

This document is to remind myself of some of the numerical methods useful to the MAE 3403 class. Most of the content is a summary from "*Numerical Methods*", by Robert W. Hornbeck.

Ch. 2: The Taylor Series

If $f(x)$ can be represented by a convergent power series within an interval centered at b , it is said to be *analytic*.

Thus for x within a convergent interval, f is given by a convergent power series: $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (x-b)^n$

Differentiating this power series n times and setting $x=b$ gives: $\frac{f^{(n)}(b)}{n!} = a_n$

Thus, the Taylor series of $f(x)$ in the region of x close to $x=a$ is given by: $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!} (x-a)^n$

Suppose we want to find the value of $f(x=b)$:

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

Example: Prove Euler's formula which states: $e^{jx} = \cos(x) + j \sin(x)$, where $j = (-1)^{1/2}$

If true, the Taylor's series expansions of both sides of the equation should be equal.

For LHS (e^{jx}):

$$f(x) = e^{jx} = 1 + jx - \frac{x^2}{2} - j \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + j \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} - j \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots = \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots \right) + j \left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \right)$$

For RHS ($\cos(x)$): recall $\frac{d \cos(x)}{dx} = -\sin(x)$; $\frac{d \sin(x)}{dx} = \cos(x)$; $\cos(0) = 1$; $\sin(0) = 0$

$$f(x) = \cos(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

For RHS ($\sin(x)$):

$$f(x) = \sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

Q.E.D.

Ch. 3: The Finite Difference Calculus3.1 Forward and backward differences

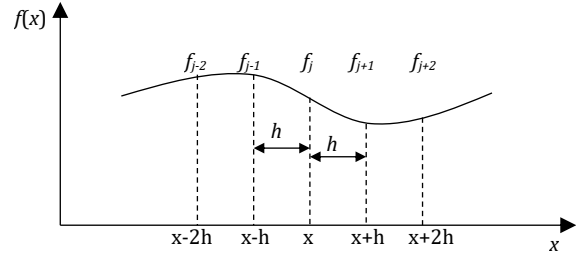
Consider a function $f(x)$ which is analytic in the neighborhood of a point x . We can find $f(x+h)$ by:

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

Now, solving for $f'(x)$:

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

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



If we let $f(x+h) = f_{j+1}$ and $f(x) = f_j$ and $\Delta f_j \equiv f_{j+1} - f_j$, then:

$$f'(x) = \frac{\Delta f_j}{h} + \mathcal{O}(h) \text{ is the first forward difference approximation of } f'(x) \text{ with error of order } h.$$

We can do a similar process for $f(x-h)$, such that:

$$f'(x) = \frac{\nabla f_j}{h} + \mathcal{O}(h), \text{ where } \nabla f_j = f_j - f_{j-1} \text{ is the first backward difference approximation of } f'(x).$$

3.2 Higher order derivative approximations:

$$\text{Find } f(x+2h) \text{ by: } f(x+2h) = f(x) + 2hf'(x) + \frac{2^2 h^2}{2} f''(x) + \frac{2^3 h^3}{3!} f'''(x) + \dots$$

$$\text{Subtracting } 2f(x+h), \text{ I can find: } f(x+2h) - 2f(x+h) = -f(x) + 2h^2 f''(x) + \frac{4h^3}{3} f'''(x) + \dots$$

Solving for $f''(x)$:

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

$$\text{Using subscript notation: } f''(x) = \frac{f_{j+2} - 2f_{j+1} + f_j}{h^2} + \mathcal{O}(h) \rightarrow f''(x) = \frac{\Delta^2 f_j}{h^2} + \mathcal{O}(h)$$

$$\text{In a similar way using the backward expansion: } f''(x) = \frac{f_j - 2f_{j-1} + f_{j-2}}{h^2} + \mathcal{O}(h) \rightarrow f''(x) = \frac{\nabla^2 f_j}{h^2} + \mathcal{O}(h)$$

These are the *second forward & backward difference* equations. We now note that:

$$\Delta^n f_j = \Delta(\Delta^{n-1} f_j) \text{ and } \nabla^n f_j = \nabla(\nabla^{n-1} f_j)$$

$$\text{For example: } \nabla^2 f_j = \nabla(\nabla f_j) = \nabla f_j - \nabla f_{j-1} = (f_j - f_{j-1}) - (f_{j-1} - f_{j-2}) = f_j - 2f_{j-1} + f_{j-2}$$

Therefore: $\left. \frac{d^n f}{dx^n} \right|_{x_j} = \frac{\Delta^n f_j}{h^n} + \mathcal{O}(h)$ and $\left. \frac{d^n f}{dx^n} \right|_{x_j} = \frac{\nabla^n f_j}{h^n} + \mathcal{O}(h)$

In table form:

Forward Difference Approximation

	f_j	f_{j+1}	f_{j+2}	f_{j+3}	f_{j+4}
$hf'(x_j)=$	-1	1			
$h^2 f''(x_j)=$	1	-2	1		
$h^3 f'''(x_j)=$	-1	3	-3	1	
$h^4 f^{iv}(x_j)=$	1	-4	6	-4	1

Backward Difference Approximation

	f_{j-4}	f_{j-3}	f_{j-2}	f_{j-1}	f_j
$hf'(x_j)=$				-1	1
$h^2 f''(x_j)=$			1	-2	1
$h^3 f'''(x_j)=$		-1	3	-3	1
$h^4 f^{iv}(x_j)=$	1	-4	6	-4	1

To get a more accurate estimate of the *first forward* and *backward differences*, we can keep an extra term

in the Taylor series expansion: $f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - \frac{h}{2} f''(x) - \frac{h^2}{3!} f'''(x) + \dots$ and substitute for $f''(x)$

