

Bisection Algorithm 2.1

- Step 1 $i = 1$
- " 2 While $i \leq N_0$ Do steps 3-6 N_0 : Max. iteration N_0 .
- " 3 $P = a + (b-a)/2$
- " 4 If $f(P) = 0$ or $(b-a)/2 < \text{Tol.}$ then
Output (P)
Stop
- " 5 $i = i + 1$
- " 6 If $f(a)f(P) > 0$ then $a = P$
else $b = P$
- " 7 Output, 'Method failed after N_0 iterations'
Stop

Some other stopping procedures:

$$|P_n - P_{n-1}| < \epsilon$$

$$\frac{|P_n - P_{n-1}|}{|P_n|} < \epsilon \quad P_n \neq 0$$

$$|f(P_n)| < \epsilon$$

Difficulties:

i) $|P_n - P_{n-1}| \ll \epsilon$ but $f(P_n) = \text{large}$



ii) $f(P_n) \rightarrow \epsilon$ but $|P_n - P_{n-1}| = \text{large}$



Without additional knowledge about f or p
 using the relative error for stopping criterion is best way.

Ex. $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 10$ has a root in $[1, 2]$

$$f(1) = -5, \quad f(2) = 14$$

n	a_n	b_n	P_n	$f(P_n)$
1	1.0	2.0	1.5	2.375
...				
9	1.36328125	1.3671875	1.365234375	0.000072
...				
13	1.364990735	1.365234375	1.365112305	-0.00194

Theorem 2.1

Let $f \in C([a, b])$ and $f(a) \cdot f(b) < 0$

The Bisection method generates a sequence $\{P_n\}$, approximating p with the property:

$$|P_n - p| \leq \frac{b-a}{2^n} \quad n \geq 1$$

Acc. to Def. 1.17, this inequality implies that $\{P_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ converges to P , and is bounded by a sequence that converges to zero with $O(\frac{1}{2^n})$ rate of convergence.

In the last example:

$$|P - P_9| \leq \frac{2^{-1}}{2^9} \approx 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$|P - P_9| \approx 4.4 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$|P - P_{13}| \leq \frac{2^{-1}}{2^{13}} \approx 1.22 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$|P - P_{13}| \approx 1.18 \times 10^{-4}$$

↑
Bound of errors

↑
actual errors
(using their values)

Ex.

$N = ?$ Number of iterations to solve $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$ with the accuracy $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$, using $a_1 = 1$, $b_1 = 2$.

$$|P_N - P| \leq \frac{b-a}{2^N} = \frac{2-1}{2^N} < 10^{-5}$$

$$\log_{10} 2^{-N} < \log_{10} 10^{-5} = -5 \quad -N \log_{10} 2 < -5$$

$$N > \frac{5}{\log_{10} 2} \approx 16.6$$

$$N = 17$$

2.2 Fixed-Point Iteration

$$g(x) = x \quad (\text{e.g. } x = \sqrt{x^2 - x + 1})$$

A sol. to such an eqn. is said to be a fixed point of the func. g (Def.).

If a fixed point is found for any given g

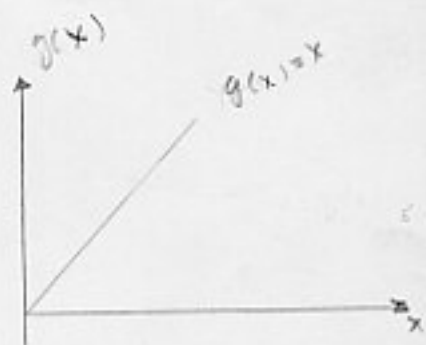
→ every root-finding prob. could also be solved.

For example: $f(x) = 0$ has sols., that corresponds to the fixed points of $g(x) = x$ when $g(x) = x - f(x)$.

Ex.

a) $g(x) = x$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$, has a fixed point at each x in $[0, 1]$.

Remark $\begin{cases} y = g(x) \\ y = x \end{cases} \xrightarrow{\text{solve}} \text{Fixed Point} \rightarrow \begin{cases} y = x \\ y = x \end{cases}$



b) $g(x) = x - \sin x$ has exactly

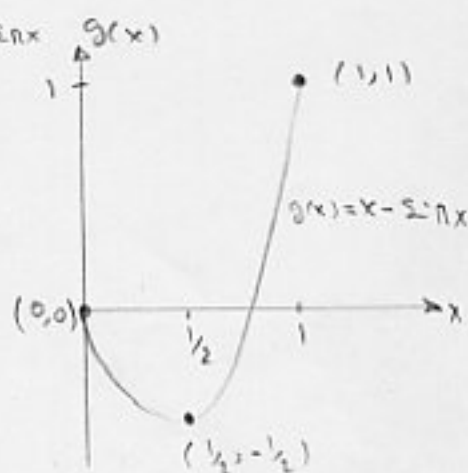
two fixed point in $[0, 1]$ → $\begin{cases} y = x - \sin x \\ y = x \end{cases}$

$$x = 0, x = 1$$

$$\text{At } x = 0, x = 1 \quad g \rightarrow g = x$$

$$\text{i.e. } g(0) = 0$$

$$g(1) = 1$$



Theorem 2.2

If $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b] \quad \forall$ all $x \in [a, b]$

$\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$ \exists a fixed point for g in $[a, b]$

Further, suppose $g'(x)$ exists on (a, b)

and a positive const. $K < 1$ exists with

$$|g'(x)| \leq K < 1 \quad \forall \text{ all } x \in (a, b)$$

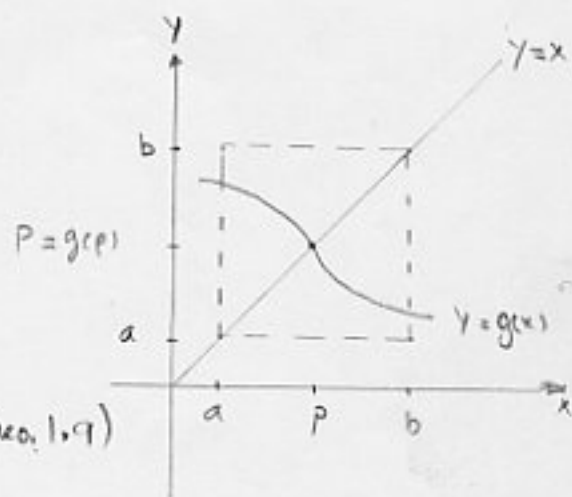
$\xrightarrow{\text{then}}$ g has a unique fixed point P in $[a, b]$

Ex.

Let $g(x) = (x^2 - 1)/3$ on $[-1, 1]$

Abs Min of g at $x = 0 \rightarrow g(0) = -\frac{1}{3}$ (Theo. 1.9)

Abs Max " " " $x = \pm 1 \rightarrow g(\pm 1) = 0$



Moreover g : continuous and $|g'(x)| = \left| \frac{2x}{3} \right| \leq \frac{2}{3} \quad \forall x \in [-1, 1]$

So g satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 2.2 and has a unique fixed point in $[-1, 1]$.

Fixed point = ?

