

3 Numerical Differentiation & Integration

Derivative or differentiation of a function is the process of finding the rate of change of a variable with respect to another variable. For example the velocity of a moving body is defined as the rate of change of location of the body w.r.t. time. Location/displacement depends on time, so time is independent variable and location is dependent variable.

Numerical differentiation is a process of getting an approximate derivative of a function in a situation where it might be difficult or impossible to find the derivative using the analytical method. For example, if we have a set of observation values (data points) instead of a function, we can find the derivative at a point by using the numerical methods.

Following are two major applications of numerical differentiation.

- (i) A continuous function is to be differentiated but is difficult using analytical method.
- (ii) A discrete (tabulated) function is to be differentiated where the function is unknown.

Differentiating Continuous Functions

Numerical method of differentiation can be used to find the derivative of a continuous function where the function itself is known. We can use the following numerical methods for this:

- (a) Two-point forward difference method.
- (b) Two-point backward difference method.
- (c) Three-point formula

2. Two-point Forward Difference Method:

From Taylor's theorem, we have

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

$$\text{or, } f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - \frac{h \cdot f''(x)}{2!} - \dots$$

$$\text{or, } \therefore f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} - E$$

If h is considered to be very small,

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}, \quad E = -\frac{h \cdot f''(x)}{2!}$$

(Truncation error).

This equation is known as two point forward difference formula of numerical differentiation. It is also known as forward difference quotient.

Q. Find the value of derivative of a function $f(x) = x^2$ at $x=1$ by using $h = 0.2$ & 0.05 .

→ Taking $h = 0.2$,

We have the two-point forward difference formula

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}$$

$$\text{or, } f'(1) = \frac{f(1+0.2) - f(1)}{0.2}$$

$$\text{or, } f'(1) = \frac{(1.2)^2 - (1)^2}{0.2}$$

$$\therefore f'(1) = 2.2$$

True value $f'(1) = f'(x)|_{x=1}$
= $2x|_{x=1}$
= 2

$$\text{Error} = \left| \frac{2 - 2.2}{2} \right| \times 100\% = 10\%$$

Taking $h = 0.05$,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(1) &= \frac{f(1 + 0.05) - f(1)}{0.05} \\ &= \frac{f(1.05) - f(1)}{0.05} \\ &= \frac{1.1025 - 1}{0.05} \\ &= 2.05 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Error} &= \left| \frac{2 - 2.05}{2} \right| \times 100\% \\ &= 2.5\% \end{aligned}$$

Q. Find the value of derivative at $x=45^\circ$ for the function $f(x) = \sin x + 1$ by using $h=0.1$ & 0.001 .

$$\rightarrow \text{Angle in radian } (x) = \frac{45 \times \pi}{180} = 0.785$$

Taking $h = 0.1$,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \\ \text{or, } f'(0.785) &= \frac{f(0.785 + 0.1) - f(0.785)}{0.1} \\ &= \frac{f(0.885) - f(0.785)}{0.1} \\ &= \frac{(0.774 + 1) - (0.709 + 1)}{0.1} \\ &= \frac{0.067}{0.1} \\ &= 0.67 \end{aligned}$$

True value = ~~$\sin f'(x)$~~

$$= \cos(x)$$

$$= \cos(0.785)$$

$$= 0.707$$

$$\therefore \text{Error} = \left| \frac{0.707 - 0.67}{0.707} \right| \times 100\% = 5.23\%$$

Similarly, Taking $h = 0.001$, we can solve it.

b. Two-Point Backward Difference formula:

Backward difference two point formula is,

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h}, E = \frac{h f''(x)}{2!} \text{ (Truncation error)}$$

This is also called as backward difference quotient.

Q. Find the derivative of $f(x) = \sin x + 1$ at $x=45^\circ$ using backward difference two point formula.

Take $h = 0.1$ and 0.001 .

$$\rightarrow \text{Angle in radian } (x) = 45 \times \frac{\pi}{180} = 0.785$$

Taking $h = 0.1$,

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(x-h)}{h}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or, } f'(0.785) &= \frac{f(0.785) - f(0.785 - 0.1)}{0.1} \\ &= \frac{0.707 - 0.633}{0.1} \\ &= 0.74 \end{aligned}$$

True value $f'(x) = \cos x$

$$f'(0.785) = 0.707$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Error} &= \left| \frac{0.707 - 0.74}{0.707} \right| \times 100\% \\ &= 4.67\% \end{aligned}$$

Similarly solve for $h = 0.001$.

c. Three-point formula :-

The three-point formula for numerical differentiation is given by,

$$\boxed{f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}} \quad , E = \frac{2h^2}{3!} f'''(x) \text{ (Truncation Error)}$$

Q. Find the value of $f'(x)$ at $x=1$ for $f(x) = x^2$ using three point formula. Take $h=0.2$ & 0.05 .

Q. Find $f'(3)$ if $f(x) = 2 e^{1.5x}$ using forward difference formula. Also find relative approximate error.

Ans: $f'(3) = \cancel{270.05} \ 291.3$

Error = 7.8% .

