

Extra exercises

Section 3.2

- Compute the derivative of $f(x) = x^4 + 2x^2 - x$ in $x=1$, using **forward differentiation**. Take $h = 0.1$, $h = 0.05$ and $h = 0.01$.
 - Compute the error (the difference between the approximation and the exact value).
- Compute the derivative of $f(x) = -2x^2 + 3x - 1$ in $x=0$, using **backward differentiation**. Take $h = 0.1$, $h = 0.05$ and $h = 0.01$.
 - Compute the error.
- Compute the derivative of $f(x) = -2x^2 + 3x - 1$ in $x=0$, using **central differentiation**. Take $h = 0.1$, $h = 0.05$ and $h = 0.01$.
 - Compute the error.
 - Which method, backward or central differentiation, has the smallest error?
- Compute the derivative of $f(x) = x^3 + 5x^2 - 2x + 3$ in $x=1$, using **central differentiation**. Take $h = 0.1$, $h = 0.05$ and $h = 0.01$.
 - Compute the error.

Section 3.4

- Apply the formula

$$Q(h) = \frac{-3f(x) + 4f(x+h) - f(x+2h)}{2h}$$

to $f(x) = -2x^2 + 3x - 1$, with $x=1$ and $h=0.5$.

- What is the meaning of this number?
 - Show, for this formula, that $Q(h)=f'(x)$.
- Given $f(x-2h)$, $f(x-h)$ and $f(x)$. Determine a formula to approximate $f'(x)$ with a minimal error.

Section 3.5

- Use the formula for linear interpolation to find an expression for the derivative when $n = 1$, $x = x_0$, $x_1 = x_0 - h$
 - Is the differentiation formula known?

Section 3.6

- Apply the formula

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

to $f(x) = 3x^2 + 5x - 2$, with $x=1$, $h=0.5$.

- What is the error?

2. Suppose we want to approximate $f''(x)$ on the border of our interval. We have given the points $x_0 = x, x_1 = x + h, x_2 = x + 2h$
 - (a) What kind of differentiation do we need, central or one-sided?
 - (b) Compute $Q(h)$ for the second derivative.
 - (c) Compute the order of the error. (Hint: Use Taylorexpanions)
3. Compute, by repeatedly applying the formula for the first derivative with forward differentiation, the second derivative.

Section 3.7

1. (a) Compute with forward differentiation $f'(1)$, when $f(x) = \ln(x)$ and $h = 0.025$, using the numbers from the following table.

h	$\ln(1+h)$
0.1	0.09531
0.05	0.04879
0.025	0.02469

 - (b) Give an estimate of the error with Richardsons error-estimation.
 - (c) Compare this estimate of the error with the exact error.
2. (a) Compute with central differentiation the derivative of $f(x) = \cos(x)$, $x \in [0, \pi]$ in $x = 1$ for $h = 0.01$
 - (b) Give an estimate of the error with Richardsons error-estimation.
 - (c) Compare this estimate of the error with the exact error.

Answers of the extra exercises

Section 3.2

1. (a) Forward differentiation: $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$

$$f(1) = 1^4 + 2 \cdot 1^2 - 1 = 1 + 2 - 1 = 2$$

$$h = 0.1: f'(1) \approx \frac{1.1^4 + 2 \cdot 1.1^2 - 1.1 - 2}{0.1} = \frac{0.7841}{0.1} = 7.841$$

$$h = 0.05: f'(1) \approx \frac{1.05^4 + 2 \cdot 1.05^2 - 1.05 - 2}{0.05} = \frac{0.3705}{0.05} = 7.410$$

$$h = 0.01: f'(1) \approx \frac{1.01^4 + 2 \cdot 1.01^2 - 1.01 - 2}{0.01} = \frac{0.0708}{0.01} = 7.080$$
- (b) $R_v(h) = f'(x) - \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$

$$f'(x) = 4x^3 + 4x - 1, \Rightarrow f'(1) = 4 \cdot 1^3 + 4 \cdot 1 - 1 = 7$$

$$R_v(0.1) = 7 - 7.841 = -0.841$$

$$R_v(0.05) = 7 - 7.410 = -0.410$$

$$R_v(0.01) = 7 - 7.080 = -0.080$$
2. (a) Backward differentiation: $\frac{f(x)-f(x-h)}{h}$

$$f(0) = -2 \cdot 0^2 + 3 \cdot 0 - 1 = -1$$

$$h = 0.1: f(-0.1) = -2 \cdot (-0.1)^2 + 3 \cdot (-0.1) - 1 = -1.32$$

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{-1 - (-1.32)}{0.1} = \frac{0.32}{0.1} = 3.2$$

$$h = 0.05: f(-0.05) = -2 \cdot (-0.05)^2 + 3 \cdot (-0.05) - 1 = -1.155$$

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{-1 - (-1.155)}{0.05} = \frac{0.155}{0.05} = 3.1$$