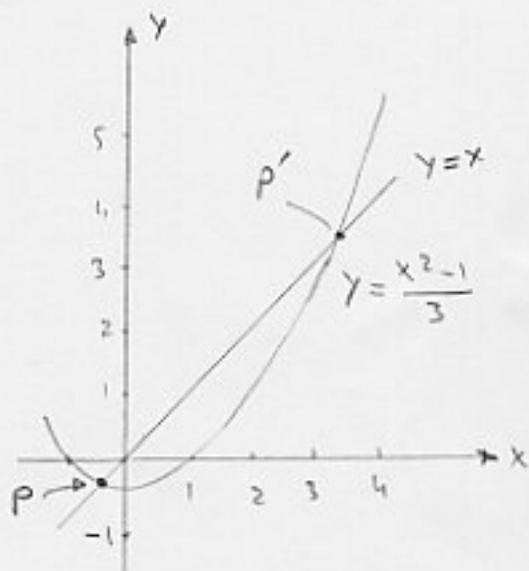
$$P = g(P) = \frac{P^2 - 1}{3} \rightarrow P^2 - 3P - 1 = 0 \quad P = \frac{3 - \sqrt{13}}{2}$$

Note that: $p' = \frac{3 + \sqrt{3}}{2}$

for interval $[3, 4]$

$$\begin{cases} g(4) = 5 \notin [3, 4] \\ g'(4) = \frac{8}{3} > 1 \end{cases}$$

\rightarrow g does not satisfy the hypotheses of Theorem 2.2



This shows \rightarrow The hypotheses of Theorem 2.2 are sufficient to guarantee a unique fixed point but are not necessary.

Ex. $g(x) = 3^{-x}$

Since $g'(x) = -3^{-x} \ln 3 < 0$ on $[0, 1]$ \rightarrow g is decreasing on $[0, 1]$

Hence $g(1) = \frac{1}{3} \leq g(x) \leq 1 = g(0)$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1$

Thus $\forall x \in [0, 1], g(x) \in [0, 1]$

Therefore g has a fixed point in $[0, 1]$

But,

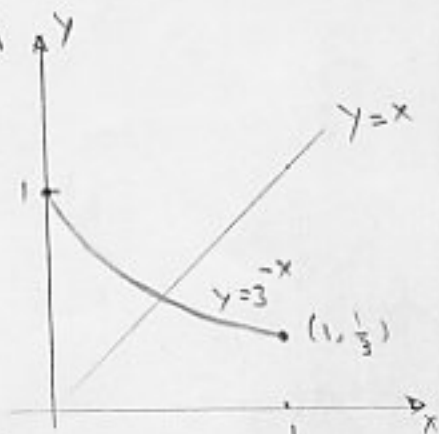
Since, $g'(0) = -\ln 3 = -1.048612289$

$g'(0.05) = -3^{-0.05} \ln 3 = -1.0398924$

$|g'(x)| \not\leq 1$ on $[0, 1]$

and Theorem 2.2 cannot be used to determine uniqueness.

However g is decreasing \rightarrow fixed point must be unique.



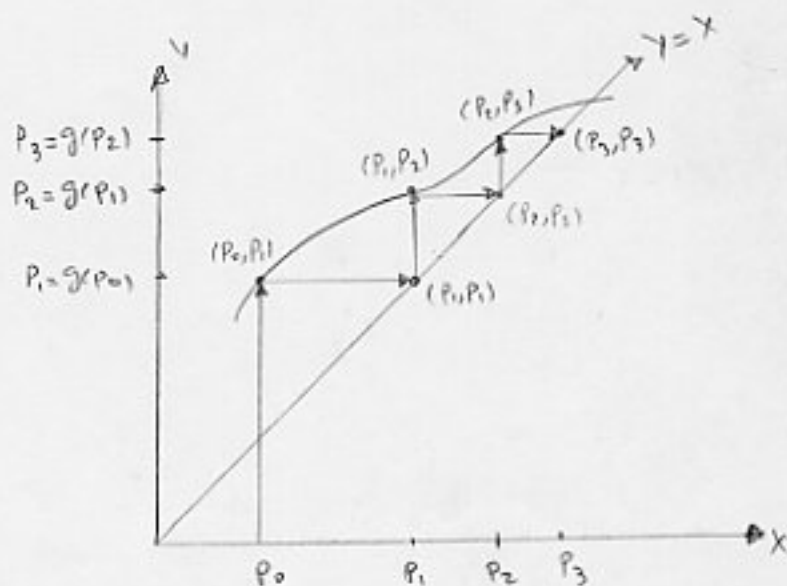
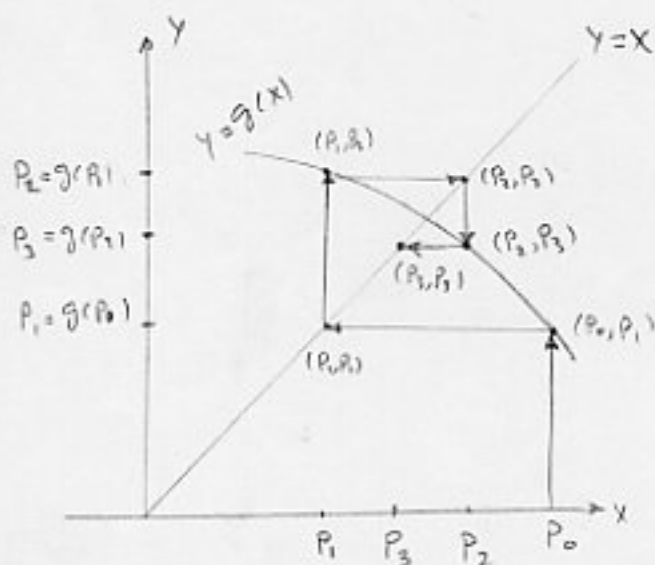
Approximation of the fixed-point of a func. g :

- 1) choose P_0 : initial value
- 2) Generate $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ by letting $P_n = g(P_{n-1})$
- 3) If $\begin{cases} 1 - \text{Sequence converges to } p \\ 2 - g \text{ continuous} \end{cases}$ $n \geq 1$

by Theo 1.4 $\rightarrow P = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(P_{n-1}) = g(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{n-1}) = g(P)$

and a sol. to $x = g(x)$ is obtained.

This technique is called fixed-point or functional iteration.



Fixed Point Algorithm: 2.2

- S1 $i = 1$
- S2 while $i \leq N_0$ do steps 3-6 N₀: number of iterations
- S3 $P = g(P_0)$
- S4 If $|P - P_0| < \text{Tol.}$ then
Output P
stop
- S5 $i = i + 1$
- S6 $P_0 = P$
- S7 Output 'Method failed after N₀ iterations'
stop

Ex. The eqn $x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$ has a unique root in $[1, 2]$.

There are many ways to change the eqn $\xrightarrow{\text{to the form}} x = g(x)$

a) $g(x) = x$ $g(x) = x - f(x)$ ($f(x) = 0$)

$$x = g_1(x) = x - x^3 - 4x^2 + 10$$

b) $x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0 \rightarrow x^2 = \frac{10}{x} - 4x$

$$x = g_2(x) = \left(\frac{10}{x} - 4x\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$c) \quad x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0 \rightarrow x^2 = \frac{1}{4}(10 - x^3)$$

$$x = \pm \frac{1}{2}(10 - x^3)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x = g_3(x) = \frac{1}{2}(10 - x^3)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (\text{Positive sol.})$$

$$d) \quad x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0 \rightarrow x^2 = \frac{10}{4+x}$$

$$x = g_4(x) = \left(\frac{10}{4+x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$e) \quad x = g_5(x) = x - \frac{x^3 - 4x^2 - 10}{\underbrace{3x^2 + 8x}_{f'}} \quad (\text{because } f' \neq 0)$$

with $p_0 = 1.5$

n	a	b	c	d	e
0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
1	-0.875	0.8165			
2	6.732	7.9969			
3	-469.7	$(-8.65)^{\frac{1}{2}}$			
4	1.03×10^8				
5					1.365230013
15					1.365230013
30					1.365230013

So, we need a criterion for g : $\begin{cases} 1 - \text{to converge to a sol. of } x = g(x) \\ 2 - \text{to converge as rapid as possible} \end{cases}$

Theorem 2.3

Let $g \in C[a, b]$ and suppose $g(x) \in [a, b] \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$.

