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8. LECTURE NOTES

Interpolation

Introduction:-

If we consider the statement $y = f(x)$ for $x_0 \leq x \leq x_n$ we understand that we can find the value of y , corresponding to every value of x in the range $x_0 \leq x \leq x_n$. If the function $f(x)$ is single valued and continuous and is known explicitly then the values of $f(x)$ for certain values of x like x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n can be calculated. The problem now is if we are given the set of tabular values

$$\begin{array}{lll} x : x_0 & x_1 & x_2, \dots, x_n \\ y : y_0 & y_1 & y_2, \dots, y_n \end{array}$$

Satisfying the relation $y = f(x)$ and the explicit definition of $f(x)$ is not known, then it is possible to find a simple function say $f(x)$ such that $f(x)$ and $\phi(x)$ agree at the set of tabulated points. This process of finding $\phi(x)$ is called interpolation. If $\phi(x)$ is a polynomial then the process is called polynomial interpolation and $\phi(x)$ is called interpolating polynomial. In our study we are concerned with polynomial interpolation

Errors in Polynomial Interpolation:-

Suppose the function $y(x)$ which is defined at the points $(x_i, y_i) i = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ is continuous and differentiable $(n+1)$ times let $\phi_n(x)$ be polynomial of degree not exceeding n such that $\phi_n(x_i) = y_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n \rightarrow (1)$ be the approximation of $y(x)$ using this $\phi_n(x)$ for other value of x , not defined by (1) the error is to be determined

Since $y(x) - \phi_n(x) = 0$ for $x = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n$ we put

$$y(x) - \phi_n(x) = L\pi_{n+1}(x)$$

Where $\pi_{n+1}(x) = (x - x_0) \dots (x - x_n) \rightarrow (3)$ and L to be determined such that the equation (2) holds for any intermediate value of x such as $x = x^1, x_0 < x^1 < x_n$

$$\text{Clearly } L = \frac{y(x^1) - \phi_n(x^1)}{\pi_{n+1}(x^1)} \rightarrow (4)$$

We construct a function $F(x)$ such that $F(x) = F(x_n) = F(x^1)$. Then $F(x)$ vanishes $(n+2)$ times in the interval $[x_0, x_n]$. Then by repeated application of Rolle's theorem. $F'(x)$ must be zero $(n+1)$ times, $F''(x)$ must be zero n times..... in the interval $[x_0, x_n]$. Also $F^{n+1}(x) = 0$ once in this interval. Suppose this point is $x = \varepsilon, x_0 < \varepsilon < x_n$ differentiate (5) $(n+1)$ times with respect to x and putting $x = \varepsilon$, we get

$$y^{n+1}(\varepsilon) - L(n+1)! = 0 \text{ Which implies that } L = \frac{y^{n+1}(\varepsilon)}{(n+1)!}$$

Comparing (4) and (6), we get

$$y(x^1) - \phi_n(x^1) = \frac{y^{n+1}(\varepsilon)}{(n+1)!} \pi_{n+1}(x^1)$$

This can be written as $y(x) - \phi_n(x) = \frac{\pi_{n+1}(x)}{(n+1)!} y^{n+1}(\varepsilon)$

This given the required expression $x_0 < \varepsilon < x_n$ for error

2.1. Finite Differences:-

1. Introduction:-

In this chapter, we introduce what are called the forward, backward and central differences of a function $y = f(x)$. These differences and three standard examples of finite differences and play a fundamental role in the study of differential calculus, which is an essential part of numerical applied mathematics

2. Forward Differences:-

Consider a function $y = f(x)$ of an independent variable x . Let $y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r$ be the values of y corresponding to the values $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r$ of x respectively. Then the differences $y_1 - y_0, y_2 - y_1, \dots$ are called the first forward differences of y , and we denote them by $\Delta y_0, \Delta y_1, \dots$ that is

$$\Delta y_0 = y_1 - y_0, \Delta y_1 = y_2 - y_1, \Delta y_2 = y_3 - y_2, \dots$$

$$\text{In general } \Delta y_r = y_{r+1} - y_r \therefore r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Here, the symbol Δ is called the forward difference operator

The first forward differences of the first forward differences are called second forward differences and are denoted by $\Delta^2 y_0, \Delta^2 y_1, \dots$ that is

$$\Delta^2 y_0 = \Delta y_1 - \Delta y_0$$

$$\Delta^2 y_1 = \Delta y_2 - \Delta y_1$$

In general $\Delta^2 y_r = \Delta y_{r+1} - \Delta y_r$ $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ similarly, the n^{th} forward differences are defined by the formula.

$$\Delta^n y_r = \Delta^{n-1} y_{r+1} - \Delta^{n-1} y_r \quad r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

While using this formula for $n=1$, use the notation $\Delta^0 y_r = y_r$ and we have $\Delta^n y_r = 0 \forall n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ the symbol Δ^n is referred as the n^{th} forward difference operator.

3. Forward Difference Table:-

The forward differences are usually arranged in tabular columns as shown in the following table called a forward difference table

Values of x	Values of y	First differences	Second differences	Third differences	Fourth differences
x_0	y_0				
		$\Delta y_0 = y_1 - y_0$			
x_1	y_1		$\Delta^2 y_0 = \Delta y_1 - y_0$		
		$\Delta y_1 = y_2 - y_1$		$\Delta^3 y_0 = \Delta^2 y_1 - \Delta^2 y_0$	
x_2	y_2		$\Delta^2 y_1 = \Delta y_2 - \Delta y_1$		$\Delta^4 y_0 = \Delta^3 y_1 - \Delta^3 y_0$
		$\Delta y_2 = y_3 - y_2$		$\Delta^3 y_1 = \Delta^2 y_2 - \Delta^2 y_1$	
x_3	y_3		$\Delta^2 y_2 = \Delta y_3 - \Delta y_2$		
X4	y_4	$= y_4 - y_3$			

Example -finite forward difference table for $y = x^3$

x	$y = f(x)$	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$
1	1				
		7			
2	8		12		
		19		6	
3	27		18		0
		37		6	
4	64		24		0
		61		6	
5	125		30		
		91			
6	216				

4. Backward Differences:- As mentioned earlier, let $y_0, y_1, \dots, y_r, \dots$ be the values of a function $y = f(x)$ corresponding to the values $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r, \dots$ of x respectively. Then, $\nabla y_1 = y_1 - y_0, \nabla y_2 = y_2 - y_1, \nabla y_3 = y_3 - y_2, \dots$ are called the first backward differences

In general $\nabla y_r = y_r - y_{r-1}$, $r = 1, 2, 3, \dots \rightarrow (1)$

The symbol ∇ is called the backward difference operator, like the operator Δ , this operator is also a linear operator

Comparing expression (1) above with the expression (1) of section we immediately note that $\nabla y_r = \nabla y_{r-1}$, $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots \rightarrow (2)$

