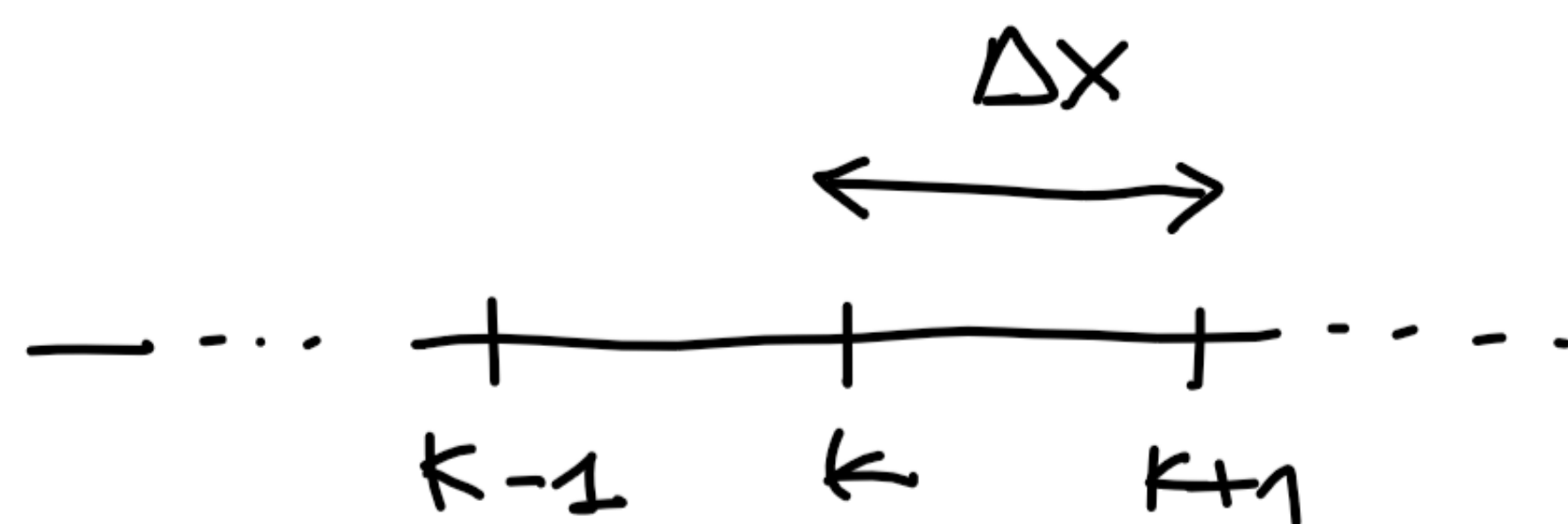


SECOND DERIVATIVE



$$f_{k+1} = f_k + \cancel{\frac{df(x)}{dx} \Big|_k} \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 f(x)}{dx^2} \Big|_k \Delta x^2 + \frac{1}{6} \cancel{\frac{d^3 f(x)}{dx^3} \Big|_k} \Delta x^3 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^4) \quad (1)$$

$$f_{k-1} = f_k - \cancel{\frac{df(x)}{dx} \Big|_k} \Delta x + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 f(x)}{dx^2} \Big|_k \Delta x^2 - \frac{1}{6} \cancel{\frac{d^3 f(x)}{dx^3} \Big|_k} \Delta x^3 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^4) \quad (2)$$

(1) + (2)

$$f_{k+1} + f_{k-1} = 2f_k + \frac{d^2 f(x)}{dx^2} \Big|_k \Delta x^2 + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^4)$$

$$\frac{d^2 f(x)}{dx^2} \Big|_k = \frac{f_{k+1} - 2f_k + f_{k-1}}{\Delta x^2} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta x^2)$$

Centered finite
difference formula
for second derivative

Accuracy: 2nd order

To Do:

• Develop FORWARD / BACKWARD expressions $\mathcal{O}(\Delta x)$ for $\frac{d^2 f(x)}{dx^2}$

Hint: $f_{k+1} = f_k + \dots$

$f_{k+2} = f_k + \dots$



$$f(x) = 2x^4 + 3x^3 + x^2 + 0.5x - 3$$

$$\frac{df(x)}{dx} = 8x^3 + 9x^2 + 2x + 0.5$$

$$\frac{df}{dx} \Big|_k \begin{cases} \frac{f_{k+1} - f_k}{\Delta x} & \frac{f_k - f_{k-1}}{\Delta x} \\ \frac{f_{k+1} - f_{k-1}}{2\Delta x} \end{cases}$$

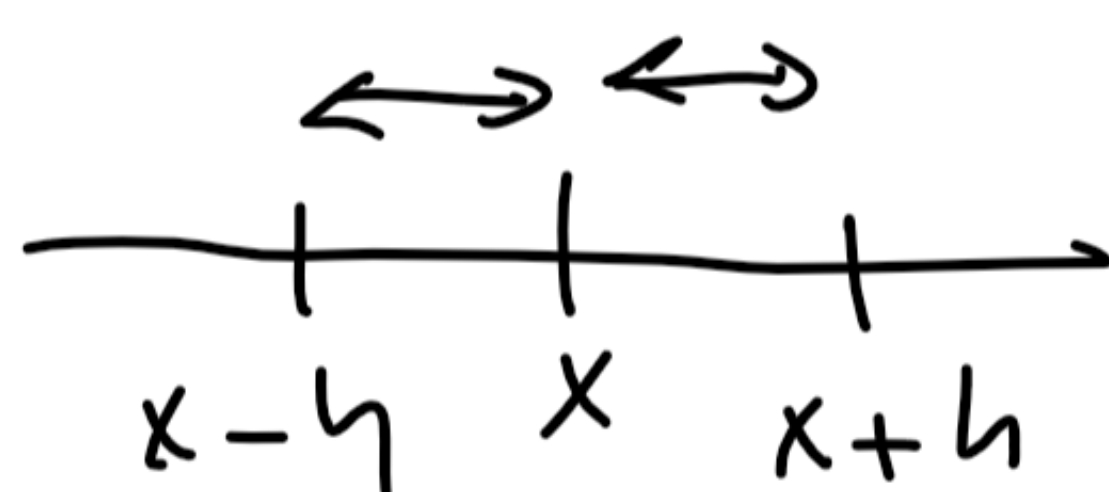
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define h

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \quad \text{FWD}$$

$$\frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h} \quad \text{BWD}$$

$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} \quad \text{CD}$$



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