

Numerical Integration.

(Given the set of data points $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ of function $y = f(x)$)

where $f(x)$ is not known explicitly.

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

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

~~$$ab \approx \text{constant}$$~~

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

Integration an approximate value of the definite integral.

Here we defining different integration formula that can 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 $x_n = x_0 + nh$ or $x_n = a + nh$
hence the integral becomes.

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

* Trapezoidal Rule :-

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

$$\text{Clearly } x_n = x_0 + nh.$$

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: Find the form 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

We know that

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

with $h = 0.01$, the trapezoidal rule.

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