


Recap: §1 To solve $f(x) = 0$ for x Lecture 6 1.31.2019

§1-1 Bisection

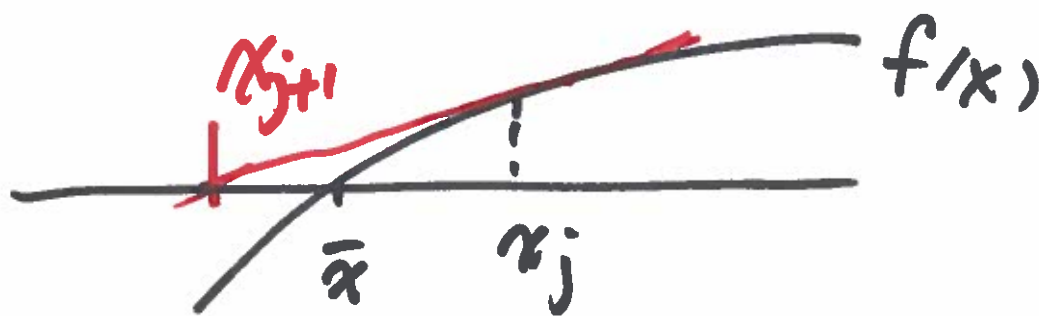
$$\begin{cases} f(a)f(b) < 0 \\ f \in C[a, b] \end{cases}$$


- linear convergence

§1-2 Newton's method

Start with x_0

$$x_{j+1} = x_j - \frac{f(x_j)}{f'(x_j)} \quad \leftarrow$$



quadratic convergence

$$e_{j+1} = \square e_j^2$$

$$\begin{cases} e_j = |x_j - \bar{x}| \end{cases}$$

'locally convergence'

Example: (Application.)

Given $a \neq 0$
we want to calculate $x = \frac{1}{a}$
by using only $+$, $-$, $*$

one try:

$$f(x) = ax - 1 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Newton: } x_{j+1} &= x_j - \frac{f(x_j)}{f'(x_j)} \\ &= x_j - \frac{ax_j - 1}{a} \\ &= \frac{1}{a}\end{aligned}$$

(not good)

Another try: $f(x) = a - \frac{1}{x}$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Newton's: } \boxed{x_{j+1}} &= x_j - \frac{f(x_j)}{f'(x_j)} \\ &= x_j - \left(a - \frac{1}{x_j}\right) x_j^2 = x_j(2 - ax_j)\end{aligned}$$

To solve $f(x) = a - \frac{1}{x} = 0$, $a = 3$

Newton's method

$$x_{j+1} = x_j - \frac{f(x_j)}{f'(x_j)} = x_j \cdot (2 - a \cdot x_j)$$

Initial: $x_0 = \underline{0.3}$ $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{operation:} \\ 2 \times \\ 1 - \end{array} \right)$

$$x_1 = 0.3 (2 - 3 \times 0.3)$$

$$= 0.3 (2 - 0.9) = 0.3 \times 1.1 = \underline{0.33}$$

$$x_2 = 0.33 (2 - 3 \times 0.33)$$

$$= 0.33 (2 - 0.99)$$

$$= 0.33 \times 1.01$$

$$= 0.33 \times (1 + 0.01) = 0.33 + 0.0033 =$$

$$x_3 = 0.3333 (2 - 3 \times 0.3333) \underline{0.3333}$$

$$= 0.3333 \times 1.0001$$

$$= 0.3333 \times (1 + 0.0001)$$

$$= 0.3333 + 0.00003333$$

$$= \underline{0.33333333}$$

A question from some student

{ How to compute
 $e_j = |x_j - \bar{x}|$?

- For general examples, \bar{x} is not available, e_j cannot be calculated
- To verify your code, one can use examples that have exact solution, namely \bar{x} is known.
- e_j can be approximated:

$$e_j \approx |x_j - \bar{x}_{\text{ref}}|$$

$$\bar{x}_{\text{ref}} = x_J \quad J \gg j$$

§1-3 Secant method : To solve $f(x) = 0$

Newton: x_j

$$x_{j+1} = x_j - \frac{f(x_j)}{f'(x_j)}$$

There are applications where f' is expensive or non-trivial to compute. Instead, we use $f'(x_j) \approx \frac{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}{x_j - x_{j-1}}$

