

CH5: Numerical Differentiation

When we don't have an explicit function f of x , but we have only a given data of $n+1$ points $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ where $y_i = f(x_i)$, and in the same time we want to find the values of $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$ at some values of x in the interval $[x_0, x_n]$ without knowing the exact formula of f , we should use the following formulas depending on the position of x in the interval $[x_0, x_n]$, where the forward difference formulas will be used for the values of x in the first half of the interval $[x_0, x_n]$ while the backward difference formulas will be used for the values of x in the last half of the interval of $[x_0, x_n]$:

عندما لا يكون لدينا صيغة صريحة للدالة f للمتغير x وإنما يتوفر لدينا $n+1$ من النقاط المعلومة الواقعة على المنحني $y = f(x)$ وهي (x_0, y_0) و (x_1, y_1) و \dots و (x_n, y_n) حيث أن $y_i = f(x_i)$ وفي نفس الوقت نرغب بإيجاد قيم المشتقات $f'(x)$ و $f''(x)$ عند قيم معينة لـ x في الفترة $[x_0, x_n]$ فعلياً حينها استخدام الصيغ *the formulas* التالية اعتماداً على موقع x في الفترة $[x_0, x_n]$ حيث إننا

نستخدم ال forward difference formulas لإيجاد $f'(x)$ و $f''(x)$ لقيم x الواقعة في النصف الأول من الفترة $[x_0, x_n]$ بينما نستخدم ال backward difference formulas لإيجاد المشتقات $f'(x)$ و $f''(x)$ لقيم x الواقعة في النصف الأخير من الفترة $[x_0, x_n]$.

1) Forward Difference Formulas:

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

where $h = x_{i+1} - x_i$, $k = \frac{x - x_0}{h}$,

$$f''(x) = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 y_0 + (k-1) \Delta^3 y_0 + \left(\frac{1}{2} k^2 - \frac{3}{2} k + \frac{11}{12} \right) \Delta^4 y_0 + \dots \right]$$

2) Backward Difference Formulas :

$$f'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{h} \left[\nabla y_n + (2k+1) \frac{\nabla^2 y_n}{2!} \right. \\ \left. + (3k^2 + 6k + 2) \frac{\nabla^3 y_n}{3!} \right. \\ \left. + (4k^3 + 18k^2 + 22k + 6) \frac{\nabla^4 y_n}{4!} + \dots \right]$$

where $h = x_{i+1} - x_i$, $k = \frac{x - x_n}{h}$,

$$f''(x) = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\nabla^2 y_n + (k+1) \nabla^3 y_n \right. \\ \left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} k^2 + \frac{3}{2} k + \frac{11}{12} \right) \nabla^4 y_n + \dots \right]$$

Example 1: Find the derivatives

$f'(0.2)$, $f''(0.2)$, $f'(3.7)$, $f''(3.7)$ by

using the following data

x_i	0	1	2	3	4
y_i	0	0	8	54	192

Solution:

1) For $x = 0.2$

$$h = x_{i+1} - x_i = 1, \quad x = 0.2, \quad x_0 = 0,$$

$$k = \frac{x - x_0}{h} = \frac{0.2 - 0}{1} = 0.2.$$

x_i	y_i	Δy_i	$\Delta^2 y_i$	$\Delta^3 y_i$	$\Delta^4 y_i$
0	0	0			
1	0	8	8	30	24
2	8	46	38	54	
3	54	138	92		
4	192				

$$f'(0.2) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta y_0 + (2k-1) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + (3k^2 - 6k + 2) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} + (4k^3 - 18k^2 + 22k - 6) \frac{\Delta^4 y_0}{4!} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{1} \left[0 + (2 * (0.2) - 1) * \frac{8}{2} \right.$$

$$\left. + (3 * (0.2)^2 - 6 * (0.2) + 2) * \frac{30}{6} \right.$$

$$\left. + (4 * (0.2)^3 - 18 * (0.2)^2 + 22 * (0.2) - 6) * \frac{24}{24} \right]$$

$$= 0 - 2.4 + 4.6 - 2.288 = -0.088$$

$$f''(0.2) = \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 y_0 + (k-1) \Delta^3 y_0 + \left(\frac{1}{2} k^2 - \frac{3}{2} k + \frac{11}{12} \right) \Delta^4 y_0 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{1} \left[8 + (0.2 - 1) * 30 \right.$$

$$\left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} * (0.2)^2 - \frac{3}{2} * (0.2) + \frac{11}{12} \right) * 24 \right]$$

$$= 8 - 24 + 15.28 = -0.72$$

2) For $x = 3.7$

$$h = x_{i+1} - x_i = 1, \quad x = 3.7, \quad x_4 = 4$$

$$k = \frac{x - x_4}{h} = \frac{3.7 - 4}{1} = -0.3$$

x_i	y_i	∇y_i	$\nabla^2 y_i$	$\nabla^3 y_i$	$\nabla^4 y_i$
0	0	0			
1	0	8	8	30	
2	8	46	38	54	24
3	54	138	92		
4	192				