Differentiating Tabulated Functions Using Newton's Differences :-

1. By Using Forward Interpolation formula

Let the tabulated data points be $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$, where the independent variable x has equally spaced values x_i with equal space h .

The forward difference formula for interpolation polynomial is,

$$f(x) = y_0 + p \Delta y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots \quad (i)$$

where,

$$p = \frac{x - x_0}{h} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta y_0 \text{ is } n^{\text{th}} \text{ forward difference.}$$

Differentiating equation (i) w.r.t. p ,

$$f'(x) = \frac{\partial y}{\partial p} \cdot \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial p} \right)$$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta y_0 + \frac{2p-1}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{3p^2-6p+2}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots \right]$$

Again differentiating w.r.t. x ,

$$f''(x) = \frac{\partial f'(x)}{\partial p} \cdot \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

$$\therefore f''(x) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 y_0 + (p-1) \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots \right]$$

Note that at $x = x_0$ (initial point), $p = 0$.

Formulae to remember,

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\frac{\Delta y_0 + 2p-1}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{3p^2-6p+2}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots + \frac{4p^3-18p^2+22p-6}{4!} \Delta^4 y_0 + \dots \right] \quad -(i)$$

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

If $x=x_0$ (Initial point) then $p=0$

$$\therefore f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta y_0 - \frac{1}{2} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{1}{3} \Delta^3 y_0 - \frac{1}{4} \Delta^4 y_0 + \dots \right] \quad -(ii)$$

Similarly for second order derivative,

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 y_0 + (p-1) \Delta^3 y_0 + \frac{6p^2-18p+11}{12} \Delta^4 y_0 + \dots \right] \quad -(iii)$$

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At $x=x_0$, $p=0$.

$$f''(x_0) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 y_0 - \Delta^3 y_0 + \frac{11}{12} \Delta^4 y_0 - \frac{5}{6} \Delta^5 y_0 + \dots \right]$$

Note:-

Let the tabulated function be,

x	x_0	x_1	x_2	\dots	x_n
$f(x)$	y_0	y_1	y_2	\dots	y_n

(Better remember)
formula (i) & (iii)

If we have to find the derivatives (1st or 2nd) at any point other than x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n , we use formula (i) and (iii) above.

If we have to find derivatives at $x=x_0$, we can directly use formula (ii) and (iv).

To find derivatives at $x=x_i$ ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$), we can rearrange formula for $\Delta y_1, \Delta^2 y_1, \dots, \Delta^n y_1$.

Q. Find first and second derivatives for the given tabulated functions at $x = 1.1$.

x	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0
$f(x)$	0	0.128	0.544	1.296	2.432	4.000

→ Since 1.1 lies in the first half of the table, we can use Newton's forward difference method to find $f'(1.1)$ & $f''(1.1)$.

The forward difference table is,

x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$	$\Delta^5 y$
1.0	0	0.128	0.288	0.048	0	0
1.2	0.128	0.416	0.336	0.048	0	0
1.4	0.544	0.752	0.384	0.048	0	0
1.6	1.296	1.136	0.432	0.048	0	0
1.8	2.432	1.568				
2.0	4.000					

The first derivative of Newton's forward interpolation polynomial is,

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{h} \left\{ \Delta y_0 + \frac{2p-1}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{3p^2 - 6p + 2}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots \right\} \quad (1)$$

Where, $h = 0.2$

$$p = \frac{x - x_0}{h} = \frac{(1.1 - 1.0)}{0.2} = 0.5$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} f'(1.1) &= \frac{1}{0.2} \left\{ 0.128 + \frac{2 \times 0.5 - 1}{2} \times 0.288 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{3 \times 0.5 \times 0.5 - 6 \times 0.5 + 2}{6} \times 0.048 \right\} \\ &= 0.63 \end{aligned}$$

Again for second derivative,

$$f''(x) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left\{ \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{(p-1)}{12} \Delta^3 y_0 + \frac{6p^2 - 18p + 11}{12} \Delta^4 y_0 + \dots \right\} \quad (\text{ii})$$