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - \frac{h}{2} \left[\frac{f(x+2h) - 2f(x+h) + f(x)}{h^2} - hf''(x) + \dots \right] - \frac{h^2}{3!} f'''(x) + \dots$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{f_{j+1} - f_j}{h} - \frac{h}{2} \left[\frac{f_{j+2} - 2f_{j+1} + f_j}{h^2} - hf''(x) + \dots \right] - \frac{h^2}{3!} f'''(x) + \dots$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{4f_{j+1} - 3f_j - 2f_{j+2}}{2h} + \mathcal{O}(h^2) \quad \text{Note: this estimate has less error}$$

3.3 Central Differences

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

$$\text{So, } f(x+h) - f(x-h) = 2hf' + \frac{h^3}{3} f'''(x) + \dots \rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

$$\therefore \text{first central difference: } f'(x) = \frac{f_{j+1} - f_{j-1}}{2h} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

$$\text{second central difference: } f_{j+1} + f_{j-1} = 2f_j + h^2 f''(x) + \dots \rightarrow f''(x) = \frac{f_{j+1} - 2f_j + f_{j-1}}{h^2} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

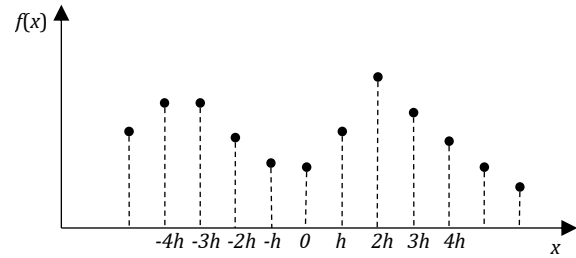
In Table form:

Central Difference

	f_{j-2}	f_{j-1}	f_j	f_{j+1}	f_{j+2}
$2hf'(x_j)=$		-1	0	1	
$h^2 f''(x_j)=$		1	-2	1	
$2h^3 f'''(x_j)=$	-1	2	0	-2	1
$h^4 f^{iv}(x_j)=$	1	-4	6	-4	1

Ch. 4: Interpolation and Extrapolation

Consider we have some experimental data at discrete values of x , but would like to know the value of $f(x)$ at some x where no data was collected.



4.0-4.3 Evenly spaced data

Some example data might be

x	0	1	2	3	4	5
$f(x)$	-7	-3	6	25	62	129

forward difference table							backward difference table							central difference table						
x	$f(x)$	Δf	$\Delta^2 f$	$\Delta^3 f$	$\Delta^4 f$	$\Delta^5 f$	x	$f(x)$	∇f	$\nabla^2 f$	$\nabla^3 f$	$\nabla^4 f$	$\nabla^5 f$	x	$f(x)$	δf	$\delta^2 f$	$\delta^3 f$	$\delta^4 f$	$\delta^5 f$
0	-7	4	5	5	3	1	0	-7						0	-7					
1	-3	9	10	8	4		1	-3	4					0.5		4				
2	6	19	18	12			2	6	9	5				1	-3		5			
3	25	37	30				3	25	19	10	5			1.5		9		5		
4	62	67					4	62	37	18	8	3		2	6		10		3	
5	129						5	129	67	30	12	4	1	2.5		19		8		1
$\Delta f_0 = f_1 - f_0$ $\Delta^2 f_0 = (f_2 - f_1) - (f_1 - f_0) = f_2 - 2f_1 + f_0$ $\Delta^3 f_0 = [(f_3 - f_2) - (f_2 - f_1)] - [(f_2 - f_1) - (f_1 - f_0)] = f_3 - 3f_2 + 3f_1 - f_0$														3	25		18		4	
														3.5		37		12		
														4	62		30			
														4.5		67				
														5	129					

For Taylor series around $x=0$, we have: $f(x) = f(0) + xf'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2!} f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{3!} f'''(0) + \dots$ and forward difference equation of:

$$f'(0) = \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} - \frac{h}{2!} f''(0) - \frac{h^2}{3!} f'''(0) + \dots \rightarrow$$

$$f'(0) = \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} - \frac{1}{2!} \left[\frac{f(0+2h) - f(0+h)}{h} - \frac{f(0+h) - f(0)}{h} \right] - \frac{h^2}{3!} f'''(0) + \dots \rightarrow$$

$$f'(0) = \frac{\Delta f_0}{h} - \frac{1}{2!} \frac{\Delta^2 f_0}{h} - \frac{h^2}{3!} f'''(0) + \dots$$

$$f''(0) = \frac{\Delta^2 f_0}{h^2} - hf'''(0) + \dots$$

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{x\Delta f_0}{h} + \frac{x(x-h)\Delta^2 f_0}{2h^2} + \dots$$

After continuing this type of substitution...

Gregory-Newton forward interpolation formula

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{x}{h} \Delta f_0 + \frac{x(x-h)}{2!h^2} \Delta^2 f_0 + \frac{x(x-h)(x-2h)}{3!h^3} \Delta^3 f_0 + \dots$$

Gregory-Newton backward interpolation formula

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{x}{h} \Delta f_o + \frac{x(x+h)}{2!h^2} \Delta^2 f_o + \frac{x(x+h)(x+2h)}{3!h^3} \Delta^3 f_o + \dots$$

If we rescale the x variable such that $h=1$, we have:

Gregory-Newton forward interpolation formula

$$f(x) = f(0) + x \Delta f_o + \frac{x(x-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 f_o + \frac{x(x-1)(x-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 f_o + \dots$$

Gregory-Newton backward interpolation formula

$$f(x) = f(0) + x \Delta f_o + \frac{x(x+1)}{2!} \Delta^2 f_o + \frac{x(x+1)(x+2)}{3!} \Delta^3 f_o + \dots$$

Note: The x axis in the difference table can be shifted so that any desired point corresponds to $x=0$ (i.e., where we developed the difference tables based on the Taylor expansion).