$$f'(3.7) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\nabla y_4 + (2k+1) \frac{\nabla^2 y_4}{2!} + (3k^2 + 6k + 2) \frac{\nabla^3 y_4}{3!} + (4k^3 + 18k^2 + 22k + 6) \frac{\nabla^4 y_4}{4!} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{1} \left[138 + (2 * (-0.3) + 1) * \frac{92}{2} \right. \\
&\quad + (3 * (-0.3)^2 + 6 * (-0.3) + 2) * \frac{54}{6} \\
&\quad \left. + (4 * (-0.3)^3 + 18 * (-0.3)^2 + 22 * (-0.3) + 6) * \frac{24}{24} \right] \\
&= 138 + 18.4 + 4.23 + 0.912 = 161.542
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f''(3.7) &= \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\nabla_{\sigma_4}^2 y + (k+1) \nabla_{\sigma_4}^3 y \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} k^2 + \frac{3}{2} k + \frac{11}{12} \right) \nabla_{\sigma_4}^4 y \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{1} \left[92 + (-0.3 + 1) * 54 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} * (-0.3)^2 + \frac{3}{2} * (-0.3) + \frac{11}{12} \right) * 24 \right] \\
&= 92 + 37.8 + 12.28 = 142.08
\end{aligned}$$

Example 2: Find the derivatives $f'(3.2)$

$f''(3.2)$, $f'(7.6)$, $f''(7.6)$ by using the following data

x_i	1	3	5	7	9
y_i	1	7	21	43	73

Solution:

1) For $x = 3.2$

$$h = x_{i+1} - x_i = 2, \quad x = 3.2, \quad x_0 = 1,$$

$$k = \frac{x - x_0}{h} = \frac{3.2 - 1}{2} = \frac{2.2}{2} = 1.1$$

x_i	y_i	Δy_i	$\Delta^2 y_i$	$\Delta^3 y_i$	$\Delta^4 y_i$
1	1				
3	7	6	8	0	
5	21	14	8	0	0
7	43	22	8		
9	73	30			

$$f'(3.2) = \frac{1}{h} \left[\Delta y_0 + (2k-1) \frac{\Delta^2 y_0}{2!} + (3k^2 - 6k + 2) \frac{\Delta^3 y_0}{3!} \right.$$

$$\left. + (4k^3 - 18k^2 + 22k - 6) \frac{\Delta^4 y_0}{4!} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[6 + (2 * (1.1) - 1) * \frac{8}{2} \right.$$

$$\left. + (3 * (1.1)^2 - 6 * (1.1) + 2) * \frac{0}{6} \right.$$

$$\left. + (4 * (1.1)^3 - 18 * (1.1)^2 + 22 * (1.1) - 6) * \frac{0}{24} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [6 + 4.8 + 0 + 0] = \frac{1}{2} * 10.8 = 5.4$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f''(3.2) &= \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\Delta^2 y_0 + (k-1) \Delta^3 y_0 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} k^2 - \frac{3}{2} k + \frac{11}{12} \right) \Delta^4 y_0 \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \left[8 + (1.1-1) * 0 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} * (1.1)^2 - \frac{3}{2} * (1.1) + \frac{11}{12} \right) * 0 \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} * 8 = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

2) For $x = 7.6$

$$h = x_{i+1} - x_i = 2, \quad x = 7.6, \quad x_4 = 9,$$

$$k = \frac{x - x_4}{h} = \frac{7.6 - 9}{2} = \frac{-1.4}{2} = -0.7$$

x_i	y_i	∇y_i	$\nabla^2 y_i$	$\nabla^3 y_i$	$\nabla^4 y_i$
1	1	6			
3	7	14	8		
5	21	22	8	0	
7	43	30	8	0	0
9	73				

$$\begin{aligned}
 f'(7.6) &= \frac{1}{h} \left[\nabla y_4 + (2k+1) \frac{\nabla^2 y_4}{2!} + (3k^2+6k+2) \frac{\nabla^3 y_4}{3!} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + (4k^3+18k^2+22k+6) \frac{\nabla^4 y_4}{4!} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[30 + (2 * (-0.7) + 1) * \frac{8}{2} \right. \\
&\quad + (3 * (-0.7)^2 + 6 * (-0.7) + 2) * \frac{0}{3!} \\
&\quad \left. + (4 * (-0.7)^3 + 18 * (-0.7)^2 + 22 * (-0.7) + 6) * \frac{0}{4!} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2} [30 - 1.6 + 0 + 0] = \frac{1}{2} * 28.4 = 14.2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f''(7.6) &= \frac{1}{h^2} \left[\nabla_{\partial_4}^2 y + (k+1) \nabla_{\partial_4}^3 y \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{2} k^2 + \frac{3}{2} k + \frac{11}{12} \right) \nabla_{\partial_4}^4 y \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{4} \left[8 + (-0.7+1) * 0 + \left(\frac{1}{2} * (-0.7)^2 + \frac{3}{2} * (-0.7) + \frac{11}{12} \right) * 0 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{4} [8 + 0 + 0] = \frac{1}{4} * 8 = 2.
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise: Find the derivatives

$$f'(2.2), f''(2.2), f'(9.3), f''(9.3)$$

by using the following data

x_i	2	4	6	8	10
y_i	2	1	3	8	20