The first backward differences of the first backward differences are called second differences and are denoted by $\nabla^2 y_2, \nabla^2 y_3, \dots, \nabla^2 r, \dots$

i.e., $\nabla^2 y_2 = \nabla y_2 - \nabla y_1, \nabla^2 y_3 = \nabla y_3 - \nabla y_2, \dots$

In general $\nabla^2 y_r = \nabla y_r - \nabla y_{r-1}, r = 2, 3, \dots \rightarrow (3)$ similarly, the n^{th} backward differences are defined by the formula $\nabla^n y_r = \nabla^{n-1} y_r - \nabla^{n-1} y_{r-1}, r = n, n+1, \dots \rightarrow (4)$ While using this formula, for $n = 1$ we employ the notation $\nabla^0 y_r = y_r$

If $y = f(x)$ is a constant function, then $y = c$ is a constant, for all x , and we get

$\nabla^n y_r = 0 \forall n$ the symbol ∇^n is referred to as the n^{th} backward difference operator

5. Backward Difference Table:-

X	Y	∇y	$\nabla^2 y$	$\nabla^3 y$
x_0	y_0			
		$\nabla y_1 = y_1 - y_0$		
x_1	y_1		$\nabla^2 y_2$	
		$\nabla y_2 = y_2 - y_1$		$\nabla^3 y_3$
x_2	y_2		$\nabla^2 y_3$	
		$\nabla y_3 = y_3 - y_2$		
x_3	y_3			

6. Central Differences:-

With $y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r$ as the values of a function $y = f(x)$ corresponding to the values $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_r, \dots$ of x , we define the first central differences

$\delta y_{1/2}, \delta y_{3/2}, \delta y_{5/2} \dots$ as follows

$$\delta y_{1/2} = y_1 - y_0, \delta y_{3/2} = y_2 - y_1, \delta y_{5/2} = y_3 - y_2 \dots$$

$$\delta y_{r-1/2} = y_r - y_{r-1} \rightarrow (1)$$

The symbol δ is called the central differences operator. This operator is a linear operator comparing expressions (1) above with expressions earlier used on forward and backward differences we get

$$\delta y_{1/2} = \Delta y_0 = \nabla y_1, \delta y_{3/2} = \Delta y_1 = \nabla y_2 \dots$$

$$\text{In general } \delta y_{n+1/2} = \Delta y_n = \nabla y_{n+1}, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \rightarrow (2)$$

The first central differences of the first central differences are called the second central differences and are denoted by $\delta^2 y_1, \delta^2 y_2 \dots$

$$\text{Thus } \delta^2 y_1 = \delta_{3/2} - \delta_{1/2}, \delta^2 y_2 = \delta_{5/2} - \delta_{3/2} \dots$$

$$\delta^2 y_n = \delta y_{n+1/2} - \delta y_{n-1/2} \rightarrow (3)$$

Higher order central differences are similarly defined. In general the n^{th} central differences are given by

$$\text{i) for odd } n : \delta^n y_{r-1/2} = \delta^{n-1} y_r - \delta^{n-1} y_{r-1}, r = 1, 2, \dots \rightarrow (4)$$

$$\text{ii) for even } n : \delta^n y_r = \delta^{n-1} y_{r+1/2} - \delta^{n-1} y_{r-1/2}, r = 1, 2, \dots \rightarrow (5)$$

while employing for formula (4) for $n=1$, we use the notation $\delta^0 y_r = y_r$

If y is a constant function, that is if $y=c$ a constant, then

$$\delta^n y_r = 0 \text{ for all } n \geq 1$$

7. Central Difference Table

x_0	y_0	δy	$\delta^2 y$	$\delta^3 y$	$\delta^4 y$
		$\delta y_{1/2}$			
x_1	y_1		$\delta^2 y_1$		
		$\delta y_{2/2}$		$\delta^3 y_{3/2}$	
x_2	y_2		$\delta^2 y_2$		$\delta^4 y_2$
		$\delta y_{5/2}$		$\delta^3 y_{5/2}$	
x_3	y_3		$\delta^2 y_3$		
		$\delta y_{7/2}$			
x_4	y_4				

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ample: Given $f(-2)=12, f(-1)=16, f(0)=15, f(1)=18, f(2)=20$ from the central difference table and write down the values of $\delta y_{3/2}, \delta^2 y_0$ and $\delta^3 y_{7/2}$ by taking $x_0=0$

Sol. The central difference table is

x	$y = f(x)$	δy	$\delta^2 y$	$\delta^3 y$	$\delta^4 y$
-2	12				
		4			
-1	16		-5		
		-1		9	
0	15		4		-14
		3		-5	
1	18		-1		

		2			
2	20				

5. Symbolic Relations and Separation of symbols:

We will define more operators and symbols in addition to Δ , ∇ and δ already defined and establish difference formulae by symbolic methods

Averaging Operator-Definition:- The averaging operator μ is defined by the equation

$$\mu y_r = \frac{1}{2} [y_{r+1/2} + y_{r-1/2}]$$

Shift Operator-Definition:- The shift operator E is defined by the equation $Ey_r = y_{r+1}$.

This shows that the effect of E is to shift the functional value y_r to the next higher value y_{r+1} . A second operation with E gives $E^2 y_r = E(Ey_r) = E(y_{r+1}) = y_{r+2}$

Generalizing $E^n y^r = y_{r+n}$

Relationship Between Δ and E

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y_0 &= y_1 - y_0 \\ &= Ey_0 - y_0 = (E - 1)y_0 \\ \Rightarrow \Delta &= E - y \quad (\text{or}) E = 1 + \Delta\end{aligned}$$

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Some more relations

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta^3 y_0 &= (E - 1)^3 y_0 = (E^3 - 3E^2 + 3E - 1)y_0 \\ &= y_3 - 3y_2 + 3y_1 - y_0\end{aligned}$$

Inverse Shift Operator-Definition

Inverse operator E^{-1} is defined as $E^{-1} y_r = y_{r-1}$

In general $E^{-n} y_n = y_{r-n}$

We can easily establish the following relations

$$\text{i) } \nabla \equiv 1 - E^{-1}$$

$$\text{ii) } \delta \equiv E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$$

$$\text{iii) } \mu = \frac{1}{2} (E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})$$

$$\text{iv) } \Delta = \nabla E = E^{1/2}$$

$$\text{v) } \mu^2 \equiv 1 + \frac{1}{4} \delta^2$$

Differential Operator-Definition The operator D is defined as $Dy(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x}[y(x)]$

Relation between the Operators D and E

Using Taylor's series we have, $y(x+h) = y(x) + hy'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2!}y''(x) + \frac{h^3}{3!}y'''(x) + \dots$

This can be written in symbolic form

$$Ey_x = \left[1 + hD + \frac{h^2 D^2}{2!} + \frac{h^3 D^3}{3!} + \dots \right] y_x = e^{hD} \cdot y_x$$

