

**Sec:3.3**

# **Fixed- Point Iteration**

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The number  $p$  is a **fixed point** for a given function  $g$  if.

$$p = g(p)$$

### Example:

Determine any fixed points of the function  $g(x) = x^2 - 2$ .

**solution**

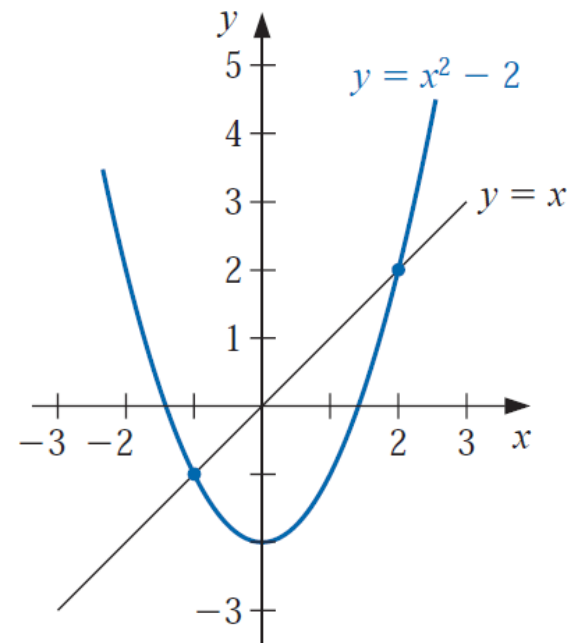
$$p = g(p)$$

$$p = p^2 - 2$$

$$0 = p^2 - p - 2$$

$$p = -1, p = 2$$

A fixed point of  $g$  occurs precisely when the graph of  $g(x)$  intersects the graph of  $y = x$



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