

Mathematics

GE - 4

Semester - IV

Numerical Methods

Relation between the operators :

① $\Delta = E - 1$

② $\nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$

③ $E = e^{hD}$

④ $D = \frac{1}{h} \log(1 + \Delta)$, where $D \equiv \frac{d}{dx}$

Proof : ① $\Delta y(x) = y(x+h) - y(x)$
 $= Ey(x) - y(x) = (E-1)y(x)$

$\Rightarrow \Delta = E - 1$ proved

② $\nabla y(x) = y(x) - y(x-h)$

$= y(x) - E^{-1}y(x)$

$= (1 - E^{-1})y(x)$

$\Rightarrow \nabla = 1 - E^{-1}$ proved

③ $E f(x) = f(x+h)$

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

(Using Taylor's Th^y.)

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

$= (1 + hD + \frac{h^2 D^2}{2!} + \frac{h^3 D^3}{3!} + \dots) f(x)$

$= e^{hD} f(x)$

$\Rightarrow E = e^{hD}$ proved

[$\because e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$]

(4) From (1),

$$E = 1 + \Delta$$

From (2),

$$E = e^{hD}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{hD} = 1 + \Delta$$

Taking log on both sides,

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

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{D = \frac{1}{h} \log(1 + \Delta)}$$
 result

It may also be written as,

$$D = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta - \frac{1}{2} \Delta^2 + \frac{1}{3} \Delta^3 - \dots \right].$$

Numerical Differentiation

Numerical differentiation is the process of calculating the derivative of a function at some particular value of the independent variable by means of a set of given values of that function.

Consider the function $y = f(x)$, which is tabulated as —

x	$f(x)$
x_0	y_0
x_0+h	y_1
x_0+2h	y_2
\vdots	\vdots
x_0+nh	y_n

① Derivatives using forward difference formula

We know that

$$1 + \Delta = e^{hD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(e^{hD}) = \log(1 + \Delta) = \Delta - \frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 + \frac{1}{3}\Delta^3 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta^4 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow hD = \Delta - \frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 + \frac{1}{3}\Delta^3 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta^4 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{1}{h} \left(\Delta - \frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 + \frac{1}{3}\Delta^3 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta^4 + \dots \right) \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow D f(x) = \frac{1}{h} \left(\Delta f(x) - \frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 f(x) + \frac{1}{3}\Delta^3 f(x) - \frac{1}{4}\Delta^4 f(x) + \dots \right)$$

At $x = x_0$,

$$D f(x_0) = \frac{1}{h} \left(\Delta f(x_0) - \frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 f(x_0) + \frac{1}{3}\Delta^3 f(x_0) - \frac{1}{4}\Delta^4 f(x_0) + \dots \right)$$

i.e.,

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta f(x_0) - \frac{1}{2} \Delta^2 f(x_0) + \frac{1}{3} \Delta^3 f(x_0) - \frac{1}{4} \Delta^4 f(x_0) + \dots \right] \quad \text{C.T.M.}$$

→ This is the formula to be used to evaluate first order derivative at a point in the beginning of the given data range.

Now, squaring both sides of eqn. (1),

$$\begin{aligned} (hD)^2 &= \left(\Delta - \frac{1}{2} \Delta^2 + \frac{1}{3} \Delta^3 - \frac{1}{4} \Delta^4 + \dots \right)^2 \\ &= \Delta^2 - \Delta^3 + \frac{11}{12} \Delta^4 - \frac{5}{6} \Delta^5 \\ &\quad + \frac{137}{180} \Delta^6 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow D^2 = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 - \Delta^3 + \frac{11}{12} \Delta^4 - \frac{5}{6} \Delta^5 + \frac{137}{180} \Delta^6 + \dots \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow D^2 f(x) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 f(x) - \Delta^3 f(x) + \frac{11}{12} \Delta^4 f(x) - \frac{5}{6} \Delta^5 f(x) + \frac{137}{180} \Delta^6 f(x) + \dots \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow f''(x) = \downarrow$$

At $x = x_0$,

$$f''(x_0) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 f(x_0) - \Delta^3 f(x_0) + \frac{11}{12} \Delta^4 f(x_0) - \frac{5}{6} \Delta^5 f(x_0) + \frac{137}{180} \Delta^6 f(x_0) + \dots \right] \quad \text{C.F.M.}$$

which is the formula to be used to evaluate second order derivative at a point in the beginning of the given data range.