Further, suppose g' exists on (a, b)

with $|g'(x)| \leq K < 1 \quad \forall x \in (a, b)$

If P_0 is any number in $[a, b]$, the sequence defined by

$$P_n = g(P_{n-1}) \quad n \geq 1$$

Converges to unique point $P \in [a, b]$

(\uparrow
difference with)
Theo. 2.2

Corollary 2.4

If g satisfies the hypothesis of Theo. 2.3, a bound for the error involved in using P_n to approximate P is given by:

$$|P_n - P| \leq K^n \cdot \text{Max}\{P_0 - a, b - P_0\}$$

Corollary 2.5

If g satisfies the hypothesis of Theo. 2.3, then

$$|P_n - P| \leq \frac{K^n}{1-K} |P_0 - P| \quad n \geq 1$$

Result:

Both corollaries show:

smaller $K \rightarrow$ faster convergence.

Ex.

$$a) g_1(x) = x - x^3 - 4x^2 + 10 \quad \rightarrow \quad g_1'(x) = 1 - 3x^2 - 8x$$

$|g_1'(x)| < 1$ for no interval $[a, b]$ containing P

Although Theor. 2.3 does not guarantee that the method must fail for this choice of g , there is no reason to expect convergence.

$$b) g_2(x) = \left(\frac{10}{x} - 4x\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

g_2 , does not map $[1, 2]$ $\xrightarrow{\text{into}}$ $[1, 2]$

$\rightarrow \{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is not defined with $P_2 = 1.5$ ($P_1 = 0.816 \dots$)
out of range

Moreover; $|g_2'(x)| < 1$ for no interval
(since $|g_2'(P)| \approx 3.4$)
 \downarrow
 $\downarrow_{1.5} \approx 5.17$

$$c) g_3(x) = \frac{1}{2}(10 - x^3)^{1/2}$$

$$g'_3(x) = -\frac{3}{4}x^2(10 - x^3)^{-1/2} < 0 \quad \text{on } [1, 2]$$

→ g decreasing on $[1, 2]$

$$|g'_3(1.99)| \approx 2.0401441 \neq 1$$

However $|g'_3(2)| \approx 2.12 < 1$ on $[1, 2]$

Now if we consider $[1, 1.5]$:

$$\text{still } g'_3(x) < 0 \quad \text{on } [1, 1.5]$$

$$\text{but } 1 < 1.28 \approx g_3(1.5) \leq g_3(x) \leq g_3(1) = 1.5$$

$$\forall x \in [1, 1.5]$$

Then

$$g_3 \text{ maps } [1, 1.5] \xrightarrow{\text{into}} [1, 1.5]$$

$$\text{Since also } |g'_3(x)| \leq |g'_3(1.5)| \approx 0.66 \text{ on } [1, 1.5]$$

→ Theo. 2.3 confirms the convergence.

$$d) g_4(x) = \left(\frac{10}{4+x}\right)^{1/2}$$

$$|g'_4(x)| = \left| \frac{-5}{\sqrt{10}(4+x)^{3/2}} \right| \leq \frac{5}{\sqrt{10}(5)^{3/2}} < 0.15 \quad \forall x \in [1, 2]$$

→ Since the bound on $|g'_4(x)|$ is much smaller than the bound on $|g'_3(x)|$ → g_4 gives more rapid convergence.

2.3) The Newton-Raphson Method:

One of the most powerful methods for solving $f(x)=0$

Suppose f is twice continuously differentiable on the interval $[a,b]$ (i.e. $f \in C^2[a,b]$).

Let $\bar{x} \in [a,b]$: an approx. to P such that $f'(\bar{x}) \neq 0$ and $|\bar{x}-P| = \text{small}$

First Taylor polynomial expansion about \bar{x} :

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

where $\xi(x)$: between x and \bar{x}

Since $f(P)=0$

$$\rightarrow 0 = f(\bar{x}) + (P-\bar{x})f'(\bar{x}) + \frac{(P-\bar{x})^2}{2}f''(\xi(P))$$

Newton's method is derived by assuming that $|P-\bar{x}| = \text{small}$

$$\rightarrow (P-\bar{x})^2 \approx 0$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \approx f(\bar{x}) + (P-\bar{x})f'(\bar{x})$$

$$\rightarrow P \approx \bar{x} - \frac{f(\bar{x})}{f'(\bar{x})}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Remark:} \\ y_0 = ax_0 + b \rightarrow b = y_0 - ax_0 \\ y = ax + b \quad y = ax + (y_0 - ax_0) \\ y = 0 \rightarrow x_1 = x_0 - \frac{y_0}{a} \end{array} \right.$$

This sets the stage for the Newton method, which starts with initial approximation P_0 and generates the sequence $\{P_n\}$, defined by

$$P_n = P_{n-1} - \frac{f(P_{n-1})}{f'(P_{n-1})} \quad n \geq 1$$

Newton-Raphson Algorithm 2.3

S1 $i = 1$

S2 While $i \leq N_0$ do steps 3-6

S3 $P = P_0 - \frac{f(P_0)}{f'(P_0)}$

S4 If $|P - P_0| < \text{Tol}$, then

Output (P)

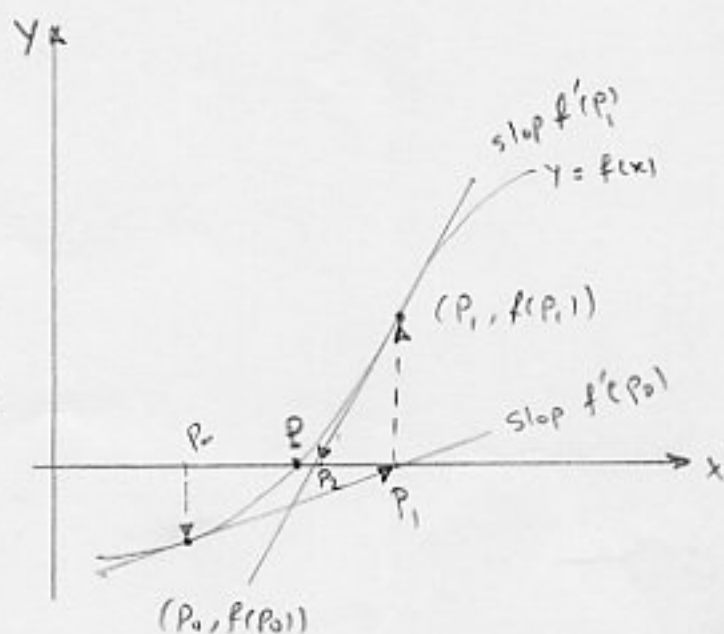
Stop

S5 $i = i + 1$

S6 $P_0 = P$

S7 Output 'Method failed after N_0 iterations'

stop



Newton's method is a functional iteration technique of the form $P_n = g(P_{n-1})$

$$g(P_{n-1}) = P_{n-1} - \frac{f(P_{n-1})}{f'(P_{n-1})} \quad n \geq 1$$

Newton's method cannot be continued if ;

