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PROGRAM STATEMENT: For given set of values
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x | 0 1 2 3 f(x) | 1 2 11 34

Compute the value of f(.5) using Newton's Forward Interpolation Formula

THEORY: Newton's Forward Interpolation Formula is,

 $f(x) \approx p(x) = f(x_0) + u.\Delta f(x_0) + u.(u-1)\Delta^2 f(x_0)/2! + \dots + u(u-1)\dots + u(u-n+1).\Delta^n f(x_0)/n!$ Where x_0 is the starting point of an equispaced(of spaced h) n intervals, p(x) is the assumed a polynomial of degree less than or equal to n, f(x) is the required function, each $\Delta^r f(x_0) = \Delta^{r-1} f(x_0 + h) - \Delta^{r-1} f(x_0) .$

PROGRAM CODE:

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//{\rm C} Program to Implement Newton's Forward Method
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
     int n,i,j,m;
     double x,h,u,p,s;
     printf("Enter number of arguments:");
     scanf("%d",&n);
     m=n+1;
     double f[n][n+1];
     printf("Enter values of x\n");
     for(i=0;i<n;i++)
           scanf("%lf",&f[i][0]);
           if(i==1)
                h=f[1][0]-f[0][0];
           if((i>1) &&(f[i][0]-f[i-1][0]!=h))
                printf("%lf %lf Non-equispaced intervals. Program
Terminated\n", h, f[i][0]-f[i-1][0]);
                return 1;
           }
     printf("Enter corresponding values of y i.e f(x) \n");
     for(i=0;i<n;i++)
           scanf("%lf",&f[i][1]);
     for(i=1;i<n;i++)
           for(j=0;j<m-1;j++)
                f[j][i+1]=f[j+1][i]-f[j][i];
           }
           m--;
     m=n+1;
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printf("The Forward Difference Table is:\nx\tf(x) \t\Delta f(x)");
     for(i=2;i<n;i++)
          printf("\t\Delta^{df}(x)",i);
     printf("\n----");
     for(i=2;i<=n;i++)
          printf("----");
     for(i=0;i<n;i++)
          printf("\n");
          for(j=0;j<m;j++)
               printf("%.31f\t",f[i][j]);
          }
          m--;
     }
     printf("\nEnter x for which you want to find the value of f(x):");
     scanf("%lf",&x);
     if(x>(f[0][0]+f[n-1][0])/2)
          printf("Value of x is near the end of the table. Use Newton's
Backward formula. Program Terminated\n");
         return 2;
     }
     u=(x-f[0][0])/h;
     s=f[0][1];
     p=u;
     m=n+1;
     for(i=2;i<m;i++)
          s=s+(p*f[0][i]);
         p=p*(u-i+1)/i;
     printf("The value of f(x) for given x is %.3lf\n",s);
     return 0;
}
OUTPUT:
Enter number of arguments:4
Enter values of x
0 1 2 3
Enter corresponding values of y i.e f(x)
1 2 11 34
The Forward Difference Table is:
   f(x) \Delta f(x) \Delta^2 f(x)
                                    \Delta^3f(x)
                         8.000
0.0001.000 1.000
              9.000
1.0002.000
                         14.000
2.00011.000
            23.000
3.00034.000
Enter x for which you want to find the value of f(x):.5
The value of f(x) for given x is 0.875
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