

Numerical Integration.

Given the set of data points $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ of function $y = f(x)$ whose $f(x)$ is not known explicitly.

- It is required to compute the value of the definite integral.

$$I = \int_a^b y \, dx$$

→ In this case of numerical differentiation one replaces $f(x)$ by interpolating polynomial $\phi(x)$ and obtains

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Integration an approximate value of the definite integral.

- Here we define different integration formulae that can be obtained depending upon type of interpolation formula used.

- Let the interval $[a, b]$ be divided into n equal subintervals such that

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < x_3 \dots < x_n = b.$$

Clearly $x_n = x_0 + nh$

hence the integral becomes.

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_n} y \, dx$$

* Trapezoidal Rule:-

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hence the Trapezoidal rule is given by

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} y \, dx = \frac{h}{2} [y_0 + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1}) + y_n]$$

where h is interval.

Q: And, the from the following table, the area bounded by the curve and the x -axis from $x = 7.47$ and to $x = 7.52$

x	7.47	7.48	7.49	7.50	7.51	7.52
$f(x)$	1.93	1.95	1.98	2.01	2.03	2.06
	y_0	y_1	y_2	y_3	y_4	y_5

we know that

$$\text{Area} = I = \int_{7.47}^{7.52} f(x) \, dx.$$

with $h = 0.01$, the trapezoidal rule

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{0.01}{2} [1.93 + 2(1.95 + 1.98 + 2.01 + 2.03) + 2.06] \\ &= 0.0996. \end{aligned}$$