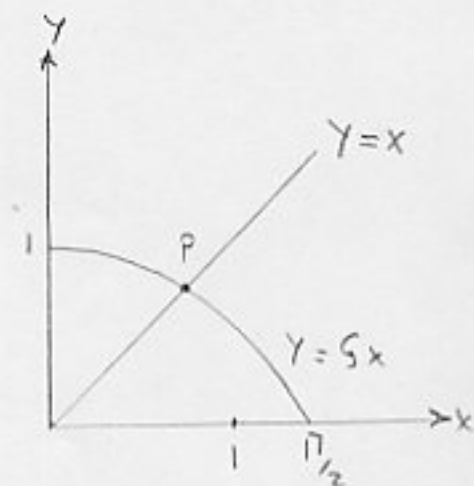
$$f'(P_{n-1}) = 0 \text{ for some } n$$

Ex. $x = \cos x$

Let, $f(x) = \cos x - x \rightarrow f(\pi/2) = -\frac{\pi}{2} < 0 < 1 = f(0)$

Theo. 1.12 \rightarrow there exists a zero of f in $[0, \pi/2]$

The intersection of $y = x$ and $y = \cos x$ is fixed point of $g(x) = \cos x$



P: fixed point

From the graph $\rightarrow f(x) = 0$ has

a unique sol. in $[0, \pi/2]$

Newton's method has the form:

$$P_n = P_{n-1} - \frac{\cos(P_{n-1}) - P_{n-1}}{-\sin(P_{n-1}) - 1} \quad n \geq 1$$

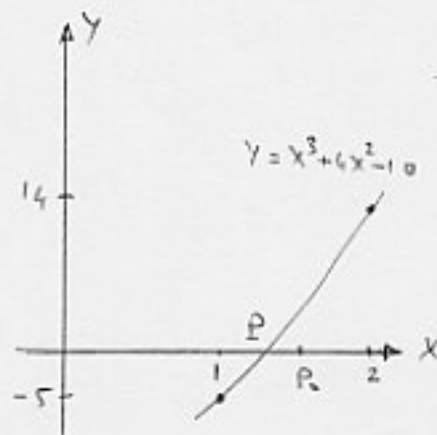
We have to choose a good initial point P_0

From the graph $\rightarrow P_0 = \frac{\pi}{4}$

n	P_n
0	0.7853981635
1	0.7395361337
2	0.7390851781
3	0.7390851332
4	0.7390851332

$F = x$

To obtain the unique sol. to $x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$
on the interval $[1, 2]$, by Newton's method,
generate the sequence $\{P_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ by



$$P_n = P_{n-1} - \frac{(P_{n-1})^3 + 4(P_{n-1})^2 - 10}{3(P_{n-1})^2 + 8(P_{n-1})} \quad n \geq 1$$

From the Fig. $\longrightarrow P_0 = 1.5$

n	P_n
0	1.5
1	1.373333333
2	1.365262015
3	1.365230014
4	1.365230013

In Newton's method the initial point P_0 must be close
to the actual root (remember $(P - \bar{x}) \approx 0$ assumption).

If it is not, the method may not converge to the
root (but this is not always the case)

Theo. 2.6 (Convergence theo. for Newton's method)

Let $f \in C^2[a, b]$

If $P \in [a, b]$ such that $f(P) = 0$ and $f'(P) \neq 0$

$\rightarrow \exists \delta > 0$ such that Newton's method generates
 a sequence $\{P_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{converging to}} P$
 \forall any initial $P_0 \in [P-\delta, P+\delta]$

Secant Method:

Sometimes it is tiresome to evaluate the $f'(x)$.

To circumvent the problem;

$$f'(P_{n-1}) = \lim_{x \rightarrow P_{n-1}} \frac{f(x) - f(P_{n-1})}{x - P_{n-1}}$$

letting $x = P_{n-2} \rightarrow f'(P_{n-1}) \approx \frac{f(P_{n-2}) - f(P_{n-1})}{P_{n-2} - P_{n-1}}$

$$\rightarrow f'(P_{n-1}) \approx \frac{f(P_{n-1}) - f(P_{n-2})}{P_{n-1} - P_{n-2}}$$

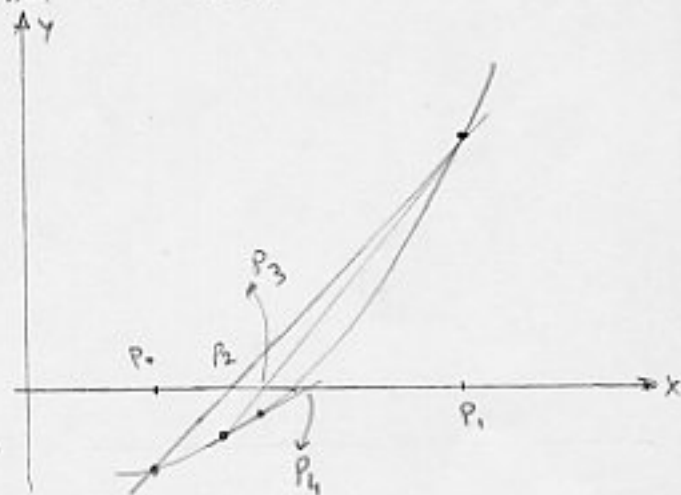
Using this approx. in Newton's method:

$$P_n = P_{n-1} - \frac{f(P_{n-1})(P_{n-1} - P_{n-2})}{f(P_{n-1}) - f(P_{n-2})} \quad n \geq 2$$

Intersection of $P_0 P_1$ with $y=0 \rightarrow P_2$

" " $P_1 P_2$ " " $\rightarrow P_3$

" " $P_2 P_3$ " " $\rightarrow P_4$



Remark:

$$\begin{cases} y = ax + b \\ \{(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1)\} \text{ given points} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} \\ b = y_0 - \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} x_0 \end{cases}$$

$$y = \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} x + (y_0 - \frac{y_1 - y_0}{x_1 - x_0} x_0)$$

$$y = 0 \rightarrow x = x_0 - \frac{y_0(x_1 - x_0)}{y_1 - y_0}$$

Secant Algorithm 2.4

- S1 $i = 2$
 $q_0 = f(P_0)$
 $q_1 = f(P_1)$
- S2 While $i \leq N$, do Steps 3-6
- S3 $P = P_i - \frac{q_i(P_i - P_0)}{q_i - q_0}$
- S4 If $|P - P_i| \leq \text{Tol}$, then
 Output (P)
 Stop
- S5 $i = i + 1$
- S6 $P_0 = P_i$, $q_0 = q_i$
 $P_i = P$, $q_i = f(P)$
- S7 Output 'Method failed after N_0 iteration'
 Stop

Ex. Find a zero of $f(x) = \cos x - x$, using the Secant method.

We choose $P_0 = 0.5$, $P_1 = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$P_n = P_{n-1} - \frac{(P_{n-1} - P_{n-2})(\cos(P_{n-1}) - P_{n-1})}{(\cos(P_{n-1}) - P_{n-1}) - (\cos(P_{n-2}) - P_{n-2})} \quad n \geq 2$$

Note: The Secant method is often used to refine an answer obtained by another technique.

n	P_n
0	0.5
1	0.7853981635
2	0.7363841390
3	0.7390581394
4	0.7390851492
5	0.7390851334

2.4 Error Analysis for Iterative Methods:

Def 2.7

Suppose $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence $\xrightarrow{\text{converging to}} P$

and $e_n = P_n - P \quad \forall n \geq 0$

If $\lambda > 0$ and $\alpha > 0$ (const.) exist with

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|P_{n+1} - P|}{|P_n - P|^\alpha} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|e_{n+1}|}{|e_n|^\alpha} = \lambda$$

then $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is said to converge to P of order α , with asymptotic error const. λ .