We obtain in the relation $E = e^{hD} \rightarrow (3)$

- ❖ If $f(x)$ is a polynomial of degree n and the values of x are equally spaced then $\Delta^n f(x)$ is constant

Proof:

Let $f(x) = a_0 x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} x + a_n$ where $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ are constants and $a_0 \neq 0$. If

h is the step-length, we know the formula for the first forward difference

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta f(x) &= f(x+h) - f(x) = \left[a_0 (x+h)^n + a_1 (x+h)^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} (x+h) + a_n \right] \\ &\quad - \left[a_0 x^n + a_1 x^{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1} x + a_n \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= a_0 \left[\left\{ x^n + n.x^{n-1}h + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} x^{n-2}h^2 + \dots \right\} - x^n \right] + \\
 &a_1 \left[\left\{ x^{n-1} + (n-1)x^{n-2}h + \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2!} x^{n-3}h^2 + \dots \right\} - x^{n-1} \right] + \\
 &\dots + a_{n-1}h \\
 &= a_0 nhx^{n-1} + b_2 x^{n-2} + b_3 x^{n-3} + \dots + b_{n-3}x + b_{n-2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{n-2} are constants. Here this polynomial is of degree $(n-1)$, thus, the first difference of a polynomial of n^{th} degree is a polynomial of degree $(n-1)$

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta^2 f(x) &= \Delta[\Delta f(x)] \\
 &= \Delta[a_0 nhx^{n-1} + b_2 x^{n-2} + b_3 x^{n-3} + \dots + b_{n-1}x + b_{n-2}] \\
 &= a_0 nh \left[(x+h)^{n-1} - x^{n-1} \right] + b_2 \left[(x+h)^{n-2} - x^{n-2} \right] + \dots + b_{n-1} \left[(x+h) - x \right] \\
 &= a_0 n^{(n-1)} h^2 x^{n-2} + c_3 x^{n-3} + \dots + c_{n-4}x + c_{n-3}
 \end{aligned}$$

Where c_3, \dots, c_{n-3} are constants. This polynomial is of degree $(n-2)$

Thus, the second difference of a polynomial of degree n is a polynomial of degree $(n-2)$ continuing like this we get $\Delta^n f(x) = a_0 n(n-1)(n-2)\dots 2.1.h^n = a_0 h^n (n!)$

\therefore which is constant

Note:-

1. As $\Delta^n f(x)$ is a constant, it follows that $\Delta^{n+1} f(x) = 0, \Delta^{n+2} f(x) = 0, \dots$
2. The converse of above result is also true that is, if $\Delta^n f(x)$ is tabulated at equal spaced intervals and is a constant, then the function $f(x)$ is a polynomial of degree n

Example:-

1. Form the forward difference table and write down the values of $\Delta f(10)$, $\Delta^2 f(10), \Delta^3 f(15)$ and $\Delta^4 y(15)$

x	10	15	20	25	30	35
y	19.97	21.51	22.47	23.52	24.65	25.89

Sol.

x	Y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$	$\Delta^5 y$
10	19.97f(10)					
		1.54$\Delta f(10)$				
15	21.51f(15)		-0.58$\Delta^2 f(10)$			
		0.96		0.67		
20	22.47f(20)		0.09		- 0.68	
		1.05		- 0.01$\Delta^3 f(15)$		0.72
25	23.52f(25)		0.08		0.04 $\Delta^4 f(15)$	
		1.13		0.03		
30	24.65f(30)		0.11			
		1.24				
35	25.89f(35)					

We note that the values of x are equally spaced with step-length h = 5

Note: $\therefore x_0 = 10, x_1 = 15, \dots, x_5 = 35$ and

$$y_0 = f(x_0) = 19.97$$

$$y_1 = f(x_1) = 21.51$$

$$y_5 = f(x_5) = 25.89$$

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From table

$$\Delta f(10) = \Delta y_0 = 1.54$$

$$\Delta^2 f(10) = \Delta^2 y_0 = -0.58$$

$$\Delta^3 f(15) = \Delta^3 y_1 = -0.01$$

$$\Delta^4 f(15) = \Delta^4 y_1 = 0.04$$

2. Evaluate

$$(i) \Delta \cos x$$

$$(ii) \Delta^2 \sin(px + q)$$

$$(iii) \Delta^n e^{ax+b}$$

Sol. Let h be the interval of differencing

$$(i) \Delta \cos x = \cos(x + h) - \cos x$$

$$= -2 \sin\left(x + \frac{h}{2}\right) \sin\frac{h}{2}$$

$$(ii) \Delta \sin(px + q) = \sin[p(x + h) + q] - \sin(px + q) \quad \Delta f(x) = f(x + h) - f(x), \text{for ward formula}$$

$$= 2 \cos\left(px + q + \frac{ph}{2}\right) \sin\frac{ph}{2}$$

$$= 2 \sin\frac{ph}{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + px + q + \frac{ph}{2}\right)$$

$$\nabla f(x) = f(x) - f(x - h) \text{ back ward formula}$$

$$\Delta^2 \sin(px + q) = 2 \sin\frac{ph}{2} \Delta \left[\sin(px + q) + \frac{1}{2}(\pi + ph) \right]$$

$$= \left[2 \sin\frac{ph}{2} \right]^2 \sin\left[px + q + \frac{1}{2}(\pi + ph) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (iii) \Delta e^{ax+b} &= e^{a(x+h)+b} - e^{ax+b} \\
 &= e^{(ax+b)} (e^{ah} - 1) \\
 \Delta^2 e^{ax+b} &= \Delta [\Delta(e^{ax+b})] - \Delta [(e^{ah} - 1)(e^{ax+b})] \\
 &= (e^{ah} - 1)^2 \Delta(e^{ax+b}) \\
 &= (e^{ah} - 1)^2 e^{ax+b}
 \end{aligned}$$

Proceeding on, we get $\Delta^n (e^{ax+b}) = (e^{ah} - 1)^n e^{ax+b}$

3. Using the method of separation of symbols show that

$$\Delta^n \mu_{x-n} = \mu_{x-n} - n\mu_{x-1} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \mu_{x-2} - \dots + (-1)^n \mu_{x-n}$$

Sol. To prove this result, we start with the right hand side. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mu x - n\mu x - 1 + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \mu x - 2 - \dots + (-1)^n \mu x - n \\
 &= \mu x - nE^{-1} \mu x + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} E^{-2} \mu x - \dots + (-1)^n E^{-n} \mu x \\
 &= \left[1 - nE^{-1} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} E^{-2} - \dots + (-1)^n E^{-n} \right] \mu x = (1 - E^{-1})^n \mu x \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{E} \right)^n \mu n = \frac{(E-1)^n}{E} \mu n \\
 &= \frac{\Delta^n}{E^n} \mu x = \Delta^n E^{-n} \mu x \\
 &= \Delta^n \mu_{x-n} \text{ This is left hand side}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Find the missing term in the following data

