

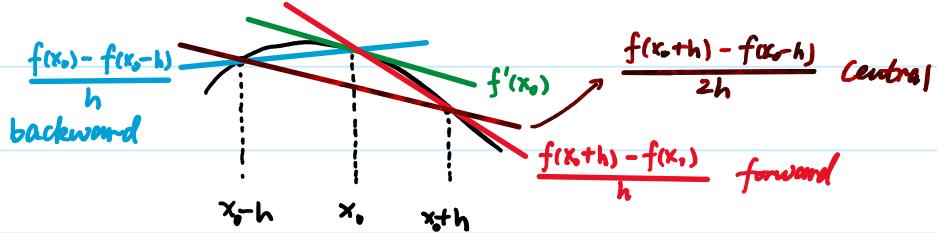
Week 6, Thursday

#2 quiz 20 mins

$$\Delta \text{ Def: } f'(x_0) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h}$$

$$\text{thus for small } h \quad \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} \approx f'(x_0)$$

$h > 0$: forward difference formula; $h < 0$: backward difference formula



By Taylor's expansion: if $f \in C^2(x_0, x_0+h)$

$$\frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} = f'(x_0) + \frac{h}{2} f''(\xi), \quad \xi \in (x_0, x_0+h)$$

Hence, we call $\frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h}$ a first order accurate approximation of $f'(x_0)$.

Q: how to get more accurate approximation.

A: central finite difference

$$\frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0-h)}{2h} = f'(x_0) + \frac{h^2}{6} f^{(3)}(\xi), \quad \xi \in (x_0-h, x_0+h)$$

RK: second-order if $f \in C^3(x_0-h, x_0+h)$.

Q: more general form?

Δ Numerical differentiation: use discrete data to approximate derivatives. i.e. use $\{(x_j, f(x_j))\}_{j=0}^n$ to approximate $f'(x_k)$

find formula $f'(x_k) \approx \sum_{j=0}^n a_{kj} f(x_j) \rightarrow$ finite difference formula

interpolate first:

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) L_j(x) + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi)}{(n+1)!} (x-x_0)(x-x_1)\cdots(x-x_n)$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) L_j(x) + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi(x))}{(n+1)!} (x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_n)$$

then take derivative:

$$f'(x_k) = \boxed{\sum_{j=0}^n L'_j(x_k) f(x_j)} + \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi(x))}{(n+1)!} \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq k}}^n (x_k - x_j)$$

the formula a_{kj}

e.g. two-point formula: $(x_0, f(x_0)), (x_1, f(x_1))$

$$f(x) = f(x_0) \frac{x-x_1}{x_0-x_1} + f(x_1) \frac{x-x_0}{x_1-x_0} + \frac{1}{2} f''(\xi(x)) (x-x_0)(x-x_1)$$

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} + \frac{1}{2} (x_0 - x_1) f''(\xi_0) : \text{forward}$$

$$f'(x_1) = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} + \frac{1}{2} (x_1 - x_0) f''(\xi_1) : \text{backward}$$

Three-point formula:

$$L_0(x) = \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2)}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)} \quad L'_0(x) = \frac{2x-x_1-x_2}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)}$$

$$L_1(x) = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_2)}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)} \quad L'_1(x) = \frac{2x-x_0-x_2}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)}$$

$$L_2(x) = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)} \quad L'_2(x) = \frac{2x-x_0-x_1}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)}$$

$$f'(x_j) = \boxed{f(x_0) \frac{2x_j - x_1 - x_2}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)} + f(x_1) \frac{2x_j - x_0 - x_2}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)} + f(x_2) \frac{2x_j - x_0 - x_1}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)}}$$

$$+ \frac{f'''(\xi(x))}{6} \prod_{\substack{k=0 \\ k \neq j}}^2 (x_j - x_k)$$

equal spacing: $x_0, x_1 = x_0 + h, x_2 = x_0 + 2h,$

$$f'(x) = \frac{-3f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) - f(x_2)}{h^2} + \frac{h^2}{12} f'''(\xi)$$