$$h = 0.01: f(-0.01) = -2 \cdot (-0.01)^2 + 3 \cdot (-0.01) - 1 = -1.0302$$

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{-1 - (-1.0302)}{0.01} = \frac{0.0302}{0.01} = 3.02$$
- (b) $R_a(h) = f'(x) - \frac{f(x)-f(x-h)}{h}$

$$f'(x) = -4x + 3, \Rightarrow f'(0) = -4 \cdot 0 + 3 = 3$$

$$R_a(0.1) = 3 - 3.2 = -0.2$$

$$R_a(0.05) = 3 - 3.1 = -0.1$$

$$R_a(0.01) = 3 - 3.02 = -0.02$$
3. (a) Central differentiation: $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x-h)}{2h}$

$$h = 0.1: f(0.1) = -2 \cdot 0.1^2 + 3 \cdot 0.1 - 1 = -0.72$$

$$f(-0.1) = -2 \cdot (-0.1)^2 + 3 \cdot (-0.1) - 1 = -1.32$$

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{-0.72 - (-1.32)}{2 \cdot 0.1} = 3.00$$

$$h = 0.05: f(0.05) = -2 \cdot 0.05^2 + 3 \cdot 0.05 - 1 = -0.855$$

$$f(-0.05) = -2 \cdot (-0.05)^2 + 3 \cdot (-0.05) - 1 = -1.155$$

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{-0.855 - (-1.155)}{2 \cdot 0.05} = 3.000$$

$$h = 0.01: f(0.01) = -2 \cdot 0.01^2 + 3 \cdot 0.01 - 1 = -0.9702$$

$$f(-0.01) = -2 \cdot (-0.01)^2 + 3 \cdot (-0.01) - 1 = -1.0302$$

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{-0.9702 - (-1.0302)}{2 \cdot 0.01} = 3.000$$
- (b) The error is exactly zero. For this problem the central differentiation is the best method.
4. (a) Central differentiation: $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x-h)}{2h}$

$$h = 0.1: f(1.1) = 1.1^3 + 5 \cdot 1.1^2 - 2 \cdot 1.1 + 3 = 8.181$$

$$f(0.9) = 0.9^3 + 5 \cdot 0.9^2 - 2 \cdot 0.9 + 3 = 5.979$$

$$f'(1) \approx \frac{8.181 - 5.979}{2 \cdot 0.1} = 11.01$$

$$h = 0.05: f(1.05) = 1.05^3 + 5 \cdot 1.05^2 - 2 \cdot 1.05 + 3 = 7.570125$$

$$f(0.95) = 0.95^3 + 5 \cdot 0.95^2 - 2 \cdot 0.95 + 3 = 6.469875$$

$$f'(1) = \frac{7.570125 - 6.469875}{2 \cdot 0.05} = 11.0025$$

$$\begin{aligned}
h = 0.01: f(1.01) &= 1.01^3 + 5 \cdot 1.01^2 - 2 \cdot 1.01 + 3 = 7.110801 \\
f(0.99) &= 0.99^3 + 5 \cdot 0.99^2 - 2 \cdot 0.99 + 3 = 6.890799 \\
f'(1) &= \frac{7.110801 - 6.890799}{2 \cdot 0.01} = 11.0001
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(b) } R_2(h) &= f'(x) - \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} \\
f'(x) &= 3x^2 + 10x - 2, \Rightarrow f'(1) = 3 \cdot 1^2 + 10 \cdot 1 - 2 = 3 + 10 - 2 = 11 \\
R_2(0.1) &= 11 - 11.01 = -0.01 \\
R_2(0.05) &= 11 - 11.0025 = -0.0025 \\
R_2(0.01) &= 11 - 11.0001 = -0.0001
\end{aligned}$$

Section 3.4

$$1. \text{ (a) } Q(h) = \frac{-3f(x) + 4f(x+h) - f(x+2h)}{2h}$$

$$f(1) = -2 \cdot 1^2 + 3 \cdot 1 - 1 = 0$$

$$f(1 + 0.5) = f(1.5) = -2 \cdot 1.5^2 + 3 \cdot 1.5 - 1 = -1$$

$$f(1 + 2 \cdot 0.5) = f(2) = -2 \cdot 2^2 + 3 \cdot 2 - 1 = -3$$

$$Q(0.5) = \frac{-3 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot (-1) - (-3)}{2 \cdot 0.5} = \frac{0 - 4 + 3}{1} = -1$$

(b) This is the derivative of the function in the point $x = 1$.

