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INTERPOLATION WITH EQUAL INTERVALS

Newton's forward interpolation formula for equal intervals:

Let x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n be equidistant values of x and y_0, y_1, \dots, y_n be the corresponding values of $y = f(x)$.

Let $h = x_i - x_{i-1}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then

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

where $u = \frac{x - x_0}{h}$.

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Newton's backward interpolation formula for equal intervals:

Let $x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$ be equidistant values of x and $y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$ be the corresponding values of $y = f(x)$.

Let $h = x_i - x_{i-1}$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then

$$y = y_n + \frac{v}{1!} \nabla y_n + \frac{v(v+1)}{2!} \nabla^2 y_n + \frac{v(v+1)(v+2)}{3!} \nabla^3 y_n + \dots + \frac{v(v+1)\dots(v+n-1)}{n!} \nabla^n y_n$$

where $v = \frac{x - x_n}{h}$.



Problems :

① Find the values of y at $x = 21$ and $x = 28$ from the following data :

x :	20	23	26	29
y :	0.3420	0.3907	0.4384	0.4848

Soln:

x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$
20	0.3420	0.0487	-0.001	-0.0003
23	0.3907	0.0477	-0.0013	
26	0.4384	0.0464		
29	0.4848			

Here $h = 3$

Since $x = 21$ is nearer to the beginning of the table, we use Newton's forward formula.

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

$$\text{where } p = \frac{x - x_0}{h} = \frac{21 - 20}{3} = 0.3333$$

$$p = 0.3333$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 y(21) &= 0.3420 + (0.3333)(0.0481) + \\
 &\quad \frac{(0.3333)(-0.6667)(-0.001)}{2} + \\
 &\quad \frac{(0.3333)(-0.6667)(-1.6667)(-0.0003)}{6} \\
 &= 0.3420 + 0.0162 + 0.0001 - 0.0000185
 \end{aligned}$$

$$y(21) = 0.3583$$

Since $x = 28$ is nearer to the end value, we use Newton's backward interpolation formula,

$$y(x) = y_n + \nabla y_n \cdot \alpha + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{2!} \nabla^2 y_n + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)(\alpha+2)}{3!} \nabla^3 y_n + \dots$$

$$\text{where } \alpha = \frac{x - x_n}{h} = \frac{28 - 29}{3}$$

$$\alpha = -0.3333$$

$$x = 28$$

$$x_n = 29$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(28) &= 0.4848 + (-0.3333)(0.0464) + \\
 &\quad \frac{(-0.3333)(0.6667)(-0.0013)}{2} + \\
 &\quad \frac{(-0.3333)(0.6667)(1.6667)(-0.0003)}{6}
 \end{aligned}$$



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$$y(28) = 0.4848 - 0.01547 + 0.00014 + 0.00002$$

$$y(28) = 0.4695$$

(2) From the following table of half-yearly premium for policies maturing at different ages, estimate the premium for policies maturing at age 46 and 63.

Age x :	45	50	55	60	65
Premium y :	114.85	96.16	83.32	74.48	68.48

Soln:

x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$
45	114.85	-18.69			
50	96.16	-12.84	5.85		
55	83.32	-8.84	4	-1.85	0.69
60	74.48	-6	2.84	-1.16	
65	68.48				

Here $h = 5$.

Since $x = 46$ is nearer to the beginning of the table, we use Newton's forward difference formula.



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

where $p = \frac{x - x_0}{h} = \frac{46 - 45}{5} = 0.2$

$p = 0.2$

$$\therefore y(46) = 114.85 + (0.2)(-18.69) + \frac{(0.2)(0.2-1)}{2} \dots (5.85)$$

$$+ \frac{(0.2)(0.2-1)(0.2-2)}{6} (-1.85) +$$

$$\frac{(0.2)(0.2-1)(0.2-2)(0.2-3)}{24} (0.69)$$

$$= 114.85 - 3.738 - 0.468 - 0.0888 - 0.0232$$

$y(46) = 110.532$

Since $x = 63$ is nearer to $x = 65$, we use Newton's backward formula.

$$\text{i.e., } y(x) = y_n + q \nabla y_n + \frac{q(q+1)}{2!} \nabla^2 y_n +$$

$$\frac{q(q+1)(q+2)}{3!} \nabla^3 y_n + \frac{q(q+1)(q+2)(q+3)}{4!} \nabla^4 y_n$$



$$q = \frac{x - x_n}{h} = \frac{63 - 65}{5} = -0.4$$

$$y(63) = 68.48 + (-0.4)(-6) + \frac{(-4)(.6)(2.84)}{2} + \frac{(-0.4)(0.6)(1.6)(-1.16)}{6} + \frac{(-0.4)(0.6)(1.6)(2.6)(1.69)}{24}$$

$$= 68.48 + 2.4 - 0.3408 + 0.07424 - 0.0287$$

$$y(63) = 70.5847$$

3) From the following table find the value of $\tan 45^\circ 15'$

x°	45	46	47	48	49	50
$\tan x^\circ$	1.0000	1.03553	1.07237	1.11061	1.15037	1.19175

Soln:

x°	$y = \tan x^\circ$	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$	$\Delta^5 y$
45	1.0000	0.03553	0.00131	0.00009	0.00003	-0.00005
46	1.03553	0.03684	0.0014	0.00012	-0.00002	
47	1.07237	0.03824	0.00152	0.0001		
48	1.11061	0.03976	0.00162			
49	1.15037	0.04138				
50	1.19175					



$$1 \text{ degree } (1^\circ) = 60 \text{ min } (60')$$

$$1 \text{ minute } (1') = 60 \text{ sec } (60'')$$

$$\text{Here } h = 1^\circ$$

Since $x = 45^\circ 15'$ is nearer to the beginning of the table, we use Newton's forward difference formula.