4.4 Unevenly spaced data: Lagrange Polynomials

Consider a set of data $f(x_i)$ where the x_i are not evenly spaced and there are $i=n$ data points. We can define a polynomial of degree n associated with each point x_j as:

$$P_j(x) = A_j (x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_{j-1})(x - x_{j+1})(x - x_n) \quad (\text{Note: exclude } x_j \text{ term})$$

Where A_j is a constant. Thus, $P_j(x) = A_j \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq j}}^n (x - x_i)$

So, when x is equal to any of the x_i values, $P_j=0$, but $P_j \neq 0$ when $x=x_j$.

Then, if one of the data points in the set of data is marked as x_k : $P_j(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & k \neq j \\ A_j \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq j}}^n (x_j - x_i) & k = j \end{cases}$

And we define A_j as: $A_j = \frac{1}{\prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq j}}^n (x_j - x_i)}$ which means: $P_j(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & k \neq j \\ 1 & k = j \end{cases}$

The polynomials $P_j(x)$ are defined such that each one passes through zero at each data point except for the one point x_k and they are called *Lagrange polynomials*. We can form a linear combination of the $P_j(x)$:

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) P_j(x)$$

If we select one of the points (say x_2) then: $p_n(x_2) = f(x_2)$

Example: consider the following set of data

We wish to interpolate for $f(7)$, then:

i	0	1	2	3
x_i	1	2	4	8
$f(x_i)$	1	3	7	11

$$p_3(7) = f(1)P_0(7) + f(2)P_1(7) + f(4)P_2(7) + f(8)P_3(7) = 1P_0(7) + 3P_1(7) + 7P_2(7) + 11P_3(7)$$

$$P_j(x) = A_j \prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq j}}^n (x - x_i); \quad A_j = \frac{1}{\prod_{\substack{i=0 \\ i \neq j}}^n (x_j - x_i)}$$

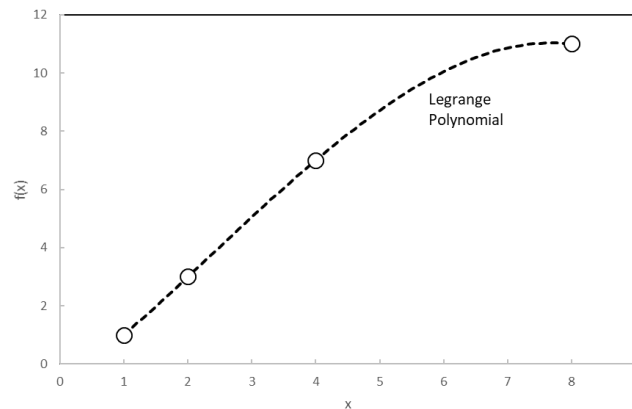
$$P_0(7) = \frac{(7-2)(7-4)(7-8)}{(1-2)(1-4)(1-8)} = 0.71429$$

$$P_1(7) = \frac{(7-1)(7-4)(7-8)}{(2-1)(2-4)(2-8)} = -1.5$$

$$P_2(7) = \frac{(7-1)(7-2)(7-8)}{(4-1)(4-2)(4-8)} = 1.25$$

$$P_3(7) = \frac{(7-1)(7-2)(7-4)}{(8-1)(8-2)(8-4)} = 0.53571$$

$$f(7) = 10.85710$$



4.6 Interpolation with Cubic Spline Function

Given a set of points x_i ($i=0, 1, 3, \dots, n$) which are not generally evenly spaced, and the corresponding $f(x_i)$, consider two adjacent points x_i and x_{i+1} . We wish to fit a cubic $F_i(x)$ to these two points and use it as an interpolating function between them.

$$F_i(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_i) + a_2(x - x_i)^2 + a_3(x - x_i)^3 \quad \text{for } (x_i \leq x \leq x_{i+1})$$

We have four unknowns and two end conditions: $F_i(x_i) = f(x_i)$ and $F_i(x_{i+1}) = f(x_{i+1})$

The next step is to also match the first and second derivatives of $F_i(x)$ to those of the cubic $F_{i-1}(x)$ in the adjacent interval $(x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i)$. Carrying out this procedure for $(x_0 \leq x \leq x_n)$ with special treatment of the end points, an approximating function for the region will be constructed consisting of the set of cubics $F_i(x)$ ($i=0, 1, \dots, n-1$). This function is denoted $g(x)$ and called a cubic spline.

To construct $g(x)$, it is convenient to note that, due to the matching of second derivatives of the cubics at each point x_i , the second derivative of $g(x)$ is continuous over the entire region $x_0 \leq x \leq x_n$. Note that since we are dealing with a cubic, the second derivative is a straight line over each interval. At any point x in the interval $x_i \leq x \leq x_{i+1}$:

And for interval $x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i$:

$$g''(x) = g''(x_i) + \frac{x - x_i}{x_{i+1} - x_i} [g''(x_{i+1}) - g''(x_i)] \quad g''(x) = g''(x_{i-1}) + \frac{x - x_{i-1}}{x_i - x_{i-1}} [g''(x_i) - g''(x_{i-1})]$$

Integrating twice with $\Delta x_i = (x_{i+1} - x_i)$ and $\Delta x_{i-1} = (x_i - x_{i-1})$ gives :