Thus

$$f''(1.1) = \frac{1}{0.2^2} \left\{ 0.288 + (0.5-1) 0.048 + \frac{6 \times 0.25 - 18 \times 0.5 + 11}{12} \times 0 \right\}$$

$$= 6.6$$

Q. Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ and $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $x=1$ from the following tabulated function.

x	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$f(x)$	0.000	0.693	1.099	1.368	1.609	1.796	1.976

$$\text{Ans: } \frac{dy}{dx} = f'(1) = 0.8779$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = f''(1) = -0.186$$

Q. Find the first and second derivatives at $x=1.1$.

x	1	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6
y	7.989	8.403	8.781	9.129	9.451	9.750	10.031

$$\text{Ans: } f'(1.1) = 3.952$$

$$f''(1.1) = -3.740$$

Q. Find $f'(1)$ from the given tabulated function.

x	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3
$f(x)$	0.041	0.891	0.932	0.763

$$\text{Ans: } f'(1) = 0.542$$

Maxima & Minima of Tabulated Functions:

The Newton's forward interpolation formula is given:

$$f(x) = y_0 + p \Delta y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots$$

Differentiating w.r.t. p , we get,

$$\frac{dy}{dp} = \Delta y_0 + \frac{2p-1}{2} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{3p^2 - 6p + 2}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots$$

for maxima or minima, $\frac{dy}{dp} = 0$.

$$\frac{dy}{dp} = 0$$

$$\text{or, } \Delta y_0 + \frac{2p-1}{2} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{3p^2 - 6p + 2}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 = 0$$

Solving the above expression for p by the help of the difference table, we get the value of p and hence the value of x for which y is maximum or min.

Q. Find the minimum value of y from the following tabulated function.

x	0.60	0.65	0.70	0.75
$f(x)$	0.6221	0.6155	0.6138	0.6170

→ Constructing the forward difference table,

x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$
0.60	0.6221	-0.0066		
0.65	0.6155	0.0049		
0.70	0.6138	-0.0017	0.0049	0
0.75	0.6170	+0.0032		

Newton's forward difference formula is

$$f(x) = y_0 + \frac{P\Delta y_0}{1!} + \frac{P(P-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{P(P-1)(P-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots \quad (i)$$

where $P = (x - x_0)/h$

$\Delta^n y_0$ = n^{th} forward difference.

Differentiating, eqn (i) wrt P,

$$f'(x) = \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial P}$$

$$= 0 + \Delta y_0 + \frac{2P-1}{2} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{3P^2-6P+2}{6} \Delta^3 y_0$$

$$= 0 + (-0.0066) + \frac{(2P-1)(0.0049)}{2} + 0$$

$$= -0.0066 + \frac{(2P-1) \times 0.0049}{2}$$

for maxima or minima, $f'(x) = 0$

$$\therefore \frac{(2P-1)(0.0049)}{2} = 0.0066$$

$$\therefore P = 1.8469$$

Since $P = (x - x_0)/h$

$$x = x_0 + Ph$$

$$= 0.60 + 1.8469(0.05)$$

$$= 0.6923$$

$\therefore y$ is minimum at $x = 0.6923$. The minimum value of y can be obtained by putting the obtained values of P and $\Delta y_0, \Delta^2 y_0, \dots$ in eqn (i).

$$f(0.6923) = 0.6221 + 1.8469 \times (-0.0066)$$

$$+ \frac{1.8469 \times 0.8469 \times 0.0049}{2} + 0$$

$$= 0.6137$$

Q. Find the maximum & minimum value of y from the following data.

x	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4
y	2	-0.25	0	-0.25	2	15.75	56

→ Constructing the forward difference table,

x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$	$\Delta^5 y$
-2	2	-2.25	2.5	-3	6	0
-1	-0.25	0.25	-0.5	3	6	0
0	0	-0.25	2.5	9	6	0
1	-0.25	2.25	11.5	15	6	
2	2	13.75	26.5			
3	15.75	40.25				
4	56					