X	0	1	2	3	4
Y	1	3	9	-	81

Why this value is not equal to 3^3 . Explain

Sol. Consider $\Delta^4 y_0 = 0$

x	Y	Δ	Δ^2	Δ^3	Δ^4	
0	1	2	4	$x-19$	$124-4x=0$	
1	3	6	$x-15$	$105-3x$		
2	9	$X-9$	$90-2x$			
3	X	$81-x$				
4	81					

$$\Rightarrow 4y_0 - 4y_3 + 5y_2 - 4y_1 + y_0 = 0 \quad 124-4x=0 \rightarrow x = 124/4 = 31$$

Substitute given values we get

$$81 - 4y_3 + 54 - 12 + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow y_3 = 31$$

From the given data we can conclude that the given function is $y = 3^x$. To find y_3 , we have to assume that y is a polynomial function, which is not so. Thus we are not getting $y = 3^3 = 27$

2.2. a. Newton's Forward Interpolation Formula:-

Let $y = f(x)$ be a polynomial of degree n and taken in the following form

$$y = f(x) = b_0 + b_1(x - x_0) + b_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) + b_3(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) + \dots + b_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1)\dots(x - x_{n-1}) \rightarrow (1)$$

This polynomial passes through all the points $[x_i; y_i]$ for $i = 0$ to n . therefore, we can obtain the y_i 's by substituting the corresponding x_i 's as

$$\text{at } x = x_0, y_0 = b_0$$

$$\text{at } x = x_1, y_1 = b_0 + b_1(x_1 - x_0)$$

$$\text{at } x = x_2, y_2 = b_0 + b_1(x_2 - x_0) + b_2(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) \rightarrow (1)$$

Let 'h' be the length of interval such that x_i 's represent

$$x_0, x_0 + h, x_0 + 2h, x_0 + 3h, \dots, x_0 + nh$$

This implies $x_1 - x_0 = h, x_2 - x_0 = 2h, x_3 - x_0 = 3h, \dots, x_n - x_0 = nh \rightarrow (2)$

From (1) and (2), we get

$$y_0 = b_0$$

$$y_1 = b_0 + b_1 h$$

$$y_2 = b_0 + b_1 2h + b_2 (2h)h$$

$$y_3 = b_0 + b_1 3h + b_2 (3h)(2h) + b_3 (3h)(2h)h$$

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$$y_n = b_0 + b_1 (nh) + b_2 (nh)(n-1)h + \dots + b_n (nh)[(n-1)h][(n-2)h] \rightarrow (3)$$

Solving the above equations for $b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n$, we get $b_0 = y_0$

$$b_1 = \frac{y_1 - b_0}{h} = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{h} = \frac{\Delta y_0}{h}$$

$$b_2 = \frac{y_2 - b_0 - b_1 2h}{2h^2} = y_2 - y_0 - \frac{(y_1 - y_0)}{h} 2h$$

$$= \frac{y_2 - y_0 - 2y_1 + 2y_0}{2h^2} = \frac{y_2 - 2y_1 + y_0}{2h^2} = \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2h^2}$$

$$\therefore b_2 = \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!h^2}$$

Similarly, we can see that

$$b_3 = \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!h^3}, b_4 = \frac{\Delta^4 y_0}{4!h^4}, \dots, b_n = \frac{\Delta^n y_0}{n!h^n}$$

$$\therefore y = f(x) = y_0 + \frac{\Delta y_0}{h}(x - x_0) + \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!h^2}(x - x_0)(x - x_1)$$

$$+ \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!h^3}(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) + \dots +$$

$$+ \frac{\Delta^n y_0}{n!h^n}(x - x_0)(x - x_1)\dots(x - x_{n-1}) \rightarrow (3)$$

If we use the relationship $x = x_0 + ph \Rightarrow x - x_0 = ph$, where $p = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}x - x_1 &= x - (x_0 + h) = (x - x_0) - h \\&= ph - h = (p-1)h\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x - x_2 &= x - (x_1 + h) = (x - x_1) - h \\&= (p-1)h - h = (p-2)h\end{aligned}$$

$$x - x_i = (p-i)h$$

$$x - x_{n-1} = [p - (n-1)]h$$

Equation (3) becomes for $p = \frac{x - x_0}{h}$

$$\begin{aligned}y = f(x) &= f(x_0 + ph) = y_0 + p\Delta y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots + \\&\quad \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)\dots(p-(n-1))}{n!} \Delta^n y_0 \rightarrow (4)\end{aligned}$$

2.2. b. Newton's Backward Interpolation Formula:-

If we consider

$$y_n(x) = a_0 + a_1(x - x_n) + a_2(x - x_n)(x - x_{n-1}) + a_3(x - x_n)(x - x_{n-1})(x - x_{n-2}) + \dots + (x - x_i)$$

and impose the condition that y and $y_n(x)$ should agree at the tabulated points $x_n, x_{n-1}, \dots, x_2, x_1, x_0$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned}y_n(x) &= y_n + p\nabla y_n + \frac{p(p+1)}{2!} \nabla^2 y_n + \dots \\&\quad \frac{p(p+1)\dots[p+(n-1)]}{n!} \nabla^n y_n + \dots \rightarrow (6)\end{aligned}$$

Where $p = \frac{x - x_n}{h}$

This uses tabular values of the left of y_n . Thus this formula is useful for interpolation near the end of the table values

Formula for Error in Polynomial Interpolation:-

If $y = f(x)$ is the exact curve and $y = \phi_n(x)$ is the interpolating curve, then the error in polynomial interpolation is given by

$$\text{Error} = f(x) - \phi_n(x) = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_n)}{(n+1)!} f^{n+1}(\varepsilon) \rightarrow (7)$$

for any x , where $x_0 < x < x_n$ and $x_0 < \varepsilon < x_n$

The error in Newton's forward interpolation formula is given by

$$f(x) - \phi_n(x) = \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)\dots(p-n)}{(n+1)!} \Delta^{n+1} f(\varepsilon)$$

$$\text{Where } p = \frac{x-x_0}{h}$$

The error in Newton's backward interpolation formula is given by

$$f(x) - \phi_n(x) = \frac{p(p+1)(p+2)\dots(p+n)}{(n+1)!} h^{n+1} y^{n+1} f(\varepsilon) \text{ Where } p = \frac{x-x_n}{h}$$

Examples:-

- Find the melting point of the alloy containing 54% of lead, using appropriate interpolation formula

