

- Gaussian Elimination Method

1. Reduction to upper-triangular form

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + a_{n3}x_3 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} a'_{11}x_1 + a'_{12}x_2 + \dots + a'_{1n}x_n = b'_1 \\ a'_{22}x_2 + \dots + a'_{2n}x_n = b'_2 \rightarrow \dots \\ \vdots \\ a'_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a'_{nn}x_n = b'_n \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} c_{11}x_1 + c_{12}x_2 + \dots + c_{1n}x_n = d_1 \\ c_{22}x_2 + \dots + c_{2n}x_n = d_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{nn}x_n = d_n \end{cases}$$

2. Backward substitution

The Gaussian elimination method fails if any one of the pivot elements becomes zero. In such a situation, we rewrite the equations in a different order to avoid zero pivots. Changing the order of equations is called **pivoting**.

- Gauss-Jordan Elimination Method

Partial pivoting is also used whenever the pivot element becomes zero.

Example

$$\begin{cases} 10x + y + z = 12 \\ 2x + 10y + z = 13 \\ x + y + 5z = 7 \end{cases}$$

$$(A|B) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 10 & 1 & 1 & 12 \\ 2 & 10 & 1 & 13 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 & 7 \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -8 & -44 & -51 \\ 2 & 10 & 1 & 13 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 & 7 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -8 & -44 & -51 \\ 0 & 26 & 89 & 115 \\ 0 & 9 & 49 & 58 \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -8 & -44 & -51 \\ 0 & 26 & 89 & 115 \\ 0 & 9 & 49 & 58 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -8 & -44 & -51 \\ 0 & 1 & 58 & 59 \\ 0 & 9 & 49 & 58 \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 420 & 421 \\ 0 & 1 & 58 & 59 \\ 0 & 0 & -473 & -473 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \therefore x = y = z = 1$$

- Crout's Reduction Method

$$[A][X] = [C]$$

1. Decompose $[A]$ into $[L]$ and $[U]$.
2. Solve $[L][Z] = [C]$ for $[Z]$.
3. Solve $[U][X] = [Z]$ for $[X]$.

In this method, the coefficient matrix $[A]$ of the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + a_{n3}x_3 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n \end{cases}$$

is decomposed into the product of two matrices $[U]$ and $[L]$.

$$[A] = [L][U] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ l_{21} & 1 & 0 \\ l_{31} & l_{32} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} & u_{13} \\ 0 & u_{22} & u_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{33} \end{pmatrix}$$

Where, $[U]$ is an *upper-triangular matrix* and $[L]$ is a *lower-triangular matrix* with 1's on its main diagonal.

$$[U] = \begin{pmatrix} c_{11}x_1 & c_{12}x_2 & c_{13}x_3 \\ 0 & c_{22}x_2 & c_{23}x_3 \\ 0 & 0 & c_{33}x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$[U]$ is the same as the coefficient matrix at the end of forward elimination step.

$$[L] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21}/a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ a_{31}/a_{11} & a'_{23}/a'_{22} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$[L]$ is obtained using the multipliers that were used in the forward elimination process.

- Jacobi's Method

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + a_{n3}x_3 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n \end{cases}$$

$$x_i^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_i}{a_{ii}} - \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \frac{a_{ij}}{a_{ii}} x_j^{(r)}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_1}{a_{11}} - \frac{a_{12}}{a_{11}} x_2^{(r)} - \dots - \frac{a_{1n}}{a_{11}} x_n^{(r)} \\ x_2^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_2}{a_{22}} - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{22}} x_1^{(r)} - \dots - \frac{a_{2n}}{a_{22}} x_n^{(r)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_n}{a_{nn}} - \frac{a_{n1}}{a_{nn}} x_1^{(r)} - \dots - \frac{a_{n(n-1)}}{a_{nn}} x_{n-1}^{(r)} \end{cases}$$

Example

Find the solution to the following system of equations using Jacobi's iterative method. Taking the initial starting of solution vector as $(0,0,0)^T$