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) = F_i(x) &= \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} \left[\frac{(x_{i+1} - x)^3}{\Delta x_i} - \Delta x_i (x_{i+1} - x) \right] \\ &+ \frac{g''(x_{i+1})}{6} \left[\frac{(x - x_i)^3}{\Delta x_i} - \Delta x_i (x - x_i) \right] \\ &+ f(x_i) \left[\frac{x_{i+1} - x}{\Delta x_i} \right] + f(x_{i+1}) \left[\frac{x - x_i}{\Delta x_i} \right] \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} g(x) = F_{i-1}(x) &= \frac{g''(x_{i-1})}{6} \left[\frac{(x_i - x)^3}{\Delta x_{i-1}} - \Delta x_{i-1} (x_i - x) \right] \\ &+ \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} \left[\frac{(x - x_{i-1})^3}{\Delta x_{i-1}} - \Delta x_{i-1} (x - x_{i-1}) \right] \\ &+ f(x_{i-1}) \left[\frac{x_i - x}{\Delta x_{i-1}} \right] + f(x_i) \left[\frac{x - x_{i-1}}{\Delta x_{i-1}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

The expressions above are the 3rd order polynomials we need to fit the actual function in the intervals. But, it has lost the nice form of $F_i(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_i) + a_2(x - x_i)^2 + a_3(x - x_i)^3$. Nevertheless, if we can find the values for $g''(x)$, we can use these expressions for interpolation. To do this, we must differentiate the above expressions and remember that $F_i'(x_i) = F_{i-1}'(x_i)$, and $F_i''(x_i) = F_{i-1}''(x_i)$. Thus:

$$F_i'(x) = \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} \left[-\frac{3(x_{i+1} - x)^2}{\Delta x_i} + \Delta x_i \right] + \frac{g''(x_{i+1})}{6} \left[\frac{3(x - x_i)^2}{\Delta x_i} - \Delta x_i \right] - \frac{f(x_i)}{\Delta x_i} + \frac{f(x_{i+1})}{\Delta x_i}$$

$$F_i''(x) = \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} \left[\frac{6(x_{i+1} - x)}{\Delta x_i} \right] + \frac{g''(x_{i+1})}{6} \left[\frac{6(x - x_i)}{\Delta x_i} \right]$$

$$F_{i-1}'(x) = \frac{g''(x_{i-1})}{6} \left[-\frac{3(x_i - x)^2}{\Delta x_{i-1}} + \Delta x_{i-1} \right] + \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} \left[\frac{3(x - x_{i-1})^2}{\Delta x_{i-1}} - \Delta x_{i-1} \right] - \frac{f(x_{i-1})}{\Delta x_{i-1}} + \frac{f(x_i)}{\Delta x_{i-1}}$$

$$F_{i-1}''(x) = \frac{g''(x_{i-1})}{6} \left[\frac{6(x_i - x)}{\Delta x_{i-1}} \right] + \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} \left[\frac{6(x - x_{i-1})}{\Delta x_{i-1}} \right]$$

At $x=x_i$:

$$F_i'(x_i) = \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} [-2\Delta x_i] + \frac{g''(x_{i+1})}{6} [-\Delta x_i] - \frac{f(x_i)}{\Delta x_i} + \frac{f(x_{i+1})}{\Delta x_i} \quad F_i''(x_i) = g''(x_i)$$

$$F_{i-1}'(x_i) = \frac{g''(x_{i-1})}{6} [\Delta x_{i-1}] + \frac{g''(x_i)}{6} [2\Delta x_{i-1}] - \frac{f(x_{i-1})}{\Delta x_{i-1}} + \frac{f(x_i)}{\Delta x_{i-1}} \quad F_{i-1}''(x_i) = g''(x_i)$$

Since $F_i'(x_i) = F_{i-1}'(x_i)$ & $F_i''(x_i) = F_{i-1}''(x_i)$:

$$-\Delta x_i \frac{g''(x_i)}{3} - \Delta x_i \frac{g''(x_{i+1})}{6} - \frac{f(x_i)}{\Delta x_i} + \frac{f(x_{i+1})}{\Delta x_i} = \Delta x_{i-1} \frac{g''(x_{i-1})}{6} + \Delta x_{i-1} \frac{g''(x_i)}{3} - \frac{f(x_{i-1})}{\Delta x_{i-1}} + \frac{f(x_i)}{\Delta x_{i-1}}$$

$$[\Delta x_{i-1} + \Delta x_i] \frac{g''(x_i)}{3} + \Delta x_i \frac{g''(x_{i+1})}{6} + \Delta x_{i-1} \frac{g''(x_{i-1})}{6} = \frac{f(x_{i+1})}{\Delta x_i} + \frac{f(x_{i-1})}{\Delta x_{i-1}} - f(x_i) \left[\frac{1}{\Delta x_{i-1}} + \frac{1}{\Delta x_i} \right]$$

$$2[\Delta x_{i-1} + \Delta x_i] g''(x_i) + [\Delta x_i] g''(x_{i+1}) + \Delta x_{i-1} g''(x_{i-1}) = \frac{6f(x_{i+1})}{\Delta x_i} + \frac{6f(x_{i-1})}{\Delta x_{i-1}} - 6f(x_i) \left[\frac{1}{\Delta x_{i-1}} + \frac{1}{\Delta x_i} \right]$$

$$\boxed{\frac{2[x_{i+1} - x_{i-1}]}{\Delta x_i} g''(x_i) + g''(x_{i+1}) + \frac{\Delta x_{i-1}}{\Delta x_i} g''(x_{i-1}) = 6 \left[\frac{f(x_{i+1}) - f(x_i)}{\Delta x_i^2} - \frac{f(x_{i-1}) - f(x_i)}{\Delta x_{i-1} \Delta x_i} \right]}$$

We could simplify the notation to:

$$\boxed{2\lambda_i g''(x_i) + g''(x_{i+1}) + \mu_i g''(x_{i-1}) = 6f(x_{i-1}, x_i, x_{i+1})} \text{ where } \lambda_i = \frac{[x_{i+1} - x_{i-1}]}{\Delta x_i}, \mu_i = \frac{\Delta x_{i-1}}{\Delta x_i}$$

Thus, for all intervals $i=1,2,...,n-1$ we have this equation.