On the same lines, we can find the formula for derivative of third order at a point in the beginning of the tabulated values, which is given as —

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

(Prove it yourself). Exercise.

Note : Above three formulas can also be obtained using Newton's forward difference formula. For this, first write down the Newton's forward formula. Then differentiate it w.r.t. h to obtain $\frac{dy}{dh}$.

Then use chain rule to obtain $\frac{dy}{dx}$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dh} \times \frac{dh}{dx}$$

where $x = x_0 + ih$, $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

So, $\frac{dh}{dx} = \frac{1}{h}$.

Finally put $x = x_0$ and $h = 0$.
Try yourself.

For second order derivative,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \frac{dx}{dx}$$

Finally Put $x = x_0$ and $h = 0$.

Try yourself.

Note :- Newton's forward difference formula is applied when values of x are equidistant (equispaced) and the value of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ is required at a point starting of table.

Derivatives using backward difference formula :

We have

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow e^{hD} = (1 - \nabla)^{-1}$$

Taking log on both sides,

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

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

$$\Rightarrow hD = \nabla + \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + \frac{1}{3} \nabla^3 + \frac{1}{4} \nabla^4 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{1}{h} \left[\nabla + \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 + \frac{1}{3} \nabla^3 + \frac{1}{4} \nabla^4 + \dots \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta f(x) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\nabla f(x) + \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 f(x) + \frac{1}{3} \nabla^3 f(x) + \frac{1}{4} \nabla^4 f(x) + \dots \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\nabla f(x) + \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 f(x) + \frac{1}{3} \nabla^3 f(x) + \frac{1}{4} \nabla^4 f(x) + \dots \right]$$

At $x = x_n$,

$$f'(x_n) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\nabla f(x_n) + \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 f(x_n) + \frac{1}{3} \nabla^3 f(x_n) + \frac{1}{4} \nabla^4 f(x_n) + \dots \right]$$

This is the formula ^{C.T.M.} to be used to evaluate first order derivative at a point in the end of the given data points or tabulated values.

Now following the same procedure as in the case of forward difference formula, we get

$$f''(x_n) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\nabla^2 f(x_n) + \nabla^3 f(x_n) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{11}{12} \nabla^4 f(x_n) + \frac{5}{6} \nabla^5 f(x_n)$$

$$+ \frac{137}{180} \nabla^6 f(x_n) + \dots \left]$$

C.T.M.

which is the formula to be used
to evaluate second order derivative
at a point in the left end of the given tabulated
values.

On the same lines, we can find the
formula for derivative of third order
at a point in the end of the tabulated
values, which is given as —

$$f'''(x_n) = \left(\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} \right)_{x=x_n} = \frac{1}{h^3} \left[\nabla^3 f(x_n) \right.$$

C.T.M. $\left. + \frac{3}{2} \nabla^4 f(x_n) + \dots \right]$

Prove it yourself.

Exercise

Note : Above three formulas can also
be obtained using Newton's backward
difference formula. For this, first
write down the Newton's backward
formula (interpolation). Then differentiate
it w.r.t. h to obtain dy/dh.

Then use chain rule to obtain dy/dx
as : —

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dh} \times \frac{dh}{dx}$$

Since, $x = x_n + i'h$, $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\therefore \frac{dh}{dx} = \frac{1}{i}$$

Then Put $x = x_n$ and $h = 0$.

Try yourself. Exercise.

For second order derivative,

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = \frac{d}{dh} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) \frac{dh}{dx}$$

Finally Put $x = x_n$ and $h = 0$.

Try yourself. Exercise.

Note: Newton's backward difference formula is applied when values of x are equispaced and the value of dy/dx is required at a point near the end of the table.

→ Now, if we require to evaluate dy/dx at a point in the middle of the table and the values of x are equispaced, then we use the formula for derivatives using Stirling's Central Difference formula and

Bessel's Central Difference formula, (10)

→ When the values of x are not equispaced, then we use derivatives formula using Lagrange's formula or Newton's divided difference formula.