Percentage of lead(p)-X	50	60	70	80
Temperature ($Q^\circ c$)-Y	205	225	248	274

Sol. The difference table is

X	Y	Δ	Δ^2	Δ^3
50=X₀	205=Y₀			
		20=ΔY₀		
60	225		3=Δ²Y₀	
		23		0=Δ³Y₀
70	248		3	
		26		
80	274			

Let temperature = $f(x)$, $X=54$

$$x_0 + ph = 24, x_0 = 50, h = 10$$

$$50 + p(10) = 54 \text{ (or)} p = 0.4$$

By Newton's forward interpolation formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x_0 + ph) &= y_0 + p\Delta y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{n!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots \\
 f(54) &= 205 + 0.4(20) + \frac{0.4(0.4-1)}{2!}(3) + \frac{(0.4)(0.4-1)(0.4-2)}{3!}(0) \\
 &= 205 + 8 - 0.36 \\
 &= 212.64
 \end{aligned}$$

Melting point = 212.64

2. Using Newton's forward interpolation formula, and the given table of values

X	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.9
$f(x)$	0.21	0.69	1.25	1.89	2.61

Obtain the value of $f(x)$ when $x = 1.4$

Sol.

x	$y = f(x)$	Δ	Δ^2	Δ^3	Δ^4
1.1	0.21				
		0.48			
1.3	0.69		0.08		
		0.56		0	
1.5	1.25		0.08		0
		0.64		0	
1.7	1.89		0.08		
		0.72			
1.9	2.61				

If we take $x_0 = 1.3$ then $y_0 = 0.69$,

$$\Delta y_0 = 0.56, \Delta^2 y_0 = 0.08, \Delta^3 y_0 = 0, L = 0.2, x = 1.3$$

$$x_0 + ph = 1.4 \quad (\text{or}) \quad 1.3 + p(0.2) = 1.4, p = \frac{1}{2}$$

Using Newton's interpolation formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(1.4) &= 0.69 + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.56 + \frac{\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right)}{2!} \times 0.08 \\
 &= 0.69 + 0.28 - 0.01 = 0.96
 \end{aligned}$$

3. The population of a town in the decimal census was given below. Estimate the population for the 1895

Year x	1891	1901	1911	1921	1931
Population of y	46	66	81	93	101

Sol. Putting $L=10, x_0=1891, x=1895$ in the formula $x=x_0+ph$ we obtain $p=2/5=0.4$

X	Y	Δ	Δ^2	Δ^3	Δ^4
1891=x0	46=y0				
		$20\Delta y_0$			
1901	66		- $5\Delta^2 y_0$		
		15		2	
1911	81		-3		-3
		12		-1	
1921	93		-4		
		8			
1931	101				

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(1895) &= 46 + (0.4)(20) + \frac{(0.4)(0.4-1)}{6} - (-5) \\
 &\quad + \frac{(0.4-1)0.4(0.4-2)}{6}(2) \\
 &\quad + \frac{(0.4)(0.4-1)(0.4-2)(0.4-3)}{24} \\
 &= 54.45 \text{ thousands}
 \end{aligned}$$

2.3. Gauss's Interpolation Formula:- We take x_0 as one of the specified of x that lies around the middle of the difference table and denote x_0-rh by $x-r$ and the corresponding value of y by $y-r$. Then the middle part of the forward difference table will appear as shown in the next page

X	Y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$	$\Delta^5 y$
x_{-4}	y_{-4}					
x_{-3}	y_{-3}	Δy_{-4}				
x_{-2}	y_{-2}	Δy_{-3}	$\Delta^2 y_{-4}$			
x_{-1}	y_{-1}	Δy_{-2}	$\Delta^2 y_{-3}$	$\Delta^3 y_{-4}$		
x_0	y_0	Δy_{-1}	$\Delta^2 y_{-2}$	$\Delta^3 y_{-3}$	$\Delta^4 y_{-4}$	
x_1	y_1	Δy_0	$\Delta^2 y_{-1}$	$\Delta^3 y_{-2}$	$\Delta^4 y_{-3}$	$\Delta^5 y_{-4}$
x_2	y_2	Δy_1	$\Delta^2 y_0$	$\Delta^3 y_{-1}$	$\Delta^4 y_{-2}$	$\Delta^5 y_{-3}$
x_3	y_3	Δy_2	$\Delta^2 y_1$	$\Delta^3 y_0$	$\Delta^4 y_{-1}$	$\Delta^5 y_{-2}$
x_4	y_4	Δy_3	$\Delta^2 y_2$	$\Delta^3 y_1$	$\Delta^4 y_0$	$\Delta^5 y_{-1}$

$$\Delta y_0 = \Delta y_{-1} + \Delta^2 y_{-1}$$

$$\Delta^2 y_0 = \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \Delta^3 y_{-1}$$

$$\Delta^3 y_0 = \Delta^3 y_{-1} + \Delta^4 y_{-1}$$

$$\Delta^4 y_0 = \Delta^4 y_{-1} + \Delta^5 y_{-1} \quad \text{-----(1) and}$$

$$\Delta y_{-1} = \Delta y_{-2} + \Delta^2 y_{-2}$$

$$\Delta^2 y_{-1} = \Delta^2 y_{-2} + \Delta^3 y_{-2}$$

$$\Delta^3 y_{-1} = \Delta^3 y_{-2} + \Delta^4 y_{-2}$$

$$\Delta^4 y_{-1} = \Delta^4 y_{-2} + \Delta^5 y_{-2} \quad \text{-----(2)}$$

By using the expressions (1) and (2), we now obtain two versions of the following Newton's forward interpolation formula

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_0) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!}(\Delta^2 y_0) + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!}\Delta^3 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)(p-3)}{4!}\Delta^4 y_0 + \dots] \quad \text{-----3}$$

Here y_p is the value of y at $x = x_p = x_0 + ph$, $P = (x - x_0)/h$

2.3.a. Gauss Forward Interpolation Formula:-

Substituting for $\Delta^2 y_0, \Delta^3 y_0, \dots$ from (1) in the formula (3), we get

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_0) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} (\Delta^2 y_{-1} + \Delta^3 y_{-1}) + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_{-1} \\ + \Delta^4 y_{-1} + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)(p-3)}{4!} \Delta^4 y_{-1} + \Delta^5 y_{-1} + \dots]$$

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_0) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!}(\Delta^2 y_{-1}) + \frac{p(p+1)(p-1)}{3!}\Delta^3 y_{-1} + \frac{p(p+1)(p-1)(p-2)}{4!}(\Delta^4 y_{-1}) + \dots]$$

Substituting $\Delta^4 y_{-1}$ from (2), this becomes

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_0) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_{-1} \\ + \frac{(p+1)(p-1)p(p-2)}{4!} (\Delta^4 y_{-2}) + \dots] \quad \dots \quad 4$$

Note:- we observe from the difference table that

$\Delta y_0 = \delta y_{1/2}$, $\Delta^2 y_{-1} = \delta^2 y_0$, $\Delta^3 y_{-1} = \delta^3 y_{1/2}$, $\Delta^4 y_{-2} = \delta^4 y_0$ and so on. Accordingly the formula