If the x_i are evenly spaced then $\lambda_i=2, \mu_i=1$ and:

$$4g''(x_i) + g''(x_{i+1}) + g''(x_{i-1}) = 6 \left[\frac{f(x_{i+1}) - 2f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1}))}{\Delta x_i^2} \right]$$

We can specify that $g''(x_0)=0$ and $g''(x_n)=0$ to produce a *natural cubic spline*.

Or, we can specify that $g'(x_0)=\alpha$ and $g'(x_n)=\beta$ to produce a *clamped cubic spline*.

Natural cubic spline:

The set of equations for n data points can be put in matrix form as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & & & \\ \mu_1 & 2\lambda_1 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \mu_{n-1} & 2\lambda_{n-1} & 1 \\ & & 0 & 1 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g''_0 \\ g''_1 \\ \vdots \\ g''_{n-1} \\ g''_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f''(x_0) \\ 6f[x_0, x_1, x_2] \\ \vdots \\ 6f[x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}, x_n] \\ f''(x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, solve this set of linear equations and use expression for $F(x)$ to find estimates of $f(x)$.

Clamped cubic spline:

$$\text{For point } x_0, \text{ we know that: } F'(x_0) = \alpha = \frac{g''(x_0)}{6}[-2\Delta x_0] + \frac{g''(x_1)}{6}[-\Delta x_0] - \frac{f(x_0)}{\Delta x_0} + \frac{f(x_1)}{\Delta x_0}$$

$$\text{and at } x_n, \text{ we have: } F'(x_n) = \beta = \frac{g''(x_{n-1})}{6}[\Delta x_{n-1}] + \frac{g''(x_n)}{6}[2\Delta x_{n-1}] - \frac{f(x_{n-1})}{\Delta x_{n-1}} + \frac{f(x_n)}{\Delta x_{n-1}}$$

The matrix equation is then:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \left(-\frac{\Delta x_0}{3}\right) & \left(-\frac{\Delta x_0}{6}\right) & & & \\ \mu_1 & 2\lambda_1 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \mu_{n-1} & 2\lambda_{n-1} & 1 \\ & & \left(-\frac{\Delta x_{n-1}}{6}\right) & \left(-\frac{\Delta x_{n-1}}{3}\right) & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g''_0 \\ g''_1 \\ \vdots \\ g''_{n-1} \\ g''_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha + \frac{f(x_0)}{\Delta x_0} - \frac{f(x_1)}{\Delta x_0} \\ 6f[x_0, x_1, x_2] \\ \vdots \\ 6f[x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}, x_n] \\ \beta + \frac{f(x_{n-1})}{\Delta x_{n-1}} - \frac{f(x_n)}{\Delta x_{n-1}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, solve this set of linear equations and use expression for $F(x)$ to find estimates of $f(x)$.

Natural cubic spline example:

i	0	1	2	3	4
x_i	1	4	6	9	10
$f(x_i)$	4	9	15	7	3

We want to approximate $f(5)$.

First, set $g''(1)=g''(10)=0$.

$$\text{Now, for } i=1: 2 \frac{(6-1)}{(6-4)} g''(4) + g''(6) = 6 \left[\frac{15-9}{(6-4)^2} - \frac{9-4}{(6-4)(4-1)} \right] \rightarrow 5g''(4) + g''(6) = 4$$

$$\text{For } i=2: 0.6667g''(4) + 0.3333g''(6) + g''(9) = -11.3333$$

$$\text{For } i=3: 3g''(6) + 8g''(9) = -8$$

$$\text{Solving simultaneously: } g''(4) = 1.56932; g''(6) = -3.84661; g''(9) = 0.44248$$

$$\text{Substitution yields: } F_1(5) = 12.56932$$

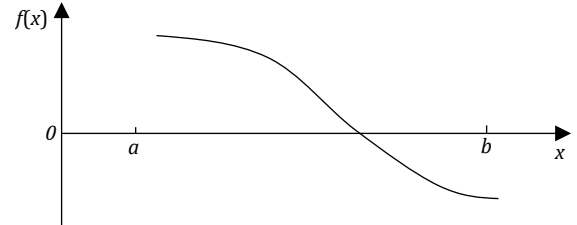
Note: once we have all the $g''(x_i)$ values, we just pick the appropriate interval for the desired x .

Ch. 5: Roots of Equations

The usual root solving problem involves an equation such as $Ax^3 + Bx^2 = Cx + D$, which gets manipulated to $Ax^3 + Bx^2 - Cx - D = 0$ and we search for values of x that satisfy the equation. These values of x are the roots of the equation; that is, where $f(x_{root})=0$.

5.1 Bisection

Consider the simplest case where $f(x)$ has only one real root in the interval $a \leq x \leq b$. Bisect the interval $x_m = (a+b)/2$ and compute $f(x_m) \cdot f(b)$. If the product is positive, then the root must be in the interval $a < x < x_m$ if negative $x_m < x < b$. Select the interval which contains the root, bisect it and repeat the entire procedure. This works for a single root, but if multiple roots exist, bisection gets very complicated.