$$\begin{cases} 83x + 11y - 4z = 95 \\ 7x + 52y + 13z = 104 \\ 3x + 8y + 29z = 71 \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x^{(1)} = \frac{95}{83} - \frac{11}{83}y^{(0)} + \frac{4}{83}z^{(0)} \\ y^{(1)} = \frac{104}{52} - \frac{7}{52}x^{(0)} - \frac{13}{52}z^{(0)} \\ z^{(1)} = \frac{71}{29} - \frac{3}{29}x^{(0)} - \frac{8}{29}y^{(0)} \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x^{(1)} = \frac{95}{83} - \frac{11}{83} \cdot 0 + \frac{4}{83} \cdot 0 \\ y^{(1)} = \frac{104}{52} - \frac{7}{52} \cdot 0 - \frac{13}{52} \cdot 0 \\ z^{(1)} = \frac{71}{29} - \frac{3}{29} \cdot 0 - \frac{8}{29} \cdot 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} x^{(1)} = 1.1446 \\ y^{(1)} = 2.0000 \\ z^{(1)} = 2.4483 \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x^{(2)} = \frac{95}{83} - \frac{11}{83}y^{(1)} + \frac{4}{83}z^{(1)} \\ y^{(2)} = \frac{104}{52} - \frac{7}{52}x^{(1)} - \frac{13}{52}z^{(1)} \\ z^{(2)} = \frac{71}{29} - \frac{3}{29}x^{(1)} - \frac{8}{29}y^{(1)} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} x^{(2)} = 0.9976 \\ y^{(2)} = 1.2339 \rightarrow \dots \\ z^{(2)} = 1.7424 \end{cases}$$

- Gauss-Seidel Iteration Method

$$\begin{cases} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1 \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + a_{n3}x_3 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n \end{cases}$$

$$x_i^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_i}{a_{ii}} - \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \frac{a_{ij}}{a_{ii}} x_j^{(r+1)} - \sum_{j=i+1}^n \frac{a_{ij}}{a_{ii}} x_j^{(r)}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_1}{a_{11}} - \frac{a_{12}}{a_{11}} x_2^{(r)} - \dots - \frac{a_{1n}}{a_{11}} x_n^{(r)} \\ x_2^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_2}{a_{22}} - \frac{a_{21}}{a_{22}} x_1^{(r+1)} - \dots - \frac{a_{2n}}{a_{22}} x_n^{(r)} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{(r+1)} = \frac{b_n}{a_{nn}} - \frac{a_{n1}}{a_{nn}} x_1^{(r+1)} - \dots - \frac{a_{n(n-1)}}{a_{nn}} x_{n-1}^{(r+1)} \end{cases}$$

Example

Find the solution of the following system of equations using Gauss-Seidel method. Taking the initial starting of solution vector as $(0,0,0)^T$

$$\begin{cases} 4x_1 - x_2 - x_3 = 2 \\ -x_1 + 4x_2 - x_4 = 2 \\ -x_1 + 4x_3 - x_4 = 1 \\ -x_2 - x_3 + 4x_4 = 1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1^{(1)} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_2^{(0)} + \frac{1}{4}x_3^{(0)} \\ x_2^{(1)} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_1^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4}x_4^{(0)} \\ x_3^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_1^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4}x_4^{(0)} \\ x_4^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_2^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4}x_3^{(1)} \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1^{(1)} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \\ x_2^{(1)} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_1^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \\ x_3^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_1^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \\ x_4^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_2^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4}x_3^{(1)} \end{cases}$$

$$\xrightarrow{x_1^{(1)}=0.5} \begin{cases} x_1^{(1)} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \\ x_2^{(1)} = \frac{2}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0.5 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \\ x_3^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0.2 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0 \\ x_4^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}x_2^{(1)} + \frac{1}{4}x_3^{(1)} \end{cases}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\begin{matrix} x_2^{(1)}=0.625 \\ x_3^{(1)}=0.375 \end{matrix}} \begin{cases} x_1^{(1)} = 0.5 \\ x_2^{(1)} = 0.625 \\ x_3^{(1)} = 0.375 \\ x_4^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0.625 + \frac{1}{4} \cdot 0.375 \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} x_1^{(1)} = 0.5 \\ x_2^{(1)} = 0.625 \\ x_3^{(1)} = 0.375 \\ x_4^{(1)} = 0.5 \end{cases} \rightarrow \dots$$

- Matrix Inversion

The matrix A^{-1} is called the inverse of A . A matrix without an inverse is called **singular** (or **noninvertible**).

For any nonsingular $n \times n$ matrix A ,

- A^{-1} is unique.
- A^{-1} is nonsingular and $(A^{-1})^{-1} = A$
- If B is also a nonsingular $n \times n$ matrix, then $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

- Gaussian Elimination Method

$$(A_{n \times n} | I_{n \times n}) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} a'_{11} & a'_{12} & a'_{13} & b_{11} & b_{12} & b_{13} \\ 0 & a'_{22} & a'_{23} & b_{21} & b_{22} & b_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & a'_{33} & b_{31} & b_{32} & b_{33} \end{array} \right) = (A^U | B) \\ A^U A^{-1} = B$$

- Gauss-Jordan Method

$$(A_{n \times n} | I_{n \times n}) \rightarrow (I_{n \times n} | A_{n \times n}^{-1})$$

- Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

Let A be an $n \times n$ square matrix. Suppose, there exists a scalar λ and a vector

$$x = (x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_n)^T$$

Such that

$$Ax = \lambda x$$

Then λ is the **eigenvalue** and x is the corresponding **eigenvector** of the matrix $[A]$.