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{-3f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) - f(x_2)}{2h} + \frac{h^2}{3} f^{(3)}(\xi_0)$$

$$f'(x_1) = \frac{f(x_2) - f(x_0)}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{6} f^{(3)}(\xi_1)$$

$$f'(x_2) = \frac{f(x_0) - 4f(x_1) + 3f(x_2)}{2h} + \frac{1}{3} h^2 f^{(3)}(\xi_2)$$

or :

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{-3f(x_0) + 4f(x_0+h) - f(x_0+2h)}{2h} + \frac{h^2}{3} f^{(3)}(\xi_0), \text{ forward}$$

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0-2h) - 4f(x_0-h) + 3f(x_0)}{2h} + \frac{h^2}{3} f^{(3)}(\xi_2), \text{ backward}$$

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0-h)}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{6} f^{(3)}(\xi_1), \text{ central}$$

In Summary:

Two-point (first-order)

$$D_+ f(x_0) := \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0)}{h} = f'(x_0) + \frac{h}{2} f''(\xi), \quad \xi \in (x_0, x_0+h), \text{ forward}$$

$$D_- f(x_0) := \frac{f(x_0) - f(x_0-h)}{h} = f'(x_0) - \frac{h}{2} f''(\xi), \quad \xi \in (x_0-h, x_0), \text{ backward.}$$

Three-point endpoint formula:

$$f'(x_0) = \boxed{\frac{-3f(x_0) + 4f(x_0+h) - f(x_0+2h)}{2h}} + \frac{h^2}{3} f^{(3)}(\xi_0), \quad \xi_0 \in (x_0, x_0+2h)$$

or (x_0+2h, x_0)

$\therefore D_{+-}(+)\!f(x_0) + (h>0) : \text{forward}, \quad -(h<0) : \text{backward}$

Three-point midpoint formula

$$f'(x_0) = \boxed{\frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0-h)}{2h}} - \frac{1}{6} f^{(3)}(\xi_1), \quad \xi_1 \in (x_0-h, x_0+h).$$

$$:= D_0 f(x_0)$$

△ another way to derive the finite difference formula:

: method of undetermined coefficients

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } D_{-2} f(x) &= af(x_0) + bf(x_0-h) + cf(x_0-2h) \\ &= (a+b+c)f(x_0) - (b+2c)hf'(x_0) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(b+4c)h^2f''(x_0) - \frac{1}{6}(b+8c)h^3f'''(x_0) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{cases} a+b+c=0 \\ -h(b+2c)=1 \\ b+4c=0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a=\frac{3}{2h} \\ b=-\frac{2}{h} \\ c=\frac{1}{2h} \end{cases}$$

$$E(h) = \frac{1}{6}(b+8c)h^3f'''(x_0) + \dots = \boxed{\frac{1}{3}f'''(x_0)h^2} + O(h^3).$$

(leading term)

△ Second order derivative:

standard central finite difference:

$$u''(\bar{x}) \approx D_0^2 u(\bar{x}) = \frac{u(\bar{x}+h) - 2u(\bar{x}) + u(\bar{x}-h)}{h^2}$$

By Taylor expansion:

$$D_0^2 u(\bar{x}) = u''(\bar{x}) + \frac{1}{12}h^2 u^{(4)}(\bar{x}) + O(h^4), \quad \text{second order.}$$

In fact: $D_0^2 = D_+ D_-$

$$\begin{aligned} D_+ D_- u(\bar{x}) &= \frac{1}{h} [D_- u(\bar{x}+h) - D_- u(\bar{x})] \\ &= \frac{1}{h} \left[\frac{u(\bar{x}+h) - u(\bar{x})}{h} - \frac{u(\bar{x}) - u(\bar{x}-h)}{h} \right] \\ &= \frac{u(\bar{x}+h) - 2u(\bar{x}) + u(\bar{x}-h)}{h^2} := D_0^2 u(\bar{x}) \end{aligned}$$

$$D_+ D_+ u(\bar{x}) = \frac{u(\bar{x}+2h) - 2u(\bar{x}+h) + u(\bar{x})}{h^2}, \text{ only first order } \times$$

$$D_- D_- u(\bar{x}) = \frac{u(\bar{x}-2h) - 2u(\bar{x}-h) + u(\bar{x})}{h^2}, \text{ only first order } \times$$

$$D_0 D_0 u(\bar{x}) = \frac{u(\bar{x}+2h) - 2u(\bar{x}) + u(\bar{x}-2h)}{4h^2}, \text{ second order, but not compact } \times$$