5.2 Newton's Method (Newton-Raphson)

Consider a point x_0 , which is not a root of $f(x)$, but is "reasonably close" to a root. Expand $f(x)$ as a Taylor series:

$$f(x) = f(x_0) + (x - x_0)f'(x_0) + \frac{(x - x_0)^2}{2}f''(x_0) + \frac{(x - x_0)^3}{3!}f'''(x_0) + \dots$$

If $f(x) = 0$, then x must be a root and the right-hand side constitutes an equation for the root x . Set rhs equal to zero and keep only two terms:

$$0 = f(x_0) + (x - x_0)f'(x_0) \rightarrow x = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} \rightarrow x - x_0 = \delta = -\frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)}$$

Now x represents an improved estimate of the root, and can replace x_0 to yield an even better estimate of the root on the next iteration:

$$x^{(n+1)} - x^{(n)} = \delta^{(n+1)} = -\frac{f(x^{(n)})}{f'(x^{(n)})}$$

Newton's method algorithm:

i) input x_0, ϵ , ii) $x \leftarrow x_0$, iii) $\delta \leftarrow f(x)/f'(x)$, iv) $x \leftarrow x + \delta$, v) $|\delta| < \epsilon?$ (root $\leftarrow x$): (step iii-v)

5.3 Modified Newton's Method

Let $u(x) = \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$. Now, $u(x)$ will have same roots as $f(x)$. Next, apply *Newton's Method* to $u(x)$:

$$x^{(n+1)} - x^{(n)} = \delta^{(n+1)} = -\frac{u(x^{(n)})}{u'(x^{(n)})} \text{ where } u'(x) = \frac{(f'(x))^2 - f(x)f''(x)}{(f'(x))^2} = 1 - \frac{f(x)f''(x)}{(f'(x))^2}$$

Note: the *Modified Newton's Method* is useful for functions with multiple roots.

5.4 The Secant Method

The secant method is a modification to the conventional *Newton's method* with the derivative replaced by a difference expression:

$$x^{(n+1)} - x^{(n)} = \delta^{(n+1)} = - \frac{f(x^{(n)})}{\left[\frac{f(x^{(n)}) - f(x^{(n-1)})}{x^{(n)} - x^{(n-1)}} \right]} \delta^{(n)}$$

Secant method algorithm to find roots of $f(x)=0$.

- i)** input values for x_0 , x_{00} , and ϵ .
- ii)** Calculate $\delta = x_0 - x_{00}$
- iii)** Set $x = x_0$
- iv)** Compute $f_{old} = f(x_{00})$
- v)** Compute $f_{new} = f(x)$
- vi)** Compute $\delta = -f_{new} / [(f_{new} - f_{old}) / \delta]$
- vii)** Set $x = x + \delta$
- viii)** If $|\delta| < \epsilon$: return x
- ix)** If $|\delta| > \epsilon$: $f_{old} = f_{new}$ and repeat steps **v)** to **ix)**

Ch. 6 The Solution of Simultaneous Linear Algebraic Equations and Matrix InversionMatrix terminology:

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a column matrix (also a vector), } F = [1 \quad -3 \quad 5 \quad 2] \text{ is a row matrix}$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} & c_{14} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} & c_{24} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} & c_{34} \\ c_{41} & c_{42} & c_{43} & c_{44} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a } 4 \times 4 \text{ square matrix with a main diagonal of } c_{11}, c_{22}, c_{33}, c_{44}.$$

The square matrix is symmetric if $c_{ij} = c_{ji}$.

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} & c_{14} \\ 0 & c_{22} & c_{23} & c_{24} \\ 0 & 0 & c_{33} & c_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c_{44} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is an upper triangular matrix, } C = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & 0 & 0 \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} & 0 \\ 0 & c_{32} & c_{33} & c_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & c_{43} & c_{44} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is a banded matrix}$$

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is the identity matrix}$$

Basic Matrix operations:

Addition: $S = A + B$; $s_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$; $A+B=B+A$; $A-B=-B+A$

Multiplication: $P = AB$; $p_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{ki}$ ($n \times m \cdot m \times w$ yields $n \times w$ matrix); $AI=A$; $AB \neq BA$ in general

Matrix Representation and Formal Solution of Simultaneous Linear Equations:

$$\begin{aligned} c_{11}x_1 + c_{12}x_2 + c_{13}x_3 + c_{14}x_4 &= r_1 \\ c_{21}x_1 + c_{22}x_2 + c_{23}x_3 + c_{24}x_4 &= r_2 \\ c_{31}x_1 + c_{32}x_2 + c_{33}x_3 + c_{34}x_4 &= r_3 \\ c_{41}x_1 + c_{42}x_2 + c_{43}x_3 + c_{44}x_4 &= r_4 \end{aligned} \text{ can be expressed as: } \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & c_{13} & c_{14} \\ c_{21} & c_{22} & c_{23} & c_{24} \\ c_{31} & c_{32} & c_{33} & c_{34} \\ c_{41} & c_{42} & c_{43} & c_{44} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ r_3 \\ r_4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } CX = R$$

Ways to solve $CX=R$ are:

Cramer's rule:

- 1.) $x_k = \frac{\det(C_k)}{\det(C)}$ where C_k is C with its k^{th} column replaced by R . $\det(C)$ means determinant of C
- 2.) $X = C^{-1}R$ where C^{-1} is the inverse of C

Gaussian elimination

$$\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}=\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

To reduce a matrix \mathbf{A} to echelon form, we perform the basic row operations of:

- i) exchange rows
- ii) multiply row by a scalar
- iii) add scalar multiple of another row to replace a row

Goal is to get 1's along the matrix diagonal

Gauss-Jordan Method

Use Gaussian elimination to put \mathbf{A} in echelon form and then use rule iii) to make all other values in a column 0 except for along the body diagonal.