- If $[A]$ is a $n \times n$ triangular matrix -upper, lower or diagonal, the eigenvalues of $[A]$ are the diagonal of $[A]$.
- $\lambda = 0$ is an eigenvalue of $[A]$ if $[A]$ is a singular (noninvertible) matrix.
- $[A]$ and $[A]^T$ have the same eigenvalues.
- $|\det(A)|$ is the product of the absolute values of the eigenvalues of $[A]$.

- Power Method

It is used to find the largest eigenvalue in an absolute sense.

1. Choose the initial vector such that the largest element is unity (or 1).
2. The normalized vector $v^{(0)}$ is pre-multiplied by matrix $[A]$.
3. The resultant vector is again normalized.
4. This process of iteration is continued, and the new normalized vector is repeatedly pre-multiplied by the matrix $[A]$ until the required accuracy is obtained.

Example

Find the eigenvalue of largest modulus, and the associated eigenvector of the matrix. Choose an initial vector $v^{(0)}$ as $(1 \ 1 \ 1)^T$

$$[A] = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u^{(1)} = [A]v^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 12 \\ 14 \end{pmatrix} \\ = 14 \begin{pmatrix} 7/14 \\ 12/14 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_1 v^{(1)}$$

$$u^{(2)} = [A]v^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 7/14 \\ 12/14 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 39/7 \\ 67/7 \\ 171/14 \end{pmatrix} \\ = 12.2143 \begin{pmatrix} 0.456140 \\ 0.783626 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_2 v^{(2)}$$

$$u^{(3)} = [A]v^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0.456140 \\ 0.783626 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \begin{pmatrix} 5.263158 \\ 9.175438 \\ 11.935672 \end{pmatrix} = 11.935672 \begin{pmatrix} 0.44096 \\ 0.776874 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_3 v^{(3)}$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 11.84, x = \begin{pmatrix} 0.44 \\ 0.78 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The Absolute Relative Approximate Error

$$|\varepsilon_a| = \left| \frac{x_i^{\text{new}} - x_i^{\text{old}}}{x_i^{\text{new}}} \right| \times 100$$

- Forward Differences

For a given table of values

$$(x_k, y_k), k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

with equally spaced abscissas of a function $y = f(x)$ we define the forward difference operator Δ as follows

$$\Delta y_i = y_{i+1} - y_i, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

To be explicit, we write

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y_0 &= y_1 - y_0 \\ \Delta y_1 &= y_2 - y_1 \\ &\vdots \\ \Delta y_{n-1} &= y_n - y_{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

These differences are called *first differences* of the function y and are denoted by the symbol Δy_i .

Similarly, the differences of the *first differences* are called *second differences*, defined by

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta^2 y_0 &= \Delta y_1 - \Delta y_0 \\ \Delta^2 y_1 &= \Delta y_2 - \Delta y_1 \\ &\vdots \\ \Delta^2 y_{n-1} &= \Delta y_n - \Delta y_{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

Thus, in general

$$y_n = (1 + \Delta)^n y_0 = \sum_{i=0}^n C(n, i) \Delta^i y_0$$

- Backward Differences

For a given table of values

$$(x_k, y_k), k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

of a function $y = f(x)$ with equally spaced abscissas, the first backward differences are usually expressed in terms of the backward difference operator ∇ as

$$\nabla y_i = y_i - y_{i-1}, i = n, n-1, \dots, 1$$

To be explicit, we write

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla y_1 &= y_1 - y_0 \\ \nabla y_2 &= y_2 - y_1 \\ &\vdots \\ \nabla y_n &= y_n - y_{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

In general

$$y_{n-r} = \sum_{i=0}^r (-1)^i C(r, i) \nabla^i y_n$$

- Central Differences

We use the symbol δ to represent central difference operator and the subscript of δy for any difference as the average of the subscripts.

$$\delta y_i = y_{i+1/2} - y_{i-1/2}$$

- Shift Operator, E

Let $y = f(x)$ be a function of x , and let x takes the consecutive values $x, x+h, x+2h$, etc.

We then define an operator having the property

$$E^n f(x) = f(x + nh), \text{ or } E^n y_x = y_{x+nh}$$

Thus, when E operates on $f(x)$, the result is the next value of the function.