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

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

$$x_0 = 45^\circ, \quad x = 45^\circ 15', \quad h = 1^\circ$$

$$= \frac{45^\circ 15' - 45^\circ}{1^\circ} = \frac{15'}{1^\circ} = \frac{15'}{60'} = 0.25 \quad 1^\circ = 60'$$

$$\boxed{p = 0.25}$$

$$\therefore y(45^\circ 15') = 1 + (0.25)(0.03553) +$$

$$\frac{(0.25)(-0.75)(0.00131)}{2} +$$

$$\frac{(0.25)(-0.75)(-1.75)(0.00009)}{6} + (0.25)(-0.75)$$

$$\frac{(-1.75)(-2.75)}{24}$$

$$(0.00003)$$

$$+ \frac{(0.25)(-0.75)(-1.75)(-2.75)(-3.75)(-0.00005)}{120}$$

$$= 1 + 0.00888 - 0.00012 + 0.000005 - 0.000001$$

$$- 0.000001$$

$$= 1.008763$$

$$\boxed{y(45^\circ 15') = 1.008763}$$



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④ The population of a town is as follows:

Year : 1941 1951 1961 1971 1981 1991

Population : 20 24 29 36 46 51

in Lakhs

Estimate the population increase during the period 1946 to 1976

Soln:

x	y	Δy	$\Delta^2 y$	$\Delta^3 y$	$\Delta^4 y$	$\Delta^5 y$
1941	20					
1951	24	4				
1961	29	5	1			
1971	36	7	2	1		
1981	46	10	3	1	0	
1991	51	5	-5	-8	-9	-9

Here $h = 10$.

Since $x = 1946$ is nearer to the beginning of the table, we use Newton's forward difference table formula.

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

Where $p = \frac{x - x_0}{h} = \frac{1946 - 1941}{10} = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$

$p = 0.5$



$$\begin{aligned}
 y(1946) &= 20 + (0.5)4 + \frac{(0.5)(-0.5)}{2} + \\
 &\quad \frac{(0.5)(-0.5)(-1.5)}{6} + \frac{(0.5)(-0.5)(-1.5)(-2.5)(0)}{24} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(0.5)(-0.5)(-1.5)(-2.5)(-3.5)(-9)}{120} \\
 &= 20 + 2 - 0.125 + 0.0625 - 0.2461
 \end{aligned}$$

$$y(1946) = 21.6914$$

We use backward difference formula to find $y(1976)$.

$$y(x) = y_n + \alpha \nabla y_n + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{2!} \nabla^2 y_n + \dots$$

$$\text{where } \alpha = \frac{x - x_n}{h} = \frac{1976 - 1991}{10} = -1.5$$

$$\alpha = -1.5$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 y(1976) &= 51 + (-1.5)(5) + \frac{(-1.5)(-0.5)(-5)}{2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(-1.5)(-0.5)(0.5)(-8)}{6} + \frac{(-1.5)(-0.5)(0.5)(1.5)(-9)}{24} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(-1.5)(-0.5)(0.5)(1.5)(2.5)(-9)}{120}
 \end{aligned}$$



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$$y(1976) = 51 - 7.5 - 1.875 - 0.5 - 0.2109 - 0.1055$$

$$y(1976) = 40.8086$$

Increase in Population during the period 1946 to 1976 is = $40.8086 - 21.6914 = 19.1172$ lakhs.

⑤ From the following table, find θ at $x = 43$ and $x = 84$.

x :	40	50	60	70	80	90
θ :	184	204	226	250	276	304

Soln:

x	θ	$\Delta\theta$	$\Delta^2\theta$	$\Delta^3\theta$
40	184			
50	204	20		
60	226	22	2	0
70	250	24	2	0
80	276	26	2	0
90	304	28	2	0

Here $h = 10$.

To find $x = 43$, let us use Newton's forward difference formula.



$$\theta(x) = \theta_0 + p \Delta \theta_0 + \frac{p(p-1)}{2} \Delta^2 \theta_0 + \dots$$

$$\text{where } p = \frac{x - x_0}{h} = \frac{43 - 40}{10} = 0.3$$

$$\boxed{p = 0.3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(43) &= 184 + (0.3)(20) + \frac{(0.3)(-0.7)(2)}{2} \\ &= 184 + 6 - 0.21 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\theta(43) = 189.79}$$

To find $x = 84$, let us use Newton's Backward difference formula.

$$\theta(x) = \theta_n + \alpha \nabla \theta_n + \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{2!} \nabla^2 \theta_n + \dots$$

$$\text{where } \alpha = \frac{x - x_n}{h} = \frac{84 - 90}{10} = \frac{-6}{10} = -0.6$$

$$\boxed{\alpha = -0.6}$$

$$\therefore \theta(84) = 304 + (-0.6)(28) + \frac{(-0.6)(0.4)(2)}{2}$$

$$= 304 - 16.8 - 0.24$$

$$= 286.96$$

$$\boxed{\theta(84) = 286.96}$$