Newton's forward interpolation formula is,

$$y = y_0 + p \Delta y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)(p-3)}{4!} \Delta^4 y_0 + \dots \quad (i)$$

$$\text{where } p = (x - x_0)/h$$

Differentiating eqn (i) w.r.t. x , we get,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{h} \left[\frac{\Delta y_0}{2!} + \frac{2p-1}{3!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{3p^2-6p+2}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \frac{4p^3-18p^2+22p-6}{4!} \Delta^4 y_0 \right]$$

let $x_0 = 0, y_0 = 0$ then

$$\Delta y_0 = -0.25$$

$$\Delta^2 y_0 = 2.5$$

$$\Delta^3 y_0 = 9$$

$$\Delta^4 y_0 = 6$$

$$h = 1$$

$$p = (x_0 - x_0)/h = (x - 0)/1 = x$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} &= 1 \left[-0.25 + \frac{2x-1}{2} \times 2.5 + \frac{3x^2-6x+2}{6} \times 9 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{4x^3-18x^2+22x-6}{24} \times 6 \right] \\ &= -0.25 + 2.5x - 1.25 + 4.5x^2 - 9x + 3 \\ &\quad + x^3 - 4.5x^2 + 5.5x - 1.5 \\ &= x^3 - x\end{aligned}$$

for y to be maximum or minimum

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\text{or}, x^3 - x = 0$$

$$\text{or}, x(x^2 - 1) = 0$$

$$\therefore x = 0, -1, +1$$

Again,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 3x^2 - 1$$

$$\text{For } x = 0, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -1 \text{ (negative)}$$

$$\text{For } x = -1, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 \text{ (Positive)}$$

$$\text{For } x = 1, \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2 \text{ (Positive)}$$

$\therefore y$ is maximum at ~~$x=0$~~ $x=0$ and
 y is minimum at $x = -1 \& +1$.

Q. From the given data points, determine the value of x at which y is minimum. Also find the minimum value of y .

x	3	4	5	6	7	8
y	0.205	0.240	0.259	0.262	0.250	0.224

Ans: y is minimum at $x = 5.6875$ & minimum value of y is 0.2628

Numerical Integration :-

The process of evaluating a definite integral from a set of tabulated values of the integrand function is called numerical integration or quadrature. Typically, quadrature is the process of evaluating the area bounded by a curve.

Newton-Cotes Quadrature Formula :-

Let $I = \int_a^b f(x) dx$ be the integral to be evaluated

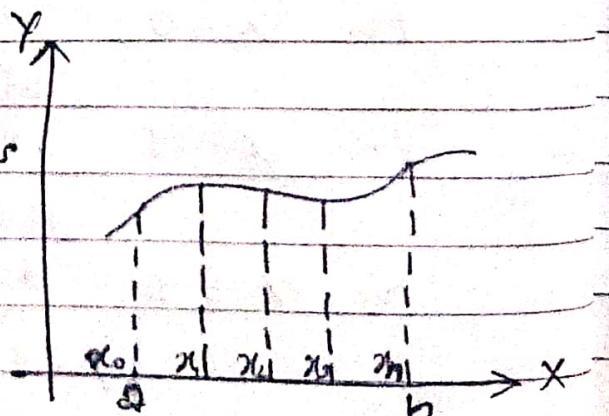
where $y = f(x)$ is the integrand function for the given set of tabulated data points.

Let us break the interval $a-b$ into n different sub-intervals of size h .

Then,

$$h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

$$\& x_0 = a, x_1 = a+h, x_2 = a+2h, \dots, x_n = a+nh = b$$



from Newton's forward interpolation, we have

$$y = y_0 + p \Delta y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots$$

where, $p = \frac{x - x_0}{h}$ (i)

$$\text{or, } x = x_0 + ph$$

Now,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_n} f(x) dx \\ = h \int_0^n f(x_0 + ph) dp$$

$$\text{or, } \int_a^b f(x) dx = h \int_0^n [y_0 + p \Delta y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2!} \Delta^2 y_0 + \frac{p(p-1)(p-2)}{3!} \Delta^3 y_0 + \dots] dp \\ = h \left[p y_0 + \frac{p^2}{2} \Delta y_0 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{p^3}{3} - \frac{p^2}{2} \right) \Delta^2 y_0 + \dots \right]_0^n \\ - h \left[n y_0 + \frac{n^2}{2} \Delta y_0 + \left(\frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} \right) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + \left(\frac{n^4}{4} - n^3 + n^2 \right) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} + \dots \right]$$

which is the required expression for the Newton-Cotes quadrature formula. This can be used to determine the integral value of a tabulated function having n intervals (ie. $n+1$ points).