An iterative technique of the form $P_n = g(P_{n-1})$ is said to be of order α if the sequence $\{P_n\} \xrightarrow{\text{converges to}} P = g(P)$ sol., of order α

In general;

A sequence with high order of convergence $\xrightarrow{\text{converges}}$ more rapidly than a sequence with lower order.

1. If $\alpha = 1$, the method is called linear.

2. $\alpha = 2$ " " " " quadratic.

Theo. 2.8

Let $g \in C[a, b]$ and suppose that: $g(x) \in [a, b] \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$.

Further, suppose g' : continuous on (a, b) with:

$$|g'(x)| \leq k < 1 \quad \forall x \in (a, b)$$

If $g'(p) \neq 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\text{then}} \quad \forall p_0 \text{ in } [a, b]$

the sequence $p_n = g(p_{n-1}) \quad n \geq 1$ converges, only linearly
to the unique fixed point p in $[a, b]$

This Theo. implies that:

Higher order convergence for fixed point methods can occur only when $g'(p) = 0$.

Ex

Suppose two convergent iterative schemes are described by:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|e_{n+1}|}{|e_n|} = 0.75 \quad \text{linear}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\tilde{e}_{n+1}|}{|\tilde{e}_n|^2} = 0.75 \quad \text{quadratic}$$

Suppose also for simplicity;

$$\frac{|e_{n+1}|}{|e_n|} \approx 0.75 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{|\tilde{e}_{n+1}|}{|\tilde{e}_n|^2} \approx 0.75$$

For the first one;

$$|e_n| \approx 0.75 |e_{n-1}| \approx (0.75)^2 |e_{n-2}| \approx \dots \approx (0.75)^n |e_0|$$

While for the second one;

$$\begin{aligned} |\tilde{e}_n| &\approx 0.75 |\tilde{e}_{n-1}|^2 \approx (0.75) [(0.75) |\tilde{e}_{n-2}|^2]^2 \approx (0.75)^3 [(0.75) |\tilde{e}_{n-3}|^2]^4 \\ &\approx \dots \approx (0.75)^{2^n - 1} |\tilde{e}_0|^{2^n} \end{aligned}$$

To compare the speed of convergence, assume $|e_0| = |\tilde{e}_0| = 0.5$

$n_{\min} = ?$ to obtain an error $\leq 10^{-8}$

$$|e_n| = (0.75)^n (0.5) \leq 10^{-8} \rightarrow n \geq \frac{\log_{10} 2 - 8}{\log_{10} 0.75} \approx 62$$

$$|\tilde{e}_n| = (0.75)^{2^n - 1} (0.5)^{2^n}$$

$$|\tilde{e}_n| = (0.75)^{-1} (0.375)^{2^n} \leq 10^{-8}$$

$$2^n \geq \frac{\log_{10} 0.75 - 8}{\log_{10} 0.375} \approx 10 \quad \underline{n \geq 5}$$

Theo. 2.9

Let P be a sol. of $x = g(x)$,

suppose $g'(P) = 0$ and $g'' : \begin{cases} 1. \text{ Continuous} \\ 2. \text{ Strictly bounded by } M \text{ on} \\ \text{an open interval } I \text{ containing } P. \end{cases}$
(e.g. $x = x^2$)

Then $\exists \delta > 0$ such that for $P_0 \in [P - \delta, P + \delta]$

The sequence $P_n = g(P_{n-1})$ ($n \geq 1$) $\xrightarrow{\text{Converges}}$ at least quadratically to P .

Moreover, for sufficiently large n

$$|P_{n+1} - P| \leq \left(\frac{M}{2}\right) |P_n - P|^2$$

Solving $f(x) = 0$ (by the use of mentioned Theo.) :

Suppose P : a sol. of $f(x) = 0$

and $f'(P) \neq 0$

Consider the fixed point scheme

$$P_n = g(P_{n-1}) \quad n \geq 1$$

with g of the form:

$$g(x) = x - \varphi(x) f(x)$$

φ : arbitrary func. to be chosen later;

If $\varphi(x)$ is bounded $\xrightarrow{\text{Then}}$ $g(p) = p - \varphi(p)f(p)$ (bounded \circ
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$)
and for the iterative procedure derived from g to be quadratically
convergent $\xrightarrow{\text{it suffices}}$ $g'(p) = 0$

But $g'(x) = 1 - \varphi'(x)f(x) - f'(x)\varphi(x)$

and $g'(p) = 1 - f'(p)\varphi(p)$ ($f(p) = 0$)

$\xrightarrow{\text{consequently}}$ $g'(p) = 0$ if and only if $\varphi(p) = \frac{1}{f'(p)}$

In particular, quadratic convergence holds for the scheme

$$P_n = g(P_{n-1}) = P_{n-1} - \left(\frac{1}{f'(P_{n-1})}\right) f(P_{n-1})$$

$$\left(g(x) = x - \varphi(x)f(x) \right) \text{ compare}$$

under suitable conds. on f

However, p and consequently $f'(p)$ are unknown.

A reasonable approach:

$$\text{if } \varphi(x) = \frac{1}{f'(x)} \xrightarrow{\text{gaurantees}} \varphi(p) = \frac{1}{f'(p)}$$

$$P_n = g(P_{n-1}) = P_{n-1} - \frac{f(P_{n-1})}{f'(P_{n-1})}$$

This is just Newton's method.

Conclusion: Newton's method converges to P rapidly.

In the preceding discussion we had the restriction of:

$$f'(P) \neq 0 \quad \text{where } P: \text{ sol. of } f(x) = 0$$

Difficulties might occur if $\begin{cases} f'(P_n) \rightarrow 0 \\ f(P_n) \rightarrow 0 \end{cases}$ simultaneously
(from the def. of Newton's method)

Newton's and secant methods generally give problems
if $f'(P) = 0$ when $f(P) = 0$

Def 2.10

A sol. P of $f(x) = 0$ is said to be a zero of
multiplicity m of f if $f(x)$ can be written as

$$f(x) = (x-P)^m g(x) \quad \forall x \neq P \quad \text{where } \lim_{x \rightarrow P} g(x) \neq 0$$

Theo. 2.11

$f \in C^1[a, b]$ has a simple zero at p in (a, b)
if and only if $f(p) = 0$, but $f'(p) \neq 0$

Theo. 2.12

The func. $f \in C^m[a, b]$ has a zero of multiplicity m at p
if and only if

$$0 = f(p) = f'(p) = \dots = f^{(m-1)}(p) \text{ but } f^{(m)}(p) \neq 0$$

Conclusion:

The result in Theo. 2.11 implies that an interval about p
exists, such that Newton's method converges quadratically
to p for any initial approximation, provided that p is a
simple zero.

Ex.

This example shows that the quadratic convergence need not
occur if the zero is not simple.

$f(x) = e^x - x - 1$ has a Zero of multiplicity $m=2$ at $P=0$

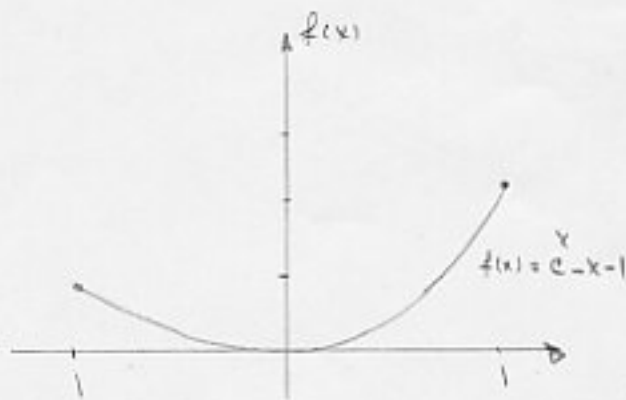
Reason:

$$f(0) = e^0 - 0 - 1 = 0, f'(0) = e^0 - 1 = 0 \text{ but } f''(0) = e^0 = 1$$

In fact $f(x)$ can be expressed:

$$f(x) = (x-0)^2 \frac{e^x - x - 1}{x^2}$$

by Hôpital's rule; $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - x - 1}{x^2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{2x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^x}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \neq 0$



n	P_n
0	1.
1	0.58193
2	0.31406
3	0.16800
⋮	
15	4.2610×10^{-5}
16	1.9142×10^{-5}

Remedy:

Not quadratically converges to Zero.