\Rightarrow Secant method

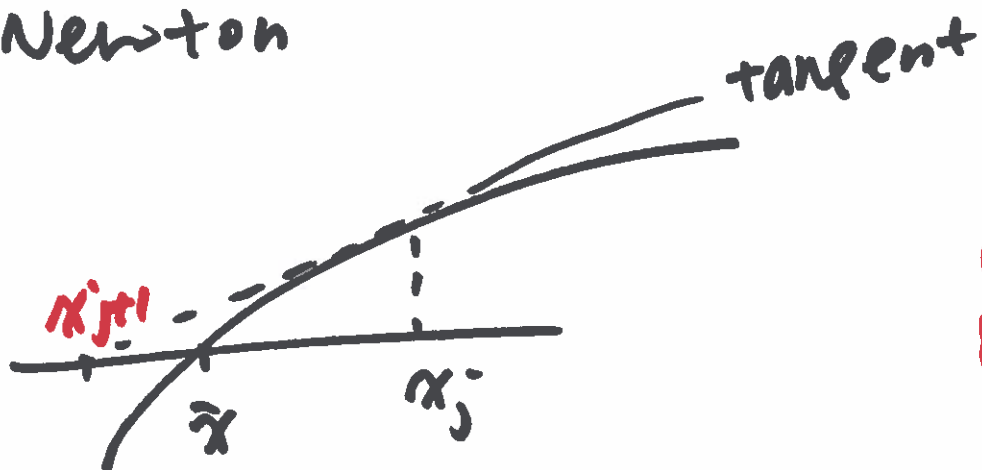
$$x_{j+1} = x_j - \frac{f(x_j) (x_j - x_{j-1})}{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}$$

$j \geq 1$

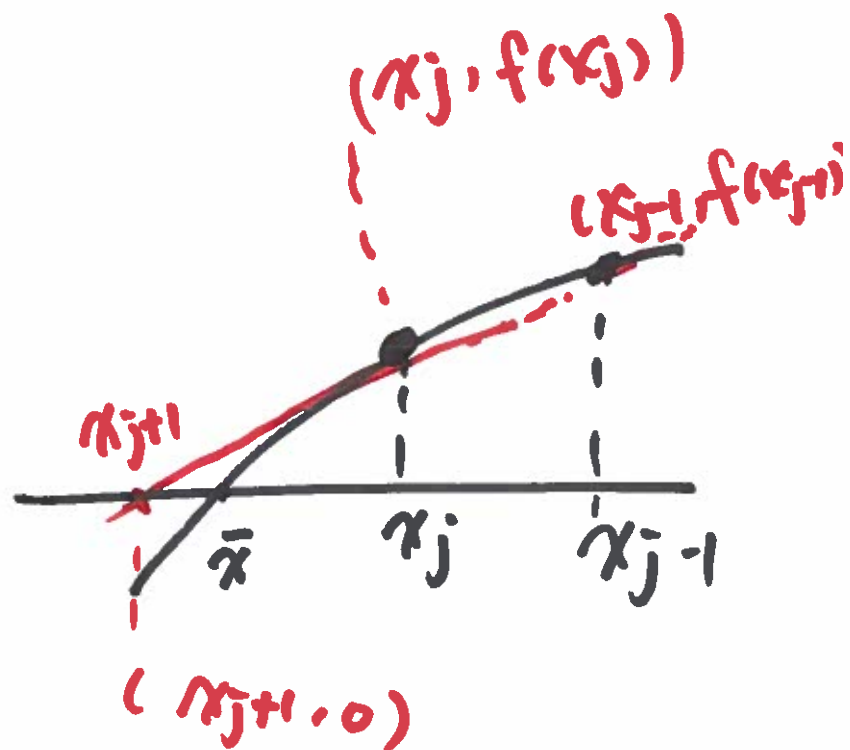
with x_0, x_1 given

geometrically:

Newton



Secant method



To verify:

$$\frac{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}{x_j - x_{j-1}} = \frac{f(x_j) - 0}{x_j - x_{j+1}}$$

↓ gives the secant method update

Secant Method

Red: with x, w ,
is to take
into account
storage

Pick x_0, x_1 , $tol > 0$, $I_{max} > 0$
(and possibly $x_{max} > 0$)

let $err = 10 \times tol$, $j = 0$

loop: while ($err > tol$)

$$z = \frac{f(x_j)(x_j - x_{j-1})}{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}$$

$$err = abs(z) (= |z|)$$

$$x_{j+1} = x_j - z \dots \begin{cases} w = x \\ x = x - z \end{cases}$$

$$j = j + 1$$

if $j > I_{max}$ (or $|x_{j+1}| > x_{max}$)
STOP

End

$$x_{j+1} = x_j - \frac{f(x_j)(x_j - x_{j-1})}{f(x_j) - f(x_{j-1})}$$

Theorem: Given $f \in C^2([a, b])$ with $f(\bar{x}) = 0$ for some $\bar{x} \in (a, b)$ and $f'(\bar{x}) \neq 0$. Start with x_0, x_1 that are sufficiently close to \bar{x} , then the secant method converges to \bar{x} , namely

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} x_j = \bar{x}$$

And the error $e_j = |x_j - \bar{x}|$ satisfies

$$e_{j+1} = D_j e_j^{\gamma}$$

where $\gamma = \frac{\sqrt{5} + 1}{2} \approx 1.618$

and $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} D_j = \left| \frac{f''(\bar{x})}{2f'(\bar{x})} \right|^{\gamma-1}$