$$\text{(c) } f'(x) = -4x + 3$$

$$Q(h) = \frac{-3f(x) + 4f(x+h) - f(x+2h)}{2h}$$

$$= \frac{-3(-2x^2 + 3x - 1) + 4(-2(x+h)^2 + 3(x+h) - 1) - (-2(x+2h)^2 + 3(x+2h) - 1)}{2h}$$

$$= \frac{6x^2 - 9x + 3 - 8(x^2 + 2xh + h^2) + 12x + 12h - 4 + 2(x^2 + 4xh + 4h^2) - 3x - 6h + 1}{2h}$$

$$= \frac{6x^2 - 9x + 3 - 8x^2 - 16xh - 8h^2 + 12x + 12h - 4 + 2x^2 + 8xh + 8h^2 - 3x - 6h + 1}{2h}$$

$$= \frac{-8xh + 6h}{2h}$$

$$= -4x + 3$$

$$2. \text{ Choose } x_{-2} = x - 2h, x_{-1} = x - h, x_0 = x \text{ and } Q(h) = \frac{\alpha_{-2}f(x-2h) + \alpha_{-1}f(x-h) + \alpha_0f(x)}{h}$$

Taylor expansion:

$$f(x) = f(x)$$

$$f(x-h) = f(x) + (x-h-x)f'(x) + \frac{(x-h-x)^2}{2!}f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$= f(x) - hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2}f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$f(x-2h) = f(x) + (x-2h-x)f'(x) + \frac{(x-2h-x)^2}{2!}f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$= f(x) - 2hf'(x) + \frac{4h^2}{2}f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

This gives the following conditions:

$$f(x): \frac{\alpha_{-2}}{h} + \frac{\alpha_{-1}}{h} + \frac{\alpha_0}{h} = 0$$

$$f'(x): -2\alpha_{-2} - \alpha_{-1} = 1$$

$$f''(x): 2h\alpha_{-2} + \frac{1}{2}h\alpha_{-1} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_{-1} = -2\alpha_{-2} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2h\alpha_{-2} + \frac{1}{2}h(-2\alpha_{-2} - 1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2h\alpha_{-2} - h\alpha_{-2} - \frac{1}{2}h = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow h\alpha_{-2} - \frac{1}{2}h = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow h(\alpha_{-2} - \frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_{-2} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha_{-1} = -2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} - 1 = -2$$

$$Q(h) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}f(x-2h) - 2f(x-h) + \frac{3}{2}f(x)}{h} = \frac{f(x-2h) - 4f(x-h) + 3f(x)}{2h}$$

Section 3.5

1. (a) The formula becomes:

$$f'(x_0) = f(x_0)L'_{01}(x_0) + f(x_1)L'_{11}(x_0) + (x_0 - x_1)\frac{1}{2}f''(\xi)$$

From 2.3 follows:

$$L_{01}(x) = \frac{x-x_1}{x_0-x_1} = \frac{x-x_1}{x_0-(x_0-h)} = \frac{x-x_1}{h}$$

$$L'_{01}(x) = \frac{1}{h}$$

$$L_{11}(x) = \frac{x-x_0}{x_1-x_0} = \frac{x-x_0}{x_0-h-x_0} = \frac{x-x_0}{-h}$$

$$L'_{11}(x) = -\frac{1}{h}$$

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{h}f(x_0) - \frac{1}{h}f(x_1) + (x_0 - (x_0 - h)) \cdot \frac{1}{2}f''(\xi)$$

(b) $f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{h}f(x_0) - \frac{1}{h}f(x_1) + (x_0 - (x_0 - h)) \cdot \frac{1}{2}f''(\xi)$

$$= \frac{1}{h}f(x_0) - \frac{1}{h}f(x_1) + \frac{h}{2}f''(\xi)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{h}f(x) - \frac{1}{h}f(x-h) + \frac{h}{2}f''(\xi)$$

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

This is equal to backward differentiation.

Section 3.6

1. (a) $Q(h) = \frac{f(x+h)-2f(x)+f(x-h)}{h^2}$

$$f(1+0.5) = f(1.5) = 3 \cdot 1.5^2 + 5 \cdot 1.5 - 2 = 12.25$$

$$f(1) = 3 \cdot 1^2 + 5 \cdot 1 - 2 = 6$$

$$f(1-0.5) = f(0.5) = 3 \cdot 0.5^2 + 5 \cdot 0.5 - 2 = 1.25$$

$$Q(0.5) = \frac{12.25-2 \cdot 6+1.25}{0.5^2} = \frac{1.5}{0.25} = 6$$

(b) $f'(x) = 6x + 5$

$$f''(x) = 6$$

$$f''(1) = 6$$

$$\text{The error is } f''(1) - Q(0.5) = 6 - 6 = 0$$

2. (a) One-sided differentiation

(b) $Q(h) = \frac{\alpha_0 f(x) + \alpha_1 f(x+h) + \alpha_2 f(x+2h)}{h^2}$

Taylor expansion:

$$f(x) = f(x)$$

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + (x+h-x)f'(x) + \frac{(x+h-x)^2}{2!}f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$= f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2}f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$f(x+2h) = f(x) + (x+2h-x)f'(x) + \frac{(x+2h-x)^2}{2!}f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

$$= f(x) + 2hf'(x) + 2h^2f''(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$$