Formula:

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_0+nh} f(x) dx = h \left[n y_0 + \frac{n^2}{2} \Delta y_0 + \left(\frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} \right) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + \left(\frac{n^4}{4} - n^3 + n^2 \right) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} + \left(\frac{n^5}{5} - \frac{3n^4}{2} + \frac{11n^3 - 3n^2}{3} \right) \frac{\Delta^4 y_0}{4!} + \dots \right]$$

Trapezoidal Rule:-

By Newton-Cotes Quadrature formula, we have

$$x_0 + nh$$

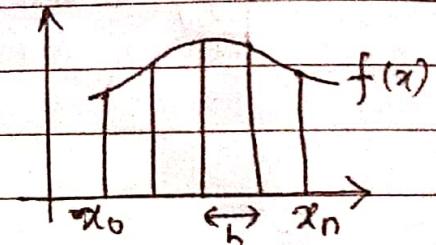
$$\int_{x_0}^{x_0 + nh} f(x) dx = h \left[ny_0 + \frac{n^2}{2} \Delta y_0 + \left(\frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} \right) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + \left(\frac{n^4}{4} - n^3 + n^2 \right) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} + \dots \right] \quad (i)$$

When $n=1$, the function is approximated with a polynomial of degree 1 (straight line). The integral is evaluated in the range x_0 to x_1 . All the higher order forward differences except Δy_0 become zero.

So, eqn (i) gives

$$x_0 + h$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_0 + h} f(x) dx = h \left[y_0 + \frac{\Delta y_0}{2} \right]$$



$$= h \left[y_0 + \frac{y_1 - y_0}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{h}{2} [y_0 + y_1]$$

$$\therefore$$

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} (y_0 + y_1) \quad (ii)$$

This is also called as one segment Trapezoidal rule.

Similarly the integral for second segment/interval is given by

$$x_2$$

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} (y_1 + y_2) \quad (iii)$$

for last interval, trapezoidal rule becomes

$$\int_{x_{n-1}}^{x_n} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} (y_{n-1} + y_n) \quad (\text{iv})$$

Adding all the integrals, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x_0}^{x_n} f(x) dx &= \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x) dx + \dots + \int_{x_{n-1}}^{x_n} f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{h}{2} (y_0 + y_1) + \frac{h}{2} (y_1 + y_2) + \dots + \frac{h}{2} (y_{n-1} + y_n) \\ \therefore \int_{x_0}^{x_n} f(x) dx &= \frac{h}{2} [(y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1})] \end{aligned}$$

This is called as multiple segment trapezoidal rule. It can be used to find the integral of a tabulated function. It is also called as the composite trapezoidal rule.

Q. Evaluate $I = \int_a^b e^{-x^2} dx$ using Trapezoidal rule with $n=5$ up to 4 decimal places.

→ Here, $n=5$, $a=0$, $b=1$, $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$

$$h = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{1-0}{5} = 0.2$$

Tabulating the function in the interval $0,1$ with $h=0.2$,

x	0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0
y	1	0.9607	0.8521	0.6977	0.5273	0.3679

From Trapezoidal rule,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} [(y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1})]$$

for $n=5$, $a=0$, $b=1$ & $h=0.2$

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx = \frac{0.2}{2} [(y_0 + y_5) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4)]$$

$$= 0.1 [1 + 0.3679 + 2(0.9607 + 0.8521 \\ + 0.6977 + 0.5273)]$$

$$= 0.7444$$

Q. Evaluate $\int_1^2 e^{-\frac{1}{2}x} dx$ using Trapezoidal rule

for four intervals.

Q. Use 3-segment Trapezoidal rule to find the integral $\int_{0.1}^{1.3} 5x e^{-2x} dx$.

Simpson's one-third Rule :-

Simpson's one third rule is used to find the approximate value of a definite integral by using numerical methods. It is applicable to evaluate the value of an integral in case the usual analytical method is not applicable.

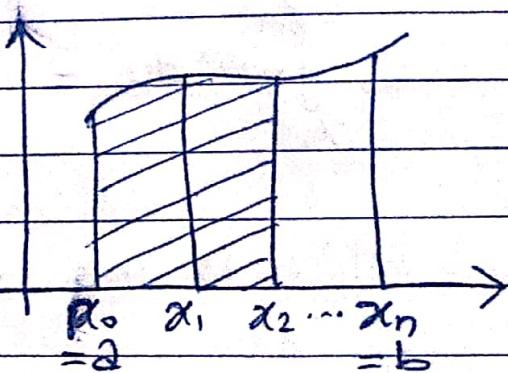
By Newton-Cotes quadrature formula, we have,

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_0+n h} f(x) dx = h \left[n y_0 + \frac{n^2}{2} \Delta y_0 + \left(\frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} \right) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + \left(\frac{n^4}{4} - n^3 + n^2 \right) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} + \dots \right] \quad (i)$$