Again by interpolation: $\bar{x}, \bar{x}+h_1, \bar{x}+h_1+h_2$

$$P(x) = u(\bar{x}) \frac{(x-(\bar{x}+h_1))(x-(\bar{x}+h_1+h_2))}{h_1(h_1+h_2)} + u(\bar{x}+h_1) \frac{\dots}{-h_1 h_2} + u(\bar{x}+h_1+h_2) \frac{\dots}{h_2(h_1+h_2)}$$

$$P''(x) = \frac{2h_2 u(\bar{x}) - 2(h_1+h_2) u(\bar{x}+h_1) + 2h_1 u(\bar{x}+h_1+h_2)}{h_1 h_2 (h_1+h_2)} = \text{constant!}$$

$$\frac{2h_2 u(\bar{x}) - 2(h_1+h_2) u(\bar{x}+h_1) + 2h_1 u(\bar{x}+h_1+h_2)}{h_1 h_2 (h_1+h_2)} - u''(\bar{x}+h_1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}(h_2-h_1) u^{(3)}(x_2) + \frac{1}{12} \frac{h_1^3 + h_2^3}{h_1+h_2} u^{(4)}(x_2) + \dots$$

Hence, for $h_1 \neq h_2$, only first order

but if $h_1 = h_2$, it becomes second-order, and the formula:

$$D_0^2 u(\bar{x}) = \frac{u(\bar{x}-h) - 2u(\bar{x}) + u(\bar{x}+h)}{h^2}, \quad E(h) = \frac{1}{12} h^2 u^{(4)}(\xi), \quad \xi \in (\bar{x}-h, \bar{x}+h)$$

Δ Round-off error instability: e.g. midpoint formula:

$$f(x_0+h) = \tilde{f}(x_0+h) + e^+, \quad f(x_0-h) = \tilde{f}(x_0-h) + e^-, \quad \tilde{f} = f(f)$$

$$\left| f'(x_0) - \frac{\tilde{f}(x_0+h) - \tilde{f}(x_0-h)}{2h} \right| \leq \left| f'(x_0) - \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0-h)}{2h} \right| + \left| \frac{(f(x_0+h) - \tilde{f}(x_0+h)) - (f(x_0-h) - \tilde{f}(x_0-h))}{2h} \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{h^2}{6} M + \frac{\varepsilon}{h} \quad (\varepsilon: \text{bound of round-off error})$$

RK: if we take very small h such as $h \approx \sqrt[3]{\frac{32}{M}}$ then total error is $O(1)$.

Δ one application of finite difference formula:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u''(x) = f(x), \quad x \in (0, 1) \\ u(0) = u(1) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{ccccccccc} u_0 & u_1 & u_2 & \dots & u_N & u_{N+1} \\ \hline x_0=0 & x_1 & x_2 & & x_N & x_{N+1}=1 \end{array}$$

① set $x_j = jh$, $h = \frac{1}{N+1}$, $u_j \approx u(x_j)$, $f_j = f(x_j)$

$$u_0 = u_{N+1} = 0, \text{ unknown} \quad U = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_N]^T$$

② at x_j , approximate the original differential equation by FD.

$$\frac{u_{j-1} - 2u_j + u_{j+1}}{h^2} = f_j, \quad j=1, 2, \dots, N.$$

③ matrix-vector form: $AU = F$, where

$$A = \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & & & & \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & 1 & -2 & 1 & \\ & & & 1 & -2 & \end{bmatrix}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_N \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_N \end{bmatrix}$$

④ solve the linear system $AU = F$. (chap. 6, 7).

RK: A is the differentiation matrix which maps the value of a function to its derivative:

$$A: \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N \quad [u(x_j)] \rightarrow [\approx u''(x_j)]$$

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