One method of handling the prob. of multiple root is to define a func. μ by:

$$\mu(x) = \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$$

If P is a root of multiplicity $m \geq 1$ and $f(x) = (x-P)^m q(x)$

then

$$\mu(x) = \frac{(x-P)^m q(x)}{m(x-P)^{m-1} q(x) + (x-P)^m q'(x)}$$

$$\mu(x) = \frac{(x-p)q(x)}{mq(x) + (x-p)q'(x)}$$

has a root at p , but of multiplicity one.

Newton's method can then be applied to the fac. $\mu(x)$, to give:

$$g(x) = x - \frac{\mu(x)}{\mu'(x)} = x - \frac{f(x)/f'(x)}{\{[f'(x)]^2 - [f(x)][f''(x)]\} / [f'(x)]^2}$$

$$g(x) = x - \frac{f(x)f'(x)}{[f'(x)]^2 - [f(x)][f''(x)]} \quad (\text{modified Newton's method})$$

If $g(x)$ has the required continuity condns.:

functional iteration applied to g , will be quadratically convergent, regardless of the multiplicity of the root of f .

Note: The denominator in $g(x)$ may cause round off errors (difference of two small numbers).

Ex.

$g(x)$ given above is used to find the double root at

$$x=0 \text{ of } f(x) = e^x - x - 1$$

with 10-digit precision. ($P_0 = 1$)

No improvement to the root approx. P_5 will occur, in the subsequent computation

Since both numerator and denominator approach zero.

n	P_n
1	-2.342106×10^{-1}
2	$-8.4582788 \times 10^{-3}$
...	...
5	$-2.8085217 \times 10^{-7}$

Ex

We found before the root of $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$, to be $P = 1.36523001$ (multiplicity one).

$$(i) \quad P_n = P_{n-1} - \frac{(P_{n-1})^3 + 4(P_{n-1})^2 - 10}{3(P_{n-1})^2 + 8(P_{n-1})} \quad \text{Newton's method}$$

$$(ii) \quad P_n = P_{n-1} - \frac{(P_{n-1}^3 + 4P_{n-1}^2 - 10)(3P_{n-1}^2 + 8P_{n-1})}{(3P_{n-1}^2 + 8P_{n-1})^2 - (P_{n-1}^3 + 4P_{n-1}^2 - 10)(6P_{n-1} + 8)}$$

P_n	(i)	(ii)
P_1	1.37333333	1.35689848
P_2	1.36526201	1.36519585
P_3	1.36523001	1.36523001

Modified Newton's method.

$$P_0 = 1.5$$

Both have the same convergence.

2.5 Accelerating Convergence:

Aitken's Δ^2 -method:

This method is used to accelerate the convergence of a sequence that is linearly convergent, regardless of its origin.

Suppose $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ is linearly convergent sequence with limit P ,

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|P_{n+1}-P|}{|P_n-P|} = \lambda < 1 \quad \lambda: \text{asymptotic error const.}$$

Now we form $\{\hat{P}_n\}$ that converges more rapidly to P than does $\{P_n\}$.

Assume the sign of $P_n - P$, $P_{n+1} - P$ and $P_{n+2} - P$ agree and n sufficiently large that;

$$\frac{P_{n+1}-P}{P_n-P} \approx \lambda \approx \frac{P_{n+2}-P}{P_{n+1}-P}$$

$$\rightarrow (P_{n+1}-P)^2 \approx (P_{n+2}-P)(P_n-P)$$

$$\text{So } P_{n+1}^2 - 2P_{n+1}P + P^2 \approx P_{n+2}P_n - (P_n + P_{n+2})P + P^2$$

$$\text{and } (P_{n+2} + P_n - 2P_{n+1})P \approx P_{n+2}P_n - P_{n+1}^2$$

$$\rightarrow P \approx \frac{P_{n+2}P_n - P_{n+1}^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \frac{P_n^2 + P_n P_{n+2} + 2P_n P_{n+1} - 2P_n P_{n+1} - P_n^2 - P_{n+1}^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n} \\
 &= \frac{(P_n^2 + P_n P_{n+2} - 2P_n P_{n+1}) - (P_n^2 - 2P_n P_{n+1} + P_{n+1}^2)}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n} \\
 &= P_n - \frac{(P_{n+1} - P_n)^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}
 \end{aligned}$$

Aitken's Δ^2 method is based on the assumption that the sequence $\{\hat{P}_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ defined by

$$\hat{P}_n = P_n - \frac{(P_{n+1} - P_n)^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

converges more rapidly than does the original sequence $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$.

Ex.

The sequence $\{P_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, where $P_n = \cos(\frac{1}{n})$, converges linearly to $P=1$. The first few terms of $\{P_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and $\{\hat{P}_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ are given below:

$$P_n = \cos\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$\hat{P}_n = \cos\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) - \frac{[\cos(\frac{1}{n+1}) - \cos(\frac{1}{n})]^2}{\cos(\frac{1}{n+2}) - 2\cos(\frac{1}{n+1}) + \cos(\frac{1}{n})}$$

n	P_n	\hat{P}_n
1	0.54030	0.96178
2	0.87758	0.98213
3	0.94496	0.98979
4	0.96891	0.99342
5	0.98007	0.99541
6	0.98614	
7	0.98981	

Def. 2.13

Given the sequ. $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$, define the following difference ΔP_n by

$$\Delta P_n = P_{n+1} - P_n \quad n \geq 0$$

Higher powers $\Delta^k P_n$ are defined recursively by

$$\Delta^k P_n = \Delta^{k-1} (\Delta P_n) \quad k \geq 2$$

Now:

$$\Delta^2 P_n = \Delta (P_{n+1} - P_n) = \Delta P_{n+1} + \Delta P_n = (P_{n+2} - P_{n+1}) - (P_{n+1} - P_n)$$

$$\Delta^2 P_n = P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n$$

$$\rightarrow \hat{P}_n = P_n - \frac{(\Delta P_n)^2}{\Delta^2 P_n} \quad n \geq 0$$

This is the origin of Δ^2 notation.

Theo. 2.14

Let $\{P_n\}$ be a sequ. that converges linearly to the limit P with asymptotic const. $\lambda < 1$ and $P_n - P \neq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 0$.

Then the sequ. $\{\hat{P}_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ converges to P faster than $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ in the sense that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\hat{P}_n - P}{P_n - P} = 0$$

- Steffensen's Method:

By applying a modified Aitken's Δ^2 method to a linearly convergent sequ. obtained from fixed-point iteration, we can accelerate the convergence to quadratic.

$$P_0, \quad P_1 = g(P_0), \quad P_2 = g(P_1), \quad \hat{P}_0 = \text{Aitken-}\Delta^2(P_0, P_1, P_2)$$
$$P_1' = g(\hat{P}_0), \quad P_2' = g(P_1'), \quad \hat{P}_0' = \text{Aitken-}\Delta^2(\hat{P}_0, P_1', P_2')$$
$$P_1'' = g(\hat{P}_0'), \dots$$

Note: Steffensen's method is slightly different from applying Aitken's Δ^2 method directly to linearly convergent fixed point iteration sequ.