When $n=2$, the function is approximated with a polynomial of degree 2. The integral is evaluated in the range x_0 to x_2 . All the higher order forward differences except Δy_0 , $\Delta^2 y_0$ are zero.

x	y	$\Delta^2 y_0$	$\Delta^2 y$
x_0	y_0	$> y_1 - y_0$	$> y_2 - 2y_1 + y_0$
x_1	y_1		
x_2	y_2		

For $n=2$, eqn (i) gives



$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{x_0}^{x_0+2h} f(x) dx &= h \left[2y_0 + 2\Delta y_0 + \frac{1}{3} \Delta^2 y_0 \right] \\
 &= h \left[2y_0 + 2(y_1 - y_0) + \frac{1}{3} (y_2 - 2y_1 + y_0) \right] \\
 &= h \left[2y_0 + 2y_1 - 2y_0 + \frac{1}{3} (y_2 - 2y_1 + y_0) \right] \\
 &= h \left[2y_1 + \frac{1}{3} y_2 - \frac{2}{3} y_1 + \frac{1}{3} y_0 \right] \\
 &= h \left[\frac{4}{3} y_1 + \frac{1}{3} y_2 + \frac{1}{3} y_0 \right] \\
 &= \frac{h}{3} [y_0 + 4y_1 + y_2]
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\int_{x_2}^{x_4} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [y_2 + 4y_3 + y_4]$$

$$\int_{x_{n-2}}^{x_n} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [y_{n-2} + 4y_{n-1} + y_n]$$

Adding all the integrals, we get

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} f(x) dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx + \int_{x_2}^{x_4} f(x) dx + \dots + \int_{x_{n-2}}^{x_n} f(x) dx$$

$$\therefore \int_{x_0}^{x_n} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [(y_0 + y_n) + 4(y_1 + y_3 + y_5 + \dots + y_{n-1}) + 2(y_2 + y_4 + y_6 + \dots + y_{n-2})]$$

Which is the expression for Simpson's 1/3 rule.

Q. Evaluate $\int_0^6 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$ using Trapezoidal rule.

→ Let us divide the interval $(0, 6)$ into 6 equal parts.

The width of each sub-interval $h = 1$.

(Note that in trapezoidal rule, no. of sub-intervals shouldn't be even). It can be any).

Constructing the table,

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
y	1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0588	0.0385	0.0270

Here,

$$x_0 = 0, y_0 = 1, n = 6, h = 1$$
$$= a \quad = b$$

From Trapezoidal rule, we have

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} [(y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1})]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[(1 + 0.0270) + 2(0.5 + 0.2 + 0.1 + 0.0588 + 0.0385) \right]$$

$$= 1.5323$$

Q. Evaluate $\int_0^6 \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx$ using Simpson's 1/3 rule.

→ In Simpson's rule, the given range must be divided into sub-intervals that are multiple of 2 (even).

Let $n = 6, h = 1$.

constructing the table,

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
y	1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0588	0.0385	0.0270

From Simpson's 1/3 rule, we have

$$\int_0^6 f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [(y_0 + y_6) + 2(y_2 + y_4) + 4(y_1 + y_3 + y_5)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left[(1 + 0.0270) + 2(0.2 + 0.0588) + 4(0.5 + 0.1 + 0.0385) \right]$$

$$= 1.3662$$

TQ. Q. Using Simpson's one-third rule, evaluate

(a) $\int_0^2 (e^{x^2} - 1) dx$ with $n = 8$.

(b) $\int_{0.2}^{1.2} (x^2 + \ln x - \sin x) dx$ with $h = 0.1$

Q. Evaluate $\int_{-x/2}^1 e^{-x/2} dx$ using Trapezoidal rule.

(take four segments).

Ans: 0.4725

Q. Using 3-segment Trapezoidal rule, evaluate integral

$$\int_{-1}^1 5x e^{-2x} dx$$

Ans: 0.84385

Simpson's 3/8 Rule :-

From Newton-Cotes quadrature formula, we have

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = h \left[ny_0 + \frac{n^2}{2} \Delta y_0 + \left(\frac{n^3}{3} - \frac{n^2}{2} \right) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + \left(\frac{n^4}{4} - n^3 + n^2 \right) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} + \dots \right]$$