Convergence of
Secant method: superlinear

i	x_i	$ x_i - \bar{x} $	γ
0	-0.333333333333333	4.38e-01	
1	-0.666666666666667	1.04e-01	
2	-0.800000000000000	2.91e-02	
3	-0.76904176904177	1.88e-03	1.7749
4	-0.77088382152809	3.32e-05	1.6426
5	-0.77091703510617	3.80e-08	1.6565
6	-0.77091699705848	7.71e-13	1.6325
7	-0.77091699705925	1.11e-16	1.3172
8	-0.77091699705925	1.11e-16	1.0000

Table 2.7 Solving $x^3 + 2x + 2 = 0$ using the secant method formula given in (2.25). Also given is the error $e_i = |x_i - \bar{x}|$, and the approximate order of convergence γ as determined from (2.15).

§ 1.4

Sensitivity of root-finding problems

Demo: (matlab)

What is effectively solved on computer (or by matlab) is a perturbed problem.

$$\hat{f}(x) = f(x) + h(x) = 0$$

↑

(original: $f(x) = 0$)

←
due to finite-precision arithmetic

Consider solving $f(x)=0$,
the solution is \bar{x}

perturbed problem:

$$\hat{f}(x) = f(x) + \varepsilon h(x)$$

$$0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$$

$$\text{its root is } \hat{x} = \bar{x} + \Delta x$$

$$|\Delta x| \ll 1$$

Try to establish "relation of ε and Δx "

$$\hat{f}(\hat{x}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f(\bar{x} + \Delta x) + \varepsilon h(\bar{x} + \Delta x) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{f(\bar{x})} + \Delta x f'(\bar{x}) + \cancel{O(\Delta x^2)}^{\text{big-}0}$$

$$+ \varepsilon (h(\bar{x}) + \Delta x h'(\bar{x}) + \cancel{O(\Delta x^2)}) = 0$$

(drop $O(\Delta x^2)$)

$$\Rightarrow \Delta x (f'(\bar{x}) + \varepsilon h'(\bar{x})) + \varepsilon h(\bar{x}) \approx 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta x \approx - \frac{\varepsilon h(\bar{x})}{f'(\bar{x}) + \underbrace{(\varepsilon h'(\bar{x}))}_{\text{small}}}$$

$$\hat{x} \approx \bar{x} - \varepsilon \frac{h(\bar{x})}{f'(\bar{x})}$$

$$f(\bar{x}) = 0$$

$$\hat{f}(\hat{x}) = 0$$

$$\hat{x} = \bar{x} + \underbrace{\Delta x}$$

$$\hat{f}(x) = f(x) + \underbrace{\varepsilon h(x)}$$

$$\Delta x \approx - \varepsilon \frac{h(\bar{x})}{f'(\bar{x})}$$

↙ This tells the sensitivity of \bar{x} ,
with the perturbation of $\varepsilon h(x)$

Example: Revisit the 2nd example

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x-2) \cdots (x-7) \\ = \prod_{n=1}^7 (x-n)$$

$$h(x) = x^7$$

$$\hat{f}(x) = f(x) + \varepsilon h(x)$$

To capture a root $\bar{x} = 6$ of $f(x) \stackrel{!}{=} 0$

The root of \hat{f} is $\hat{x} = \bar{x} + \underset{\uparrow}{\Delta x}$

From analysis:

$$\Delta x \approx - \varepsilon \frac{h(\bar{x})}{f'(\bar{x})}$$

To calculate $h(\bar{x}) = 6^7$

$$f'(\bar{x}) = -5!$$

$$\frac{\Delta x}{\varepsilon} \approx - \frac{h(\bar{x})}{f'(\bar{x})} = - \frac{6^7}{-5!} = \\ = 2332.8$$

Some calculation: to get $f'(\bar{x})$

$$f(x) = (x-1)(x-2) \cdots (x-7)$$

$$f'(x) = (x-2)(x-3) \cdots (x-7)$$

$$+ (x-1)(x-3)(x-4) \cdots (x-7)$$

$$+ (x-1)(x-2)(x-4) \cdots (x-7)$$

\vdots

$$(x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \cdots (x-6)$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^7 \prod_{\substack{n=1 \\ n \neq m}}^7 (x-n)$$

$$f'(\bar{x}) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x-4)(x-5) \cdot (x-7) \Big|_{x=\bar{x}=6}$$

$$= 5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \cdot (-1)$$

$$= -5!$$

In demo:

$$\Sigma = 10^{-6}$$

$$\frac{\Delta X}{\Sigma} \approx 2.3322 \times 10^3$$

$$\Sigma = 10^{-10}$$

$$\frac{\Delta X}{\Sigma} \approx 2.3328 \times 10^3$$

more
sensitive: ill-conditioned

less sensitive: well-conditioned