Steffensen's Algorithm 2.5 (sol. of $P = g(P)$)

Input P_0

S1 $i = 1$

S2 while $i \leq N_0$ do steps 3-6

S3 $P_1 = g(P_0)$

$P_2 = g(P_1)$

$P = P_0 - (P_1 - P_0)^2 / (P_2 - 2P_1 + P_0)$

S4 If $|P - P_0| < \text{Tol.}$ then

Output (P)

stop

S5 $i = i + 1$

S6 $P_0 = P$

S7 Output 'Method failed after N_0 iterations'

Note: If $D^2 P_n = 0$ then we choose P_2 in the step $n-1$ as the answer.

Ex.

Solve. $x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$ by Steffensen's method:

$$g(x) = \left(\frac{10}{x+4} \right)^{1/2}$$

The $g(x) = x$ implies $x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$

This method gives the same convergence as Newton's method (quadratic)

k	$P_0^{(k)}$	$P_1^{(k)}$	$P_2^{(k)}$
0	1.5	1.368399725	1.367376372
1	1.365265224	1.365275534	1.365230583
2	1.365230013		

Theo. 2.15

Suppose that $x = g(x)$ has a sol. P with $g'(x) \neq 1$.

If there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $g \in C^3[P-\delta, P+\delta]$, then Steffensen's method gives quadratic convergence for any $P_0 \in [P-\delta, P+\delta]$.

2.6 Zeros of Polynomials and Müller's Method

$$P(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0 \quad \text{Polynomial of degree } n$$

$a_n \neq 0$

The zero func. $P(x) = 0$ for all values of x , is considered a polynomial but is assigned no degree.

Theo 2.16 (Fundamental Theo. of Algebra)

If P is a polynomial of deg. $n \geq 1$, then $P(x) = 0$ has at least one (possibly complex) root.

Corollary 2.17

If $P(x) = a_n x^n + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$ is a polynomial of deg. $n \geq 1$,

then \exists unique roots x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k , possibly complex and positive integers m_1, m_2, \dots, m_k

such that $\sum_{i=1}^k m_i = n$

$$\text{and } P(x) = a_n (x-x_1)^{m_1} (x-x_2)^{m_2} \dots (x-x_k)^{m_k}$$

This corollary states that:

- i) The zeros of a polynomial are unique and
- ii) if each zero x_i is counted as many times as its multiplicity m_i , a polynomial of deg. n has exactly n zeros.

Corollary 2.13

Let P and Q be polynomials of deg. at most n . If x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k , $k > n$, are distinct numbers with $P(x_i) = Q(x_i)$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ Then $P(x) = Q(x) \forall x$.

Theo 2.19 (Horner's Method)

Let $P(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$ and $b_n = a_n$

If $b_k = a_k + b_{k+1} x_0$ for $k = n-1, n-2, \dots, 1, 0$

Then $b_0 = P(x_0)$

Moreover, if $Q(x) = b_n x^{n-1} + b_{n-1} x^{n-2} + \dots + b_2 x + b_1$

Then $P(x) = (x - x_0) Q(x) + b_0$

Ex. Evaluate $P(x) = 2x^4 - 3x^2 + 3x - 4$ at $x_0 = -2$ using Horner's method.

$$b_n = a_n \rightarrow b_4 = 2 \quad b_k = a_k + b_{k+1} x_0$$

$$b_3 = 0 + 2(-2) = -4 \quad b_2 = -3 + (-4)(-2) = 5$$

$$b_1 = 3 + (5)(-2) = -7 \quad b_0 = -4 + (-7)(-2) = 10$$

Also since $P(x) = (x - x_0) Q(x) + b_0 \rightarrow b_0 = P(-2)$

$$P(x) = (x+2)(2x^3 - 4x^2 + 5x - 7) + 10$$

An additional advantage of using Horner's (or synthetic-division) Procedure is that, since,

$$P(x) = (x - x_0) Q(x) + b_0$$

$$\text{where } Q(x) = b_n x^{n-1} + b_{n-1} x^{n-2} + \dots + b_2 x + b_1$$

$$\rightarrow P'(x) = Q(x) + (x - x_0) Q'(x) \rightarrow P'(x_0) = Q(x_0)$$

Therefore, in Newton-Raphson method, since both $P(x)$ and $P'(x)$ are evaluated in each step, Horner's method is useful since it evaluates both $P(x)$ and $P'(x)$ in the same manner.

Note: We use Horner's method to evaluate a polynomial instead of directly putting x_0 in the polynomial because of computational efficiency (discussed in Section 1.2).

Horner's Algorithm; 2.6 (to evaluate $P(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$ derivative at x_0)

Input $x_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$

output $P(x_0) = P(x_0), PP(x_0) = P'(x_0)$

S1 $b(n) = a_n, \quad bP(n) = a_n$

S2 Do $k = n-1, 0$

$$b(k) = a_k + b(k+1) \times x_0$$

S3 $bP(k) = b(k) + bP(k+1) \times x_0$ (exclude $k=0$)

S4 $P(x_0) = b(0), \quad PP(x_0) = bP(0)$

output $(P(x_0), PP(x_0))$

Stop

Remark: $b(k)$: the coeffs. of $Q_1(x)$
 $bP(k)$: the coeffs. of $Q_2(x)$
 $P(x) = (x - x_0) Q_1(x) + b_0$
 $Q_1(x) = (x - x_0) Q_2(x) + bP(0)$

Finding the other roots: (Deflation Procedure)

Suppose we have found one of the roots, say x_1 , by Newton-Raphson method:

$$\text{Since } P(x) = (x - x_0) Q(x) + b_0$$

$P(x)$: Polynomial of
deg. n

$$\text{here } x_0 = x_1 \longrightarrow b_0 \approx 0$$

$$P(x) = (x - x_1) Q(x)$$

$Q(x)$: Polynomial of
deg. $n-1$

$$\text{let } Q(x) \equiv Q_1(x)$$

$$P(x) = (x - x_1) Q_1(x)$$

If $P(x)$ has n real roots, we can apply the method repeatedly and find $n-2$ approximate zeros, and an approximate quadratic factor $Q_{n-2}(x)$.

At this stage $Q_{n-2}(x) = 0$ can be solved by the quadratic formula.

Since this method depends on repeated approx., it leads to very inaccurate approxs.

i.e.

$$P(x) \approx (x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_k) Q_k(x)$$

An approximate zero x_{k+1} is the root of $Q_k(x)$, not $P(x)$.

One way to overcome this problem:

To consider x_i as an approximate sol., and improve it by applying the Newton-Raphson method to the original polynomial $P(x)$.

Note: The success of Newton's method often depends on obtaining a good initial approx.

The basic idea:

If $P(x_i)P(x_j) < 0 \implies P(x)$ has a zero between x_i and x_j

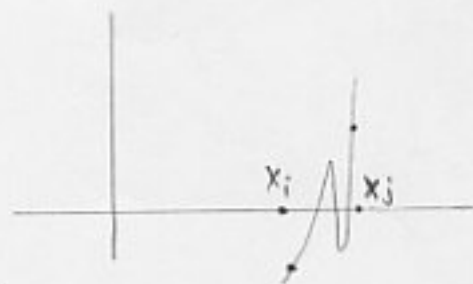
The prob. becomes a matter of choosing the interval so that the chance of missing a change of sign is minimized (Fig.)