For $n=3$, we take 3 subintervals. L (i)

x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$
x_0	y_0	$y_1 - y_0$	$y_2 - 2y_1 + y_0$	$y_3 - 3y_2 + 3y_1 - y_0$
x_1	y_1	$y_2 - y_1$	$y_3 - 2y_2 + y_1$	
x_2	y_2	$y_3 - y_2$		
x_3	y_3			

From eqn (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x_0}^{x_3} f(x) dx &= h \left[3y_0 + \frac{9}{2} \Delta y_0 + \left(\frac{27}{3} - \frac{9}{2} \right) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + \left(\frac{81}{4} - 27 + 9 \right) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} \right] \\ &= h \left[3y_0 + \frac{9}{2} (y_1 - y_0) + \left(9 - \frac{9}{2} \right) \frac{(y_2 - 2y_1 + y_0)}{2!} + \left(\frac{81}{4} - 18 \right) \frac{(y_3 - 3y_2 + 3y_1 - y_0)}{3!} \right] \\ &= \frac{3h}{8} [y_0 + 3y_1 + 3y_2 + y_3] \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\int_{x_3}^{x_6} f(x) dx = \frac{3h}{8} [y_3 + 3y_4 + 3y_5 + y_6]$$

$$\int_{x_{n-3}}^{x_n} f(x) dx = \frac{3h}{8} [y_{n-3} + 3y_{n-2} + 3y_{n-1} + y_n]$$

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Adding all the integrals, we get

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_n} f(x) dx = \frac{3h}{8} [(y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_2 + y_4 + \dots + y_{n-2}) + 3(y_1 + y_3 + y_5 + \dots + y_{n-1})]$$

This is known as Simpson's 3/8 rule for numerical integration. It is also called multi-segment Simpson's 3/8 rule. This method can be used if n is multiple of 3.

Q. Using Simpson's 3/8 rule, evaluate $\int_0^6 \frac{1}{(1+x^2)} dx$.

→ For Simpson's 3/8 rule, given interval must be divided into sub-intervals that are is multiple of 3.

Let n = 6. The tabulated function is,

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
y	1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.0588	0.0385	0.0270

By Simpson's 3/8 rule, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^6 f(x) dx &= \frac{3h}{8} [(y_0 + y_6) + 2(y_2) + 3(y_1 + y_3 + y_4 + y_5)] \\ &= \frac{3}{8} [(1 + 0.0270) + 2 \times 0.1 + 3 (0.5 + 0.2 + 0.0588 + 0.0385)] \\ &= 0.1036 \cdot 1.3571 \end{aligned}$$

Gaussian Integration

An n -point Gaussian quadrature rule is a numerical integration method constructed to determine the integral of polynomials of degree $2n-1$ or less. It is a method to determine integral of the polynomial in the range of $[-1, 1]$ in the form of weighted sum as:

$$I = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} w_i f(x_i)$$

where w_i are called weights and x_i are called abscissas.

Gaussian rule for three points gives value of the integral for a polynomial of degree $2 \times 3 - 1 = 5$ or less. Similarly Gaussian rule for two points gives value of the integral for a polynomial of degree $2 \times 2 - 1 = 3$ or less.

Two-point Gaussian formula is:

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = f(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}) + f(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}) \quad \text{ie. } x_1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, x_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ w_1 = w_2 = 1.$$

Three-point Gaussian formula is:

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = \frac{8}{9} f(0) + \frac{5}{9} [f(-\sqrt{3}/5) + f(\sqrt{3}/5)]$$

$$\text{ie. } x_1 = 0, x_2 = -\sqrt{3}/5, x_3 = \sqrt{3}/5$$

$$\text{ie. } w_1 = \frac{8}{9}, w_2 = \frac{5}{9}, w_3 = \frac{5}{9}$$

(Above formulae also called Gauss-Legendre formula).

If the limits of the integration are a to b , it is possible to use a linear transformation to bring the limits to the standard $[1, 1]$ using

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(b-a)u + \frac{1}{2}(b+a)$$

Q. Evaluate $\int_{0.2}^{1.5} e^{-x^2} dx$ using 3-point Gaussian integration

→ Let us change the limits $a = 0.2$ to $b = 1.5$ into -1 to 1 using linear transformation formula,

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(b-a)u + \frac{1}{2}(b+a)$$

$$= 0.65u + 0.85$$

Here

$$I = \int_{0.2}^{1.5} e^{-x^2} dx$$

$$= 0.65 \int_{-1}^1 e^{-(0.65u+0.85)^2} du$$

$$= 0.65 \int_{-1}^1 f(u) du \quad \text{where } f(u) = e^{-(0.65u+0.85)^2}$$

Using Gaussian 3-pointe formula

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(u) du = \frac{8}{9}f(0) + \frac{5}{9}\left[f\left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right) + f\left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right)\right]$$

$$\therefore I = 0.65 \left[\frac{8}{9}f(0) + \frac{5}{9}\left[f\left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right) + f\left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right)\right] \right]$$

$$= 0.65865$$

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Evaluate $I = \int_{0.2}^{1.5} e^{-x^2} dx$ using Gaussian 3-point rule.