(4) can be written in the notation of central differences as given below

$$y_p = [y_0 + p\delta y_{1/2} + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \delta^2 y_0 + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!} \delta^3 y_{1/2} + \frac{(p+1)(p-1)p(p-2)}{4!} \delta^4 y_0 + \dots] \quad \dots \quad 5$$

2.3.b. Gauss's Backward Interpolation formula:-

Let us substitute for $\Delta y_0, \Delta^2 y_0, \Delta^3 y_0$ ---- from (1) in the formula (3), thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_p &= [y_0 + p(\Delta y_{-1} + \Delta^2 y_{-1}) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!}(\Delta^2 y_{-1} + \Delta^3 y_{-1}) + \frac{(p-1)p(p-2)}{3!}(\Delta^3 y_{-1} + \Delta^4 y_{-1}) + \\
 &\quad \frac{(p-1)(p-2)p(p-3)}{4!}(\Delta^4 y_{-1} + \Delta^5 y_{-1}) + \dots] \\
 &= [y_0 + p(\Delta y_{-1}) + \frac{(p+1)}{2!}p(\Delta^2 y_{-1}) + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!}\Delta^3 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)(p-2)}{4!}(\Delta^4 y_{-1}) + \dots]
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting for $\Delta^3 y_{-1}$ and $\Delta^4 y_{-1}$ from (2) this becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_p &= [y_0 + p(\Delta y_{-1}) + \frac{(p+1)p}{2!}\Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!}(\Delta^3 y_{-1} + \Delta^4 y_{-2}) \\
 &\quad + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)(p-2)}{4!}(\Delta^4 y_{-2} + \Delta^5 y_{-2}) + \dots]
 \end{aligned}$$

2.4. Lagrange's Interpolation Formula:-

Let $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ be the $(n+1)$ values of x which are not necessarily equally spaced. Let $y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$ be the corresponding values of $y = f(x)$ let the polynomial of degree n for the function $y = f(x)$ passing through the $(n+1)$ points $(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), \dots, (x_n, f(x_n))$ be in the following form

$$y = f(x) = a_0(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n) + a_1(x - x_0)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n) + \\
 a_2(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_n) + \dots + a_n(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{n-1}) \rightarrow (1)$$

Where $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ are constants

Since the polynomial passes through $(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1)), \dots, (x_n, f(x_n))$. The constants can be determined by substituting one of the values of x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n for x in the above equation

Putting $x = x_0$ in (1) we get, $f(x_0) = a_0(x - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)(x_0 - x_n)$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{f(x_0)}{(x - x_1)(x_0 - x_2) \dots (x_0 - x_n)}$$

Putting $x = x_1$ in (1) we get, $f(x_1) = a_1(x - x_0)(x_1 - x_2) \dots (x_1 - x_n)$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{f(x_1)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2) \dots (x_1 - x_n)}$$

Similarly substituting $x = x_2$ in (1), we get

$$\Rightarrow a_2 = \frac{f(x_2)}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) \dots (x_2 - x_n)}$$

Continuing in this manner and putting $x = x_n$ in (1) we

get $a_n = \frac{f(x_n)}{(x_n - x_0)(x_n - x_1) \dots (x_n - x_{n-1})}$

Substituting the values of $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$, we get

$$f(x) = \frac{(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2) \dots (x_0 - x_n)} f(x_0) + \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2) \dots (x_1 - x_n)} f(x_1) + \dots + \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1) \dots (x_2 - x_n)} f(x_2) + \dots + \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{n-1})}{(x_n - x_0)(x_n - x_1) \dots (x_n - x_{n-1})} f(x_n)$$

Examples:-

- Using Lagrange's formula calculate $f(3)$ from the following table

x	0	1	2	4	5	6
$f(x)$	1	14	15	5	6	19

Sol. Given $x_0 = 0, x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 4, x_4 = 6, x_5 = 5$

$$f(x_0) = 1, f(x_1) = 14, f(x_2) = 15, f(x_3) = 5, f(x_4) = 6, f(x_5) = 19$$

From Langrange's interpolation formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)(x-x_4)(x-x_5)}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)(x_0-x_3)(x_0-x_4)(x_0-x_5)} f(x_0) \\
 &+ \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)(x-x_4)(x-x_5)}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)(x_1-x_3)(x_1-x_4)(x_1-x_5)} f(x_1) \\
 &+ \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_3)(x-x_4)(x-x_5)}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)(x_2-x_3)(x_2-x_4)(x_2-x_5)} f(x_2) \\
 &\cdots \\
 &\cdots \\
 &\frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)(x-x_4)}{(x_5-x_0)(x_5-x_1)(x_5-x_2)(x_5-x_3)(x_5-x_4)} f(x_5)
 \end{aligned}$$

Here $x = 3$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(3) &= \frac{(3-1)(3-2)(3-4)(3-5)(3-6)}{(0-1)(0-2)(0-4)(0-5)(0-6)} \times 1 + \\
 &\frac{(3-0)(3-2)(3-4)(3-5)(3-6)}{(1-0)(1-2)(1-4)(1-5)(1-6)} \times 14 + \\
 &\frac{(3-0)(3-1)(3-4)(3-5)(3-6)}{(2-0)(2-1)(2-4)(2-5)(2-6)} \times 15 + \\
 &\frac{(3-0)(3-1)(3-2)(3-5)(3-6)}{(4-0)(4-1)(4-2)(4-5)(4-6)} \times 5 + \\
 &\frac{(3-0)(3-1)(3-2)(3-4)(3-6)}{(5-0)(5-1)(5-2)(5-4)(5-6)} \times 6 + \\
 &\frac{(3-0)(3-1)(3-2)(3-4)(3-5)}{(6-0)(6-1)(6-2)(6-4)(6-5)} \times 19 \\
 &= \frac{12}{240} - \frac{18}{60} \times 14 + \frac{36}{48} \times 15 + \frac{36}{48} \times 5 - \frac{18}{60} \times 6 + \frac{12}{40} \times 19 \\
 &= 0.05 - 4.2 + 11.25 + 3.75 - 1.8 + 0.95 \\
 &= 10
 \end{aligned}$$

