

## **CENTRAL DIFFERENCE:**

### **Formula:**

$$Y(x) = y_0 + \frac{(\Delta y_0 + \Delta y_{-1})p}{2} + \frac{p^2}{2!} \Delta^2 y_{-1} + \frac{p(p^2 - 1)}{3!} (\Delta^3 + \Delta^3 y_{-2}) + \frac{p^2(p^2 - 1^2)}{4!} \Delta^4 y_{-2}$$

### **Example:**

Use central interpolation to find the value of y when x=35 from the following table

x	20	30	40	50
y	512	439	346	243

Let  $x_0 = 40$

x	y	$\Delta y$	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$
$x_{-2} = 20$	$y_{-2} = 512$			
		$\Delta y_{-2} = -73$		
$x_{-1} = 30$	$y_{-1} = 439$		$\Delta^2 y_2 = -20$	
		$\Delta y_{-1} = -93$		$\Delta^3 y_2 = 10$
$x_0 = 40$	$y_0 = 346$		$\Delta^2 y_1 = -10$	
		$\Delta y_0 = -103$		
$x_1 = 50$	$y_1 = 243$			

Given

$X = 35, x_0 = 40, h = 10$

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

$$= \frac{35 - 40}{10}$$

$$= 0.5$$

Putting values in formula

$$y(35) = 346 + (0.5) \left( \frac{-103 - 93}{2} \right) + \frac{(-0.5)^2}{2!} (-10)$$

$$y(35) = 346 + 49 - 1.525$$

$$y(35) = 393.75$$