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Evaluate $I = \int_1^2 (\ln x + x^2 \sin x) dx$ using Gaussian integration 3-point formula.

Romberg Integration Algorithm

- Assume h (if not given)
- Find $I(h)$, $I(h/2)$, $I(h/4)$ using Trapezoidal rule.
- $I(h) = \frac{h}{2} [(y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1})]$
- Evaluate $I(h, h/2) = \frac{4}{3} I(h/2) - \frac{1}{3} I(h)$
- Similarly $I(h/2, h/4)$, $I(h/4, h/8)$, ...
- Tabulate the triangular array as:

$I(h)$

$I(h, h/2)$

$I(h/2)$

$I(h, h/2, h/4)$

$I(h/4)$

\approx

Q. Evaluate $\int_0^8 x^2 dx$ using Romberg method.

→ From trapezoidal rule, we have

$$I(h) = \int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} [(y_0 + y_n) + 2(y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_{n-1})]$$

Here, $a=0$, $b=8$.

Let $h=4$. Then $\Rightarrow 2 - \frac{4}{2} = \frac{8}{2}$

$$I(h) = \frac{4}{2} [(0^2 + 8^2) + 2 \cdot 4^2]$$

$$= 192$$

Again assuming $h = b/2 = 4/2 = 2$, we get
the interval as

$$x_0 \quad x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4$$

0 — 2 — 4 — 6 — 8

then,

$$\begin{aligned} I(h/2) &= \frac{2}{2} [(x_0 + x_4) + 2(x_1 + x_2 + x_3)] \\ &= [(0^2 + 8^2) + 2(2^2 + 4^2 + 6^2)] \\ &= 176 \end{aligned}$$

Again assuming $h = b/4 = 4/4 = 1$,

$$x_0 \quad x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad x_4 \quad x_5 \quad x_6 \quad x_7 \quad x_8$$

0 — 1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6 — 7 — 8

$$\begin{aligned} I(h/4) &= \frac{1}{2} [(0^2 + 8^2) + (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2 + 6^2 + 7^2)] \\ &= 172 \end{aligned}$$

Again assuming $h = b/8 = 4/8 = 0.5$

$$x_0 \quad x_1 \quad x_2 \quad x_3 \quad \dots \quad x_{15}$$

0 — 0.5 — 1 — 1.5 — 2 — 2.5 — 3 — 3.5 — 4 — 4.5 — ... — 8

$$\begin{aligned} I(h/8) &= \frac{0.5}{2} [(0^2 + 8^2) + (0.5^2 + 1^2 + 1.5^2 + 2^2 + \dots + 7.5^2)] \\ &= 171 \end{aligned}$$

Now constructing the triangular array:

$I(h)$

$I(h, h/2)$

$I(h, h/2, h/4)$

$I(h/2)$

$I(h/2, h/4)$

$I(h/4)$

$I(h/4, h/8)$

~~$I(h/8)$~~

[Better to go upto $h/4$ only].

where

$$I(h, h/2) = \frac{4}{3} I(h/2) - \frac{1}{3} I(h)$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \times 176 - \frac{1}{3} \times 192$$

$$= 170.67$$

$$I(h/2, h/4) = \frac{4}{3} I(h/4) - \frac{1}{3} I(h/2)$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \times 172 - \frac{1}{3} \times 176$$

$$= 170.67$$

$$I(h, h/2, h/4) = \frac{4}{3} I(h/2, h/4) - \frac{1}{3} I(h, h/2)$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \times 170.67 - \frac{1}{3} \times 176.67$$

$$= 168.67$$

Ans

Romberg Integration Method :

Step-1: Find I_1 using Trapezoidal rule. (take h)

Step-2: Find I_2 using Trapezoidal rule (take $h/2$)

Step-3: Find I_3 taking $h/4$ as interval size.

Step-4: Find I_4 taking $h/8$.

Step-5: Find $I_1' = I_2 + \frac{1}{3}(I_2 - I_1)$

$I_2' = I_3 + \frac{1}{3}(I_3 - I_2)$