- Average Operator, μ

$$\begin{aligned}\mu f(x) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(f\left(x + \frac{h}{2}\right) + f\left(x - \frac{h}{2}\right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (y_{x+h/2} + y_{x-h/2})\end{aligned}$$

- Differential Operator, D

$$\begin{aligned}Df(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} f(x) = f'(x) \\ D^2 f(x) &= \frac{d^2}{dx^2} f(x) = f''(x)\end{aligned}$$

- **Few Results Using Δ , ∇ , δ , E , μ and D**

From the definition of operator Δ and E , we have

$$\Delta y_x = y_{x+h} - y_x = E y_x - y_x = (E - 1) y_x$$

$$\therefore \Delta = E - 1$$

From the definition of operator ∇ and E^{-1} , we have

$$\nabla y_x = y_x - y_{x-h} = y_x - E^{-1} y_x = (1 - E^{-1}) y_x$$

$$\therefore \nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$$

From the definition of operator δ and E , we have

$$\delta y_x = y_{x+h/2} - y_{x-h/2} = E^{1/2} y_x - E^{-1/2} y_x$$

$$= (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) y_x$$

$$\therefore \delta = E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}$$

From the definition of operators μ and E , we have

$$\mu y_x = \frac{1}{2} (y_{x+h/2} - y_{x-h/2}) = \frac{1}{2} (E^{1/2} y_x + E^{-1/2} y_x)$$

$$= (E^{1/2} - E^{-1/2}) y_x$$

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

Using Taylor series expansion, we have

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

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

$$= \left(1 + \frac{hD}{1!} + \frac{h^2 D^2}{2!} + \dots \right) f(x) = e^{hD} y_x$$

$$\therefore hD = \log E$$

Example: Prove that

$$hD = \log(1 + \Delta) = -\log(1 - \nabla) = \sinh^{-1}(\mu\delta)$$

$$hD = \log E = \log(1 + \Delta)$$

$$hD = \log E = -\log E^{-1} = -\log(1 - \nabla)$$

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} (e^{hD} - e^{-hD}) = \sinh(hD) \therefore \sinh^{-1}(\mu\delta)$$

- **Newton's Forward Difference Interpolation**

$$f(x_0 + ph) = E^p f(x_0) = (1 + \Delta)^p f(x_0)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^p C(n, i) \Delta^i f(x_0) \text{ where } p = \frac{x - x_0}{h}$$

$$= f(x_0) + p \Delta f(x_0) + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 f(x_0)$$

$$+ \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 f(x_0) + \dots$$

$$+ \frac{p(p-1) \dots (p-n+1)}{n!} \Delta^n f(x_0) + \text{Error}$$

This formula is also known as Newton-Gregory forward difference interpolation formula.

- **Newton's Backward Difference Interpolation**

$$f(x_n + ph) = E^p f(x_0) = (E^{-1})^{-p} f(x_n)$$

$$= (1 - \nabla)^{-p} f(x_n) = \sum_{i=0}^p C(n, i) \nabla^i f(x_n)$$

$$= f(x_n) + p \nabla f(x_n) + \frac{p(p+1)}{2!} \nabla^2 f(x_n)$$

$$+ \frac{p(p+1)(p+2)}{3!} \nabla^3 f(x_n) + \dots$$

$$+ \frac{p(p+1) \dots (p+n-1)}{n!} \nabla^n f(x_n) + \text{Error}$$

- **Lagrange's Interpolation Formula**

$$y = f(x)$$

$$= \frac{(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2) \dots (x_0 - x_n)} y_0$$

$$+ \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2) \dots (x_1 - x_n)} y_1 + \dots$$

$$+ \frac{(x - x_0)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_{i-1})(x - x_{i+1}) \dots (x - x_n)}{(x_i - x_0)(x_i - x_2) \dots (x_i - x_{i-1})(x_i - x_{i+1}) \dots (x_i - x_n)} y_i$$

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

- **Divided Differences**

$$y[x_0] = y_0$$

$$y[x_0, x_1] = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0}$$

$$y[x_0, x_1, x_2] = \frac{y[x_1, x_2] - y[x_0, x_1]}{x_2 - x_0}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x_2 - x_0} \left(\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} - \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} \right)$$

$$= \frac{y_0}{(x_0 - x_1)(x_0 - x_2)} + \frac{y_1}{(x_1 - x_0)(x_1 - x_2)}$$

$$+ \frac{y_2}{(x_2 - x_0)(x_2 - x_1)}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$y[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n] = \frac{y[x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n] - y[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}]}{x_n - x_0}$$

$$= \frac{y_0}{(x_0 - x_1) \dots (x_0 - x_k)} + \frac{y_1}{(x_1 - x_0) \dots (x_1 - x_k)}$$

$$+ \dots + \frac{y_k}{(x_k - x_0) \dots (x_k - x_{k-1})} = \sum_{i=0}^k \frac{y_i}{\prod_{i \neq k}^k (x_i - x_j)}$$

- **Newton's Divided Difference Interpolation**

$$\begin{aligned}y &= f(x) \\&= y_0 + (x - x_0)y[x_0, x_1] \\&\quad + (x - x_0)(x - x_1)y[x_0, x_1, x_2] + \cdots \\&\quad + (x - x_0)(x - x_1) \cdots (x - x_{n-1})y[x_0, x_1, \cdots x_n]\end{aligned}$$

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