Example : The following data gives the velocity of a particle for 20 seconds at an interval of 5 seconds. Find the initial accⁿ. using the data :

Time (t in seconds):	0	5	10	15	20
Velocity (v in m/sec):	0	2	13	68	227

Solution : Forward difference table for the given data is :

t	v	Δv	$\Delta^2 v$	$\Delta^3 v$	$\Delta^4 v$
Complete the table					

We will have

$$\Delta v_0 = 2, \quad \Delta^2 v_0 = 9, \quad \Delta^3 v_0 = 35, \quad \Delta^4 v_0 = 25$$

We need to evaluate initial acceleration at $t=0$ i.e., $\left(\frac{dv}{dt}\right)_{t=0}$.

By Newton's forward formula for derivatives,

$$\left(\frac{dv}{dt}\right)_{t=0} = \frac{1}{h} \left(\Delta v_0 - \frac{1}{2} \Delta^2 v_0 + \frac{1}{3} \Delta^3 v_0 - \frac{1}{4} \Delta^4 v_0 + \dots \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{5} \left[2 - \frac{1}{2}(9) + \frac{1}{3}(35) - \frac{1}{4}(25) \right]$$

(All other forward differences required to put in formula are zero).

$$\approx 0.58$$

∴ Initial acceleration is 0.58 m/sec^2 .

Practice Questions

- ① Find the value of $y'(0)$ and $y''(0)$ from the following table:

x	0	1	2	3	4	5
y	4	8	15	7	6	2

(Ans. $\rightarrow -27.9, 117.67$)

- ② Find the value of $\cos(1.74)$ from the following table:

x	1.7	1.74	1.78	1.82	1.86
$\sin x$	0.9916	0.9857	0.9751	0.9691	0.9584

(Ans. $\rightarrow -0.175$)

- ③ Given $\sin 0^\circ = 0.000$, $\sin 10^\circ = 0.1736$,
 $\sin 20^\circ = 0.3420$, $\sin 30^\circ = 0.5000$, $\sin 40^\circ = 0.6428$

- (a) Find the value of $\sin 23^\circ$
- (b) Find the numerical value of $\frac{dy}{dx}$ at $x = 10^\circ$ for $y = \sin x$.
- (c) Find the numerical value of $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ at $x = 20^\circ$ for $y = \sin x$.

(Ans. \rightarrow (a) 0.3907 (b) 0.9848 (c) 0.342)

Richardson Extrapolation :

This technique provides a method of improving the accuracy of a low-order approximation formula. i.e., this method is used to improve the numerical method's solution estimation.

consider

$$x_k = x^* + Mh^n \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

where x_k is the k th estimate of ^{true} solution x^* , and Mh^n is the error term.

If we replace h by rh , then we get the another estimation for x^* .

i.e., $x_{k+1} = x^* + Mr^n h^n \longrightarrow \textcircled{2}$.

- Eqn. $\textcircled{1} \times r^n + \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow$

$$x_{k+1} - r^n x_k = (1 - r^n) x^*$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x^* = \frac{x_{k+1} - r^n x_k}{1 - r^n}} \longrightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

This x^* is also represented by x_k .

Equation $\textcircled{3}$ gives Richardson extrapolation estimate.

Using Richardson extrapolation, we get higher order formula from lower order formula, which

improves the estimation.

Now, three-point central difference formula for first order derivative along with its error term is,

$$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{6} f'''(0) \quad \rightarrow (4)$$

let us represent,

$$D(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} \quad \rightarrow (5)$$

Then,

$$\underbrace{f'(x)}_{\text{Exact value}} = \underbrace{D(h)}_{\text{Approximated Value}} - \underbrace{\frac{h^2}{6} f'''(0)}_{\text{Error term}} \quad \rightarrow (6)$$

for better approximation, for $f'(x)$ replace h by rh in equation (6),

$$f'(x) = D(rh) - \frac{r^2 h^2}{6} f'''(0) \quad \rightarrow (7)$$

where

$$D(rh) = \frac{f(x+rh) - f(x-rh)}{2rh} \quad \rightarrow (8)$$

To eliminate the error term, apply

eq. (7) - Eq. (6) $\times r^2$, we get

$$(1-r^2) f'(x) = D(rh) - r^2 D(h)$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{D(2h) - r^2 D(h)}{1 - r^2} \rightarrow (9)$$

This is better estimation for $f'(x)$, as the error term ^{having} h^2 has been eliminated.