$f(3)=10$

2. Find $f(3.5)$ using Lagrange method of 2nd and 3rd order degree polynomials.

$x \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4$

$f(x) \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 9 \quad 28$

Sol: By lagrange's interpolation formula

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n f(x_k) \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_{k-1})(x-x_{k+1})\dots(x-x_n)}{(x_k-x_0)(x_k-x_1)\dots(x_k-x_{k-1})(x_k-x_{k+1})\dots(x_k-x_n)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)(x_0-x_3)} f(x_0) + \\ &\quad \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_2)(x-x_3)}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)(x_1-x_3)} f(x_1) + \\ &\quad \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_3)}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)(x_2-x_3)} f(x_2) + \\ &\quad \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)(x-x_2)}{(x_3-x_0)(x_3-x_1)(x_3-x_2)} f(x_3) + \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(3.5) = \frac{(3.5-2)(3.5-3)(3.5-4)}{(1-2)(1-3)(1-4)}(1) + \frac{(3.5-1)(3.5-3)(3.5-4)}{(2-1)(2-3)(2-4)}(2) +$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{(3.5-1)(3.5-2)(3.5-4)}{(3-1)(3-2)(3-4)}(9) + \\ &\frac{(3.5-1)(3.5-2)(3.5-3)}{(4-1)(4-2)(4-3)}(28) + \end{aligned} \quad \text{-----}$$

$$=0.0625+(-0.625)+8.4375+8.75$$

$$=16.625$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \frac{(x-2)(x-3)(x-4)}{-6}(1) + \frac{(x-1)(x-3)(x-4)}{2}(2) \\ &\quad + \frac{(x-1)(x-2)(x-4)}{(-2)}(9) + \frac{(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)}{6}(28) \\ &= \frac{(x^2-5x+6)(x-4)}{-6} + (x^2-4x+3)(x-4) + \frac{(x^2-3x+2)}{-2}(x-4)(9) + \frac{(x^2-3x+2)}{6}(x-3)(28) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{x^3 - 9x^2 + 26x - 24}{-6} + x^3 - 8x^2 + 9x - 12 + \frac{x^3 - 7x^2 + 14x - 8}{-2}(9) + \frac{x^3 - 6x^2 + 11x - 6}{6}(28) \\
 &= \frac{[-x^3 + 9x^2 - 26x + 24 + 6x^3 - 48x^2 + 114x - 72 - 27x^3 + 189x^2 - 378x + 216 + 308x + 28x^3 - 168x^2 - 168]}{6} \\
 &= \frac{6x^3 - 18x^2 + 18x}{6} \Rightarrow f(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x \\
 \therefore f(3.5) &= (3.5)^3 - 3(3.5)^2 + 3(3.5) = 16.625
 \end{aligned}$$

Gauss Formula Example:

- Find $y(25)$, given that $y_{20} = 24, y_{24} = 32, y_{28} = 35, y_{32} = 40$ using Gauss forward difference formula :

Solution: Given

X	20	24	28	32
Y	24	32	35	40

By Gauss Forward difference formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_p &= [y_0 + p(\Delta y_0) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_{-1} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(p+1)(p-1)p(p-2)}{4!} (\Delta^4 y_{-2}) + \dots] \rightarrow (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

We take $x_0 = 24$ as origin.

$$X_0 = 24, h = 4, x = 25, p = (x-x_0)/h, p = (25-24)/4 = 0.25$$

Gauss Forward difference table is

X	Y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$
20=x-1	24=y-1			
24=x0	32=y0	$\Delta y_{-1} = 8$		
28=x1	35=y1	$\Delta y_0 = 3$	$\Delta^2 y_{-1} = -5$	
32=x2	40=y2	$\Delta y_1 = 5$	$\Delta^2 y_0 = 2$	$\Delta^3 y_{-1} = 7$

By gauss forward interpolation Formula

$$\text{We get } y(25) = 32 + 0.25(3) + \frac{(0.25)(0.25-1)}{2}(-5) + \frac{(0.25+1)(0.25)(0.25-1)}{6}(7) = 32 + 0.75$$

$$+ 0.46875 - 0.2734 = 32.945$$

$$Y(25) = 32.945.$$

2. Example:

Use Gauss Backward interpolation formula to find $f(32)$ given that $f(25) = 0.2707$, $f(30) = 0.3027$, $f(35) = 0.3386$, $f(40) = 0.3794$.

Solution: let $x_0 = 35$ and difference table is

X	Y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$
25=x-2	0.2707=y-2			
30=x-1	0.3027=y-1	0.032		
35=x0	0.3386=y0	0.0359	0.0039	
40=x1	0.3794=y1	0.0408	0.0049	0.0010

From the table $y_0 = 0.3386$, $h=5$, $P=(x-x_0)/h=(32-35)/5=-0.6$

$$\Delta y_{-1} = 0.0359, \Delta^2 y_{-1} = 0.0049, \Delta^3 y_{-2} = 0.0010, x_p = 32, p = (x_p - x_0)/h = (32-35)/5 = -0.6$$

By Gauss Backward difference formula

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_{-1}) + \frac{(p+1)p}{2!} \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!} (\Delta^3 y_{-1} + \Delta^4 y_{-2}) \\ + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)(p-2)}{4!} (\Delta^4 y_{-2} + \Delta^5 y_{-2}) + \dots]$$

$$f(32) = 0.3386 + (-0.6)(0.0359) + (-0.6)(-0.6+1)(0.0049)/2 + (-0.6)(-0.6+1)(0.00010)/6 = 0.3165$$

2.5 Stirling's Formula:

Stirling's formula is arithmetic mean of Gauss forward interpolation and Gauss Backward Interpolation formulae

We know that from Gauss forward formula

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_0) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_{-1} \\ + \frac{(p+1)(p-1)p(p-2)}{4!} (\Delta^4 y_{-2}) + \dots] \rightarrow (4)$$

And from Gauss backward formula

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_{-1}) + \frac{(p+1)p}{2!} \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!} (\Delta^3 y_{-1} + \Delta^4 y_{-2}) \\ + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)(p-2)}{4!} (\Delta^4 y_{-2} + \Delta^5 y_{-2}) + \dots] \quad \text{---(5)}$$

From 4,5, we found arithmetic mean the Stirling's formula is defined as

$$P = \frac{x - x_0}{h}, \text{ where } h = x_1 - x_0$$

$$Y(x) = y_0 + P \left[\frac{\Delta Y_{-1} + \Delta Y_0}{2} \right] + \frac{P^2}{2} \Delta^2 Y_{-1} + \frac{[P(P^2-1)]}{3!} \left[\frac{\Delta^3 Y_{-2} + \Delta^3 Y_{-1}}{2} \right] + \frac{P^2(P^2-1)}{4!} \Delta^4 Y_{-2} + \dots$$

2.5 Bessel's Formula:

$Y=f(x)$ is a function with data (x_i, y_i) with $P = \frac{x - x_0}{h}$, where $h = x_1 - x_0$ then Bessel's formula is defined as follows

$$Y(X) = Y_0 + P \Delta Y_0 + \frac{P(P-1)}{2!} \left[\frac{\Delta^2 Y_0 + \Delta^2 Y_{-1}}{2} \right] + \frac{(P-\frac{1}{2})P(P-1)}{3!} \Delta^3 Y_{-1} + \frac{P(P-1)(P+1)(P-2)}{4!} \left[\frac{\Delta^4 Y_{-2} + \Delta^4 Y_{-1}}{2} \right] + \dots$$

Examples:

1. Using Striling's formula, compute $f(1.22)$ from the following data

X	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4
F(x)	0.841	0.891	0.932	0.963	0.985

Sol. Choose $X_0=1.2$ is origin and length $h=0.1$ and $P=\frac{x-x_0}{h}=\frac{1.22-1.2}{0.1}=0.2$

Next we construct central difference table by using above data and evaluate required value by Stirling's formula

X	Y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$
$x_{-2} = 1.0$	$y_{-2} = 0.841$				
$x_{-1} = 1.1$	$y_{-1} = 0.891$	$\Delta y_{-2} = 0.05$			
$x_0 = 1.2$	$y_0 = 0.932$	$\Delta y_{-1} = 0.041$	$\Delta^2 y_{-2} = -0.009$		
$x_1 = 1.3$	$y_1 = 0.963$	$\Delta y_0 = 0.031$	$\Delta^2 y_{-1} = -0.01$	$\Delta^3 y_{-2} = -0.001$	
$x_2 = 1.4$	$y_2 = 0.985$	$\Delta y_1 = 0.022$	$\Delta^2 y_0 = -0.009$	$\Delta^3 y_{-1} = 0.001$	$\Delta^4 y_{-2} = 0.02$

Use Stirling's formula

$$Y(x) = y_0 + P \left[\frac{\Delta Y - 1 + \Delta Y_0}{2} \right] + \frac{P^2}{2} \Delta^2 Y_{-1} + [P(P^2 - 1)]/3! \left[\frac{\Delta^3 Y_{-2} + \Delta^3 Y_{-1}}{2} \right] + \frac{P^2(P^2 - 1)}{4!} \Delta^4 Y_{-2} + \dots$$

$$\text{Then } Y(1.22) = 0.932 + 0.2 \frac{(0.041 + 0.031)}{2} + \frac{0.04}{2!} (-0.01) + \frac{0.2(0.04 - 1)}{4!} (0.002) = 0.93899$$

2. Find $f(16)$ by Stirling's formula from the following table

x	0	5	10	15	20	25	30
F(x)	0	0.0875	0.1763	0.2679	0.364	0.4663	0.5774

Examples:

1. Use Bessel's formula to compute $f(1.95)$ from the following data

X	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3
F(X)	2.979	3.144	3.283	3.391	3.463	3.997	4.491

Sol. Choose the origin at $X_0 = 2.0$, given $h=0.1$ and $P=\frac{x-x_0}{h}=\frac{1.95-2.0}{0.1}=-0.5$

Next by using Bessel's formula and central difference table we can evaluate the required solution

X	Y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$	$\Delta^5 y$
$x_{-3} = 1.7$	$y_{-3} = 2.979$					
$x_{-2} = 1.8$	$y_{-2} = 3.144$	$\Delta y_{-3} = 0.165$				
$x_{-1} = 1.9$	$y_{-1} = 3.283$	$\Delta y_{-2} = 0.139$	$\Delta^2 y_{-3} = -0.026$			
$x_0 = 2.0$	$y_0 = 3.391$	$\Delta y_{-1} = 0.108$	$\Delta^2 y_{-2} = -0.031$	$\Delta^3 y_{-3} = -0.005$		
$x_1 = 2.1$	$y_1 = 3.463$	$\Delta y_0 = 0.072$	$\Delta^2 y_{-1} = -0.036$	$\Delta^3 y_{-2} = -0.005$	$\Delta^4 y_{-3} = 0$	
$x_2 = 2.2$	$y_2 = 3.997$	$\Delta y_1 = 0.53$	$\Delta^2 y_0 = 0.462$	$\Delta^3 y_{-1} = 0.498$	$\Delta^4 y_{-2} = 0.503$	$\Delta^5 y_{-3} = 0.503$
$x_3 = 2.3$	$y_3 = 4.491$	$\Delta y_2 = 0.494$	$\Delta^2 y_1 = -0.04$	$\Delta^3 y_0 = -0.502$	$\Delta^4 y_{-1} = -1$	$\Delta^5 y_{-2} = -1.503$

Bessel's formula $\Delta^6 y_{-3} = -2.006$

$$Y(X) = Y_0 + P \Delta Y_0 + \frac{P(P-1)}{2!} \left[\frac{\Delta^2 Y_0 + \Delta^2 Y_{-1}}{2} \right] + \frac{(P-\frac{1}{2})P(P-1)}{3!} \Delta^3 Y_{-1} + \frac{P(P-1)(P+1)(P-2)}{4!} \left[\frac{\Delta^4 Y_{-2} + \Delta^4 Y_{-1}}{2} \right] + \dots$$

$$Y(1.95) = 3.391 + (-0.5)(0.072) + \frac{(-0.5)(-0.5-1)(-0.036+0.462)}{2.2} + \frac{(-0.5-0.5)(-0.5-1)(-0.5-2)(0.503-1)}{24.2}$$

$$Y(1.95) = 3.3629$$

2. Compute $Y(25)$ by using Bessel's formula to the following table

X	20	24	28	32
Y	2854	3162	3544	3992

9. Practice Quiz

1. Newton's backward Interpolation formula is [a]

a.

$$y_p = [y_0 + p(\Delta y_{-1}) + \frac{(p+1)p}{2!} \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)}{3!} (\Delta^3 y_{-1} + \Delta^4 y_{-2}) + \frac{(p+1)p(p-1)(p-2)}{4!} (\Delta^4 y_{-2} + \Delta^5 y_{-3}) + \dots]$$

b. $y+y_0$

c. y_0

d. None

2. TheInterpolation formula is used to estimate y , if the x -values are unequally spaced. [c]

a. Newton formula

b. Gauss formula

c. Lagrange's formula

d. Bessel's formula

3. Averaging Operator formula [d]

a. Δ

b. ∇

c. U

d. $\mu y_r = \frac{1}{2} [y_{r+1/2} + y_{r-1/2}]$

4. The relation between Δ and E [c]

a. $\Delta = E$

b. $\nabla = E$

c. $\Delta = E - 1$

d. $\Delta = E + 1$

5. Find the missing term in the following data [c]

x	0	1	2	3	4
Y	1	3	9	-	81

a. 10

b. 19

c. 27

d. 0

6. The relation between ∇ and E^{-1}

[a]

a. $\nabla \equiv 1 - E^{-1}$

b. $\delta \equiv E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$

c. $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})$

d. $\mu^2 \equiv 1 + \frac{1}{4}\delta^2$

7. The relation between δ and E

[b]

a. $\nabla \equiv 1 - E^{-1}$

b. $\delta \equiv E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$

c. $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})$

d. $\mu^2 \equiv 1 + \frac{1}{4}\delta^2$

8. The relation between μ and E

[c]

a. $\nabla \equiv 1 - E^{-1}$

b. $\delta \equiv E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$

c. $\mu = \frac{1}{2}(E^{1/2} + E^{-1/2})$