Ex.

$$P(x) = 16x^4 - 40x^3 + 5x^2 + 20x + 6$$

It can be shown $P(x_i) > 0 \quad \forall x_i = \text{integer}$

\longrightarrow evaluating $P(x)$ at these points one can not find any interval containing zeros. However, $P(x)$ has real roots.



$x_j - x_i = \text{small}$
but still three roots
inside this interval

Theo. 2.20

If $z = a + bi$ is a complex zero of multiplicity m of the polynomial $P(x)$, ($P(x)$ with real coeffs.)

then $\bar{z} = a - bi$ is also a zero of multiplicity m of the polynomial $P(x)$ and $(x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + b^2)^m$ is a factor of $P(x)$.

$$(x - z)(x - \bar{z})$$

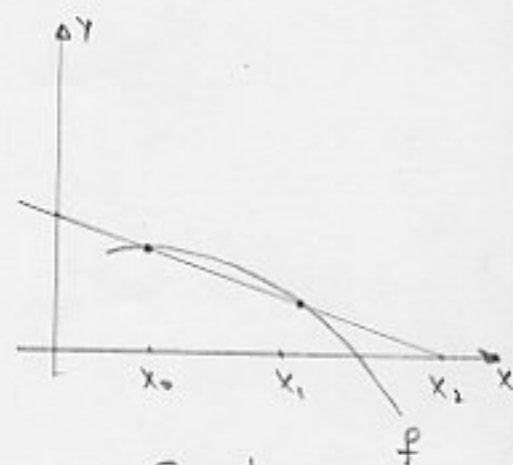
This method for finding complex roots will not be discussed here.

Müller's Method:

Müller's method is a generalization of Secant method

In Secant method:

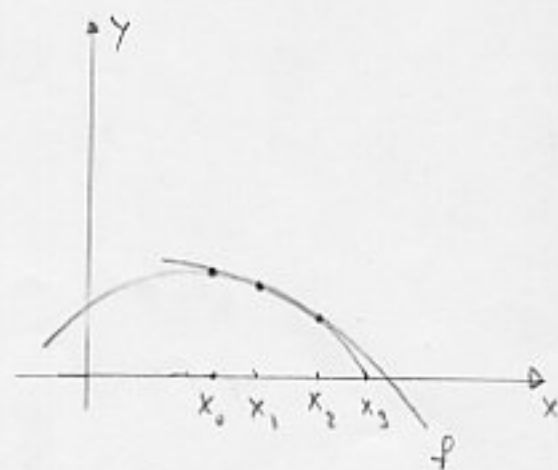
With x_0 and x_1 approx. $\rightarrow x_2$ is found by intersection of x -axis with the line through $(x_0, f(x_0))$ and $(x_1, f(x_1))$.



Secant method

In Müller's method:

With x_0, x_1 and x_2 approx. $\rightarrow x_3$ is found by intersection of x -axis with the parabola passing through $(x_0, f(x_0))$, $(x_1, f(x_1))$ and $(x_2, f(x_2))$.



Müller's method

$$P(x) = a(x-x_2)^2 + b(x-x_2) + c$$

This quadratic polynomial passes through $(x_0, f(x_0))$, $(x_1, f(x_1))$ and $(x_2, f(x_2))$.

$$f(x_0) = a(x_0 - x_2)^2 + b(x_0 - x_2) + c$$

$$f(x_1) = a(x_1 - x_2)^2 + b(x_1 - x_2) + c$$

$$f(x_2) = a(0)^2 + b(0) + c$$

$$\rightarrow c = f(x_2)$$

$$b = \frac{(x_0 - x_2)^2 [f(x_1) - f(x_2)] - (x_1 - x_2)^2 [f(x_0) - f(x_2)]}{(x_0 - x_2)(x_1 - x_2)(x_0 - x_1)}$$

$$a = \frac{(x_1 - x_2) [f(x_0) - f(x_2)] - (x_0 - x_2) [f(x_1) - f(x_2)]}{(x_0 - x_2)(x_1 - x_2)(x_0 - x_1)}$$

We use quadratic formula to find x_3 (the zero of $P(x)$);

$$x_3 - x_2 = \frac{-2c}{b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Remark:} \\ P(u) = au^2 + bu + c \\ u = x - x_2 \end{array} \right.$$

In Müller's method we choose the sign of radical to agree with the sign of b .

\rightarrow denominator large $\rightarrow x_3$ close to x_2

Now we repeat with the three values of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 to find x_4 and so, up to convergence.

Since at each step, the method involves the radical $\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}$, the method will approximate complex roots when it is appropriate.

Müller's Algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S1 \quad & h_1 = x_1 - x_0 \\
 & h_2 = x_2 - x_1 \\
 & \delta_1 = (f(x_1) - f(x_0)) / h_1 \\
 & \delta_2 = (f(x_2) - f(x_1)) / h_2 \\
 & d = (\delta_2 - \delta_1) / (h_2 + h_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Remark:

$$C \equiv f(x_2)$$

$$a \equiv d$$

$$b \equiv b$$

$$D \equiv \sqrt{\quad}$$

$$i = 2$$

S2 while $i \leq N_0$ do steps 3-7

$$\begin{aligned}
 S3 \quad & b = \delta_2 + h_2 d \\
 & D = (b^2 - 4 f(x_2) d)^{1/2} \quad (\text{May be complex arithmetic})
 \end{aligned}$$

S4 If $|b - D| < |b + D|$ then set $E = b + D$
else set $E = b - D$

$$S5 \quad h = -2 f(x_2) / E$$

$$P = x_2 + h$$

S6 If $|h| < \text{Tol}$ then
output (P)
stop

$$S7 \quad x_0 = x_1, \quad x_1 = x_2, \quad x_2 = P$$

$$h_1 = x_1 - x_0$$

$$h_2 = x_2 - x_1$$

$$\delta_1 = (f(x_1) - f(x_0)) / h_1$$

$$\delta_2 = (f(x_2) - f(x_1)) / h_2$$

$$d = (\delta_2 - \delta_1) / (h_2 + h_1)$$

$$i = i + 1$$

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Ex

Solve $f(x) = 16x^4 - 40x^3 + 5x^2 + 20x + 6$ using Muller's method.

$x_0 = 0.5, x_1 = -0.5, x_2 = 0$		
i	x_i	$f(x_i)$
3	$-0.555556 + 0.598352i$	$-29.4007 - 3.89872i$
4	$-0.435450 + 0.102101i$	$1.33223 - 1.19309i$
⋮		
8	$-0.356062 + 0.162758i$	$0.285102 \times 10^{-5} + 0.953674 \times 10^{-6}i$

$x_0 = 0.5, x_1 = 1.0, x_2 = 1.5$		
i	x_i	$f(x_i)$
3	1.28785	-1.37624
4	1.23746	0.126941
⋮		
7	1.24168	0.257492×10^{-4}

$x_0 = 2.5, x_1 = 2.0, x_2 = 2.25$		
i	x_i	$f(x_i)$
3	1.96059	-0.611255
4	1.97056	0.748825×10^{-2}
5		
6	1.97044	-0.259639×10^{-4}

The actual values for roots are:

$$1.241677, \quad 1.970446, \quad -0.356062 \pm 0.162758i$$

The importance of Muller method is that it converges with any initial approximation choice. (Although for example if $f(x_i) = f(x_{i+1}) = f(x_{i+2})$, it does not converge)

Order of convergence:

$\alpha = 1.84$	Müller's method
$\alpha = 2$	Newton's "
$\alpha = 1.62$	Secant "