Case (i) :

For $r = 2$, eqn. (9) gives,

$$f'(x) = \frac{D(2h) - 4 D(h)}{1 - 4}$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \left(\frac{f(x+2h) - f(x-2h)}{4h} \right) - 4 \left(\frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} \right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{f(x+2h) - f(x-2h) - 8 f(x+h) + 8 f(x-h)}{-12h}$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{f(x-2h) - 8 f(x-h) + 8 f(x+h) - f(x+2h)}{12h}$$

$\rightarrow (10)$

Equation (10) is five point central difference formula for $f'(x)$.

Case (ii) :

For $r = 0.5$, eqn. (9) gives,

$$f'(x) = \frac{D\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) - \frac{1}{4} D(h)}{1 - \frac{1}{4}}$$

(4)

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \left(\frac{f(x+\frac{h}{2}) - f(x-\frac{h}{2})}{2 \cdot \frac{h}{2}} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} \right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{8f(x+\frac{h}{2}) - 8f(x-\frac{h}{2}) - f(x+h) + f(x-h)}{8h \cdot \frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{f(x-h) - 8f(x-\frac{h}{2}) + 8f(x+\frac{h}{2}) - f(x+h)}{6h}$$

→ (11)

The application of formula (11) depends on the availability of function values at $x \pm \frac{h}{2}$ points. This is the restriction when Richardson extrapolation formula is applied to tabulated function values.

Example : Show that Richardson's extrapolation technique for the given data provides better estimates for first order derivative ^{at $x = 0.5$} for $h = 0.5, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}$.

x	-0.5	-0.25	0	0.25	0.5	0.75	1.0	1.25	1.5
$f(x) = e^{2x}$	-3.6945	-1.8472	1	1.8472	3.6945	5.5417	7.3890	9.2363	11.0835

Solution : Take $h = 0.5$, $r = \frac{1}{2}$, $x = 0.5$.

Using three-point central formula,

$$D(h) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$$

$$\Rightarrow D(0.5) = \frac{f(0.5+0.5) - f(0.5-0.5)}{2 \times 0.5}$$
$$= \frac{f(1) - f(0)}{1} = \frac{7.3890 - 1}{1} = 6.389$$

$\therefore \boxed{D(0.5) = 6.389} \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$

Now, $D(rh) = \frac{f(x+rh) - f(x-rh)}{2(rh)}$

$$\therefore D\left(\frac{1}{2} \times 0.5\right) = \frac{f(0.5+0.25) - f(0.5-0.25)}{2 \times 0.25}$$
$$= \frac{f(0.75) - f(0.25)}{0.5}$$
$$= \frac{5.5417 - 1.8472}{0.5}$$

$\boxed{D(0.25) = 7.389} \longrightarrow \textcircled{2}$

By Richardson extrapolation,

$$f'(x) = \frac{D(rh) - r^2 D(h)}{1 - r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(0.5) = \frac{D(0.25) - \frac{1}{4} D(0.5)}{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2}$$
$$= \frac{7.389 - \frac{1}{4}(6.389)}{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{f'(0.5) = 7.7226} \longrightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

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Now taking $h = 0.5, n = 0.5, L = 2,$

$$D(2h) = D(2 \times 0.5) = D(1) = \frac{f(0.5 + 2 \times 0.5) - f(0.5 - 2 \times 0.5)}{2(2 \times 0.5)}$$

$$\Rightarrow D(1) = \frac{f(1.5) - f(-0.5)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{11.0835 - (-3.6945)}{2}$$

$$= 7.3885$$

$$\therefore f'(0.5) = \frac{D(1) - 4D(0.5)}{1-4}$$

$$= \frac{7.3885 - 4(6.389)}{-3} \quad [\text{From } \textcircled{1}]$$

$$\boxed{f'(0.5) = 6.0558} \longrightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

The correct value of $f'(0.5) = 2 \cdot e^{2(0.5)}$ is 7.7226.

Thus from $\textcircled{3}$ & $\textcircled{4}$, we observe that estimate of $x = 0.5$ is much better than estimate at $x = 2$.

Practice Questions

(9)

(i) By use of Richardson extrapolation, find $f'(1)$ using the approximate formula:

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0+h) - f(x_0-h)}{2h}$$

with $h = 0.4, 0.2$ and 0.1 from the following values:

x	$f(x)$
0.6	0.767178
0.8	0.859892
0.9	0.925863
1.0	0.984007
1.1	1.033743
1.2	1.074575
1.4	1.127986

Reference Books :

- Books mentioned in GE-4 Paper syllabus.
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