Ch 04-2 Numerical Differentiation II

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Outline

1. Application of the 3-Point and 5-Point Formulae
2. Numerical Approximations to Higher Derivatives

Example

Values for $f(x) = xe^x$ are given in the following table:

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Use all the applicable three-point and five-point formulas to approximate $f'(2.0)$.

Solution (1/4)

- The data in the table permit us to find four different three-point approximations. ▸ See 3-Point Endpoint & Midpoint Formulae

- We can use the endpoint formula with $h = 0.1$ or with $h = -0.1$, and

- we can use the midpoint formula with $h = 0.1$ or with $h = 0.2$.

Numerical Differentiation Formulae

Three-Point Endpoint Formula

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{2h}[-3f(x_0) + 4f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 + 2h)] + \frac{h^2}{3}f^{(3)}(\xi_0)$$

where ξ_0 lies between x_0 and $x_0 + 2h$.

Three-Point Midpoint Formula

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{2h}[f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 - h)] - \frac{h^2}{6}f^{(3)}(\xi_1)$$

where ξ_1 lies between $x_0 - h$ and $x_0 + h$.

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Numerical Differentiation: Application of the Formulae

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$$\frac{1}{0.2}[f(2.1) - f(1.9] = 5(17.148957 - 12.7703199) = 22.228790$$

and with $h = 0.2$ gives 22.414163.

Numerical Differentiation Formulae

Five-Point Midpoint Formula

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{12h}[f(x_0 - 2h) - 8f(x_0 - h) + 8f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 + 2h)]$$
$$+ \frac{h^4}{30}f^{(5)}(\xi)$$

where ξ lies between $x_0 - 2h$ and $x_0 + 2h$.

Five-Point Endpoint Formula

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{1}{12h}[-25f(x_0) + 48f(x_0 + h) - 36f(x_0 + 2h)$$
$$+ 16f(x_0 + 3h) - 3f(x_0 + 4h)] + \frac{h^4}{5}f^{(5)}(\xi)$$

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If we had no other information, we would accept the five-point midpoint approximation using $h = 0.1$ as the most accurate, and expect the true value to be between that approximation and the three-point mid-point approximation, that is in the interval $[22.166, 22.229]$.

Solution (4/4)

The true value in this case is $f'(2.0) = (2+1)e^2 = 22.167168$, so the approximation errors are actually:

Method	h	Approximation Error
Three-point endpoint	0.1	1.35×10^{-1}
Three-point endpoint	−0.1	1.13×10^{-1}
Three-point midpoint	0.2	-2.47×10^{-1}
Three-point midpoint	0.1	-6.16×10^{-2}
Five-point midpoint	0.1	1.69×10^{-4}

Numerical Approximations to Higher Derivatives

Illustrative Method of Construction

Expand a function f in a third Taylor polynomial about a point x_0 and evaluate at $x_0 + h$ and $x_0 - h$. Then

$$f(x_0 + h) = f(x_0) + f'(x_0)h + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_0)h^2 + \frac{1}{6}f'''(x_0)h^3 + \frac{1}{24}f^{(4)}(\xi_1)h^4$$

and

$$f(x_0 - h) = f(x_0) - f'(x_0)h + \frac{1}{2}f''(x_0)h^2 - \frac{1}{6}f'''(x_0)h^3 + \frac{1}{24}f^{(4)}(\xi_{-1})h^4$$

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Illustrative Method of Construction (Cont'd)

If we add these equations, the terms involving $f'(x_0)$ and $-f'(x_0)$ cancel, so

$$f(x_0 + h) + f(x_0 - h) = 2f(x_0) + f''(x_0)h^2 + \frac{1}{24}[f^{(4)}(\xi_1) + f^{(4)}(\xi_{-1})]h^4$$

Solving this equation for $f''(x_0)$ gives

$$f''(x_0) = \frac{1}{h^2}[f(x_0 - h) - 2f(x_0) + f(x_0 + h)] - \frac{h^2}{24}[f^{(4)}(\xi_1) + f^{(4)}(\xi_{-1})]$$

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Suppose $f^{(4)}$ is continuous on $[x_0 - h, x_0 + h]$. Since $\frac{1}{2}[f^{(4)}(\xi_1) + f^{(4)}(\xi_{-1})]$ is between $f^{(4)}(\xi_1)$ and $f^{(4)}(\xi_{-1})$, the Intermediate Value Theorem ▸ Theorem implies that a number ξ exists between ξ_1 and ξ_{-1}, and hence in $(x_0 - h, x_0 + h)$, with

$$f^{(4)}(\xi) = \frac{1}{2}\left[f^{(4)}(\xi_1) + f^{(4)}(\xi_{-1})\right]$$

This permits us to rewrite the formula in its final form:

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Second Derivative Midpoint Formula

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for some ξ, where $x_0 - h < \xi < x_0 + h$.

Note: If $f^{(4)}$ is continuous on $[x_0 - h, x_0 + h]$, then it is also bounded, and the approximation is $O(h^2)$.

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Use the second derivative midpoint formula ▸ Formula approximate $f'(2.0)$.

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The exact value is $f''(2.0) = 29.556224$. Hence the actual errors are -3.70×10^{-2} and -1.48×10^{-1}, respectively.