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)}{h}$$

**Error**

**$O(h)$**

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{-f(x_{i+2}) + 4f(x_{i+1}) - 3f(x_i)}{2h}$$

**$O(h^2)$**

### Second Derivative

$$f''(x_i) = \frac{f(x_{i+2}) - 2f(x_{i+1}) + f(x_i)}{h^2}$$

**Error**

**$O(h)$**

$$f''(x_i) = \frac{-f(x_{i+3}) + 4f(x_{i+2}) - 5f(x_{i+1}) + 2f(x_i)}{h^2}$$

**$O(h^2)$**

## *Backward finite-divided-difference formulas*

### First Derivative

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})}{h}$$

**Error**

**$O(h)$**

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{3f(x_i) - 4f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_{i-2})}{2h}$$

**$O(h^2)$**

### Second Derivative

$$f''(x_i) = \frac{f(x_i) - 2f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_{i-2}))}{h^2}$$

**Error**

**$O(h)$**

$$f''(x_i) = \frac{2f(x_i) - 5f(x_{i-1}) + 4f(x_{i-2}) - f(x_{i-3}))}{h^2}$$

**$O(h^2)$**

## *Centered finite-divided-difference formulas*

### First Derivative

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_{i-1}))}{2h}$$

**Error**

**$O(h^2)$**

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{-f(x_{i+2}) + 8f(x_{i+1}) - 8f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_{i-2}))}{12h}$$

**$O(h^4)$**

### Second Derivative

$$f''(x_i) = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - 2f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1}))}{h^2}$$

**Error**

**$O(h^2)$**

$$f''(x_i) = \frac{-f(x_{i+2}) + 16f(x_{i+1}) - 30f(x_i) + 16f(x_{i-1}) - f(x_{i-2}))}{12h^2}$$

**$O(h^4)$**

## Derivation of the centered formula for $f''(x_i)$

$$\begin{aligned}f(x_{i+1}) &= f(x_i) + f'(x_i)h + \frac{f''(x_i)}{2}h^2 + \Lambda \\f''(x_i) &= \frac{2(f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i) - f'(x_i)h)}{h^2} \\&= \frac{2(f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i) - \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_{i-1})}{2h}h)}{h^2} \\&= \frac{2f(x_{i+1}) - 2f(x_i) - f(x_{i+1}) + f(x_{i-1}))}{h^2} \\f''(x_i) &= \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - 2f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1}))}{h^2}\end{aligned}$$

Evaluate  $y = 1.2 - 0.25x - 0.5x^2 - 0.15x.^3 - 0.1x.^4$  using MATLAB

# Differentiation Using MATLAB

	<b>x</b>	<b>f(x)</b>
<i>i-2</i>	0	1.2
<i>i-1</i>	0.25	1.1035
<i>i</i>	0.50	0.925
<i>i+1</i>	0.75	0.6363
<i>i+2</i>	1	0.2

First, create a file called **fx1.m** which contains  $y=f(x)$ :

**function y = fx1(x)**

**y = 1.2 - .25\*x - .5\*x.^2 - .15\*x.^3 -.1\*x.^4 ;**

*Command window:*

>> x=0:.25:1

0      0.25      0.5      0.75      1

>> y = **fx1**(x)

1.2    1.1035    0.925    0.6363    0.2

>> d = **diff**(y) ./ **diff**(x)    % **diff**() takes differences  
between consecutive vector elements

d = -0.3859    -0.7141    -1.1547    -1.7453

**Forward:** x = 0      0.25      0.5      0.75      1

**Backward:** x = 0.25      0.5      0.75      1

f(0) = 1.2  
f(0.25) = 1.1035  
f(0.5) = 0.925  
f(0.75) = 0.6363  
f(1) = 0.2



### Example 3 :

$$\text{Forward: } f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)}{h}$$

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{-f(x_{i+2}) + 4f(x_{i+1}) - 3f(x_i)}{2h}$$

$$f(x) = -0.1x^4 - 0.15x^3 - 0.5x^2 - 0.25x + 1.2$$

At  $x = 0.5$  True value for First Derivative = **-0.9125**

Using finite divided differences and a step size of  $h = 0.25$  obtain:

	$x$	$f(x)$
$i-2$	0	1.2
$i-1$	0.25	1.1035
$i$	0.50	0.925
$i+1$	0.75	0.6363
$i+2$	1	0.2

	Forward $O(h)$	Backward $O(h)$
Estimate	<b>-1.155</b>	<b>-0.714</b>
$\epsilon_t$ (%)	<b>26.5</b>	<b>21.7</b>

$$\text{Backward : } f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})}{h}$$

$$f'(x_i) = \frac{3f(x_i) - 4f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_{i-2})}{2h}$$

Forward difference of accuracy  $O(h^2)$  is computed as:

$$f'(0.5) = \frac{-0.2 + 4(0.6363) - 3(0.925)}{2(0.25)} = -0.8593 \quad \epsilon_t = 5.82\%$$

Backward difference of accuracy  $O(h^2)$  is computed as:

$$f'(0.5) = \frac{3(0.925) - 4(1.1035) + 1.2}{2(0.25)} = -0.8781 \quad \epsilon_t = 3.77\%$$

## Derivatives of Unequally Spaced Data

- Derivation formulas studied so far (especially the ones with  $O(h^2)$  error) require multiple points to be spaced evenly.
- Data from experiments or field studies are often collected at unequal intervals.
- Fit a **Lagrange interpolating polynomial**, and then calculate the 1<sup>st</sup> derivative.

As an example, second order *Lagrange interpolating polynomial* is used below:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = & f(x_{i-1}) \frac{(x - x_i)(x - x_{i+1})}{(x_{i-1} - x_i)(x_{i-1} - x_{i+1})} \\ & + f(x_i) \frac{(x - x_{i-1})(x - x_{i+1})}{(x_i - x_{i-1})(x_i - x_{i+1})} \\ & + f(x_{i+1}) \frac{(x - x_{i-1})(x - x_i)}{(x_{i+1} - x_{i-1})(x_{i+1} - x_i)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) = & f(x_{i-1}) \frac{2x - x_i - x_{i+1}}{(x_{i-1} - x_i)(x_{i-1} - x_{i+1})} \\ & + f(x_i) \frac{2x - x_{i-1} - x_{i+1}}{(x_i - x_{i-1})(x_i - x_{i+1})} \\ & + f(x_{i+1}) \frac{2x - x_{i-1} - x_i}{(x_{i+1} - x_{i-1})(x_{i+1} - x_i)} \end{aligned}$$

\*Note that any three points,  $x_{i-1}$ ,  $x_i$  and  $x_{i+1}$  can be used to calculate the derivative. **The points do not need to be spaced equally.**