This gives the following conditions:

$$f(x): \frac{\alpha_0}{h^2} + \frac{\alpha_1}{h^2} + \frac{\alpha_2}{h^2} = 0$$

$$f'(x): \frac{\alpha_1}{h} + \frac{2\alpha_2}{h} = 0$$

$$f''(x): \frac{1}{2}\alpha_1 + 2\alpha_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = -2\alpha_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(-2\alpha_2) + 2\alpha_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -\alpha_2 + 2\alpha_2 = \alpha_2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_1 = -2 \cdot 1 = -2$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_0 - 2 + 1 = \alpha_0 - 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha_0 = 1$$

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

(c) $f''(x) - Q(h) = f''(x) - \frac{f(x)-2f(x+h)+f(x+2h)}{h^2}$

$$= f'' - \frac{f-2f-2hf'-2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}h^2f''+\mathcal{O}(h^3)+f+2hf'+2h^2f''+\mathcal{O}(h^3)}{h^2}$$

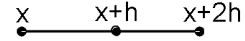
$$\begin{aligned}
&= f'' - \frac{h^2 f'' + \mathcal{O}(h^3)}{h^2} \\
&= f'' - f'' + \mathcal{O}(h) = \mathcal{O}(h)
\end{aligned}$$

The order of the error is 1.

3. Forward differentiation gives as approximation for $f''(x)$: $\frac{f'(x+h)-f'(x)}{h}$

Again forward differentiation gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{h} \left(\frac{f(x+2h)-f(x+h)}{h} - \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h} \right) \\
&= \frac{f(x+2h)-2f(x+h)+f(x)}{h^2}
\end{aligned}$$



(Check your answer with the last exercise.)

Section 3.7

1. (a) $N(0.025) = \frac{f(1.025)-f(1)}{h} = \frac{0.02469-0}{0.025} = 0.9876$

(b) $N(0.05) = \frac{f(1.05)-f(1)}{0.05} = \frac{0.04879-0}{0.05} = 0.9758$

$N(0.1) = \frac{f(1.1)-f(1)}{0.1} = \frac{0.09531-0}{0.1} = 0.9531$

$$\frac{N(0.05)-N(0.1)}{N(0.025)-N(0.05)} = \frac{0.9758-0.9531}{0.9876-0.9758} = \frac{0.0227}{0.0118} = 1.9237 \Rightarrow \alpha \approx 1$$

$$N(0.025) - N(0.05) = 0.0118 = K(2 \cdot 0.025)^1(1 - (\frac{1}{2})^1) = 0.025K \Rightarrow K = 0.4720$$

So, the error = $f'(1) - N(0.025) = 0.025^1 \cdot K = 0.0118$

(c) $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow f'(1) = 1/1 = 1$

Exact error = $f'(1) - N(0.025) = 1 - 0.9876 = 0.0124$

Difference = $|0.0124 - 0.0118| = 0.0006$

2. (a) Central differentiation: $f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h)-f(x-h)}{2h}$

$f(1.01) = \cos(1.01) = 0.531860$

$f(0.99) = \cos(0.99) = 0.548689$

$$f'(1) \approx \frac{0.531860-0.548689}{2 \cdot 0.01} = -0.841456$$

(b) $N(0.01) = -0.841456$ (from a)

$N(0.02) = \frac{f(1.02)-f(0.98)}{2 \cdot 0.02} = -0.841414$

$N(0.04) = \frac{f(1.04)-f(0.96)}{2 \cdot 0.04} = -0.841246$

$$\frac{N(0.02)-N(0.04)}{N(0.01)-N(0.02)} = \frac{-0.841414-(-0.841246)}{-0.841456-(-0.841414)} = 3.999701 \approx 2^2$$

So $\alpha = 2$

$$N(0.01) - N(0.02) = -0.0000420725 = K(2 \cdot 0.01)^2(1 - (\frac{1}{2})^2) = 0.0003K \Rightarrow K = \frac{-0.0000420725}{0.0003} = 0.140241$$

So, the error is $f'(1) - N(0.01) = 0.01^2 \cdot K = 1.402417 \cdot 10^{-5}$

(c) $f'(x) = -\sin(x) \Rightarrow f'(1) = -\sin(1) = -0.841471$

Exact error = $f'(1) - N(0.01) = -0.841471 + 0.841457 = 1.402441 \cdot 10^{-5}$ Difference =

$|1.402441 \cdot 10^{-5} - 1.402417 \cdot 10^{-5}| = 2.4123 \cdot 10^{-10}$