Observation: $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$

If I use Gauss-Jordan method on matrix $[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{I}]$, I will find the result to be $[\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{A}^{-1}]$

Gauss-Sidel Iteration:

Consider the example of three equations solved for x_1, x_2 , and x_3 :

$$c_{11}x_1 + c_{12}x_2 + c_{13}x_3 = r_1 \quad x_1 = (r_1 - c_{12}x_2 - c_{13}x_3) / c_{11}$$

$$c_{21}x_1 + c_{22}x_2 + c_{23}x_3 = r_2 \rightarrow x_2 = (r_2 - c_{21}x_1 - c_{23}x_3) / c_{22}$$

$$c_{31}x_1 + c_{32}x_2 + c_{33}x_3 = r_3 \quad x_3 = (r_3 - c_{31}x_1 - c_{32}x_2) / c_{33}$$

Algorithm for Gauss-Sidel for $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$:

- i) Create an augmented matrix $\mathbf{M}=[\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}]$ such that \mathbf{M} is $m \times n$ (generally $n=m+1$)
- ii) Exchange rows of \mathbf{M} so that the largest numbers (absolute value) occur along body diagonal.
- iii) Guess initial values for x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m .

$$\text{iv) Calculate new } x_i \text{ by } x_i = \frac{\left(b_i - \sum_{j \neq i, j=1}^{n-1} c_{ij}x_j \right)}{c_{ii}}$$

- v) With updated x_i , calculate x_{i+1} by iv). After updating x_m , one iteration is complete
- vi) Repeat steps iv) & v) for desired number of iterations or until change in x_i is sufficiently small.
- vii) Return \mathbf{x} .

Ch. 7 Least-Squares Curve Fitting

Consider a function $f(x)$ that is to be approximated with a function $g(x)$. The approximating function distance from the true function can be calculated as: $d(x) = |f(x) - g(x)|$

If data is available at discrete x coordinates (x_i) and there are n such coordinates, then $d(x)$ is minimized in the least-squares sense if: $E = \sum_{i=1}^n d^2(x_i)$ is minimized. Most commonly, we use a polynomial of degree l for the approximating function: $g(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \dots + a_lx^l$. Now we have:

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^n [a_0 + a_1x_i + a_2x_i^2 + \dots + a_lx_i^l - f(x_i)]^2$$

Note that E is minimized by varying the $(l+1)$ coefficients. Note, setting the partial derivative of E w.r.t. each coefficient equal to zero, accomplishes the minimization.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial E}{\partial a_0} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial a_0} \sum_{i=1}^n [a_0 + a_1x_i + a_2x_i^2 + \dots + a_lx_i^l - f(x_i)]^2 \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial a_0} []^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n 2 [] \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial a_0} [] \right\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n 2 [a_0 + a_1x_i + a_2x_i^2 + \dots + a_lx_i^l - f(x_i)](1) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad \text{etc.}$$

$$= na_0 + a_1 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right] + a_2 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right] + a_3 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3 \right] + \dots + a_l \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^l \right] = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial a_1} = a_0 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right] + a_1 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right] + a_2 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^3 \right] + a_3 \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^4 \right] + \dots + a_l \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{l+1} \right] = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f(x_i)$$

The complete set of simultaneous linear equations in the coefficients of the polynomial is:

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum x_i & \sum x_i^2 & \dots & \sum x_i^l \\ \sum x_i & \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i^3 & \dots & \sum x_i^{l+1} \\ \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i^3 & \sum x_i^4 & \dots & \sum x_i^{l+2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sum x_i^l & \sum x_i^{l+1} & \sum x_i^{l+2} & \dots & \sum x_i^{2l} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_l \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum f(x_i) \\ \sum x_i f(x_i) \\ \sum x_i^2 f(x_i) \\ \vdots \\ \sum x_i^l f(x_i) \end{bmatrix}$$

Which, can be solved by Gauss-Jordan elimination to find the a vector and hence $g(x)$

Ch. 8: Numerical Integration**8.1 The Trapezoidal Rule**

Consider an integrable function $f(x)$ on the interval $a \leq x \leq b$. We wish to find: $I = \int_a^b f(x) dx$.

We divide the interval into n equal subintervals with width of $\Delta x = (b-a)/n$ and estimate the area under each interval by:

$$\int_{x_{j-1}}^x f(x) dx \approx \frac{f_{j-1} + f_j}{2} \Delta x \quad \text{and} \quad \int_x^{x_{j+1}} f(x) dx \approx \frac{f_j + f_{j+1}}{2} \Delta x$$

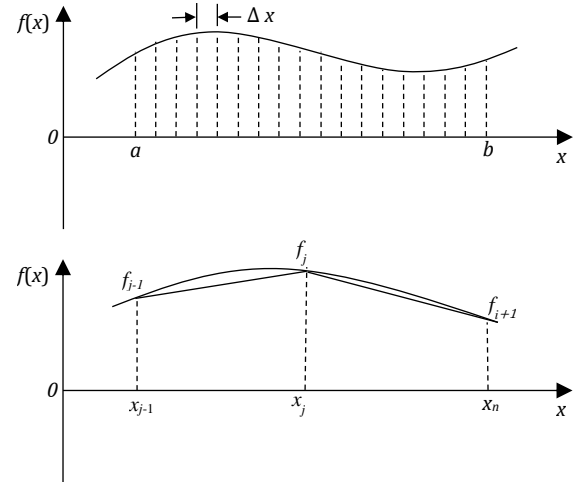
Thus in the interval $(x_{j-1} \leq x \leq x_{j+1})$:

$$\int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_{j+1}} f(x) dx = \int_{x_{j-1}}^x f(x) dx + \int_x^{x_{j+1}} f(x) dx \approx \frac{f_{j-1} + 2f_j + f_{j+1}}{2} \Delta x$$

So for the interval $a \leq x \leq b$:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{\Delta x}{2} \left(f_0 + f_n + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f_j \right)$$

Note: this method implicitly uses a linear interpolation between points to estimate $f(x)$.



If the indefinite integral is defined as: $I(x) = \int_a^x f(x) dx$ and x_j is located at the dividing line between two panels, then $I(x_j)$ is the area under $f(x)$ from $x=a$ to this dividing line. The quantity $I(x_{j+1})$ is then composed of this area plus the area of one more panel. Assuming that $I(x)$ is analytic, then $I(x_{j+1})$ can be obtained from the Taylor series expansion about x_j :

$$I(x_j + \Delta x) = I(x_{j+1}) = I(x_j) + (\Delta x)I'(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{2}I''(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{3!}I'''(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^4$$

Note: $I(x) = \int_a^x f(x) dx$, $I'(x) = f(x)$, $I''(x) = f'(x)$, etc.

$$\text{Now, } I(x_{j+1}) = I(x_j) + (\Delta x)f'(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{2}f''(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{3!}f'''(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^4$$

We can estimate the first derivative with a simple forward difference representation:

$$f'(x_j) = \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - f(x_j)}{\Delta x} - \frac{\Delta x}{2}f''(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^2$$

And substitute this into the integral expression and collect terms:

$$I(x_{j+1}) = I(x_j) + \frac{\Delta x}{2}[f(x_{j+1}) + f(x_j)] - \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{12}f''(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^4$$

The single panel integral approximation is:

$$S_{j+1} = I(x_{j+1}) - I(x_j) = \frac{\Delta x}{2}[f(x_{j+1}) + f(x_j)] - \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{12}f''(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^4$$

Thus:

$$I = \sum_{j=1}^n S_j = \frac{\Delta x}{2} \left[f(a) + f(b) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) \right] - \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{12} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f''(x_j) + \text{higher order terms}$$

The last term can be represented as:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f''(x_j) = n f''(\bar{x}), \text{ where } a \leq \bar{x} \leq b \text{ such that } n f''(\bar{x}) = \frac{b-a}{\Delta x} f''(\bar{x})$$

And the integral becomes:

$$I = \frac{\Delta x}{2} \left[f(a) + f(b) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) \right] - \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{12} (b-a) f''(\bar{x}) + \text{higher order terms}$$

We can estimate $f''(\bar{x})$ as: $f''(\bar{x}) = \frac{f'(b) - f'(a)}{b-a}$

$$I \approx \frac{\Delta x}{2} \left[f(a) + f(b) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) \right] - \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{12} [f'(b) - f'(a)]$$

This is the *trapezoidal rule with end correction*.

8.2 Simpson's Rule

Instead of a linear interpolation, what if we use a parabolic arc interpolation function. Consider the following expansion of the integral as a function of x :

$$I(x_j + \Delta x) = I(x_{j+1}) =$$

$$I(x_j) + (\Delta x) f'(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{2} f''(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{3!} f'''(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^4}{4!} f^{(4)}(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^5}{5!} f^{(5)}(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^6}{6!} f^{(6)}(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^7$$

and

$$I(x_j - \Delta x) = I(x_{j-1}) =$$

$$I(x_j) - (\Delta x) f'(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{2} f''(x_j) - \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{3!} f'''(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^4}{4!} f^{(4)}(x_j) - \frac{(\Delta x)^5}{5!} f^{(5)}(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^6}{6!} f^{(6)}(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^7$$

Subtracting:

$$I(x_{j-1}) - I(x_{j+1}) = 2(\Delta x) f'(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{3} f'''(x_j) + \frac{(\Delta x)^5}{60} f^{(5)}(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^7$$

Using a central difference for $f''(x_j)$:

$$f''(x_j) = \frac{f(x_{j+1}) - 2f(x_j) + f(x_{j-1}))}{(\Delta x)^2} - \frac{(\Delta x)^2}{12} f^{(4)}(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^4$$

Substituting into the previous equation to get area between two panels x_{j-1} and x_{j+1} :

$$I(x_{j-1}) - I(x_{j+1}) = \frac{(\Delta x)}{3} [f(x_{j+1}) + 4f(x_j) + f(x_{j-1}))] - \frac{(\Delta x)^5}{90} f^{(5)}(x_j) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^7$$

For the integral over the interval $a \leq x \leq b$ if $D_j = I(x_{j+1}) - I(x_{j-1})$:

$$I = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \text{ odd}}}^{n-1} D_j \quad \text{Note: just odd so we don't double count and this requires number of panels to be even.}$$

If we sum for all pairs of panels then:

$$I = \frac{\Delta x}{3} [f_2 + 4f_1 + f_0 + f_4 + 4f_3 + f_2 + f_6 + 4f_5 + f_4 + \dots] + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^4$$

$$I = \frac{(\Delta x)}{3} \left[f_0 + f_n + 4 \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \text{ odd}}}^{n-1} f_j + 2 \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \text{ even}}}^{n-2} f_j \right] - \frac{(\Delta x)^4}{180} (b-a) f^{(4)}(\bar{x}) + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^6$$

Or

$$I = \frac{(\Delta x)}{3} \left[f_0 + f_n + 4 \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \text{ odd}}}^{n-1} f_j + 2 \sum_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \text{ even}}}^{n-2} f_j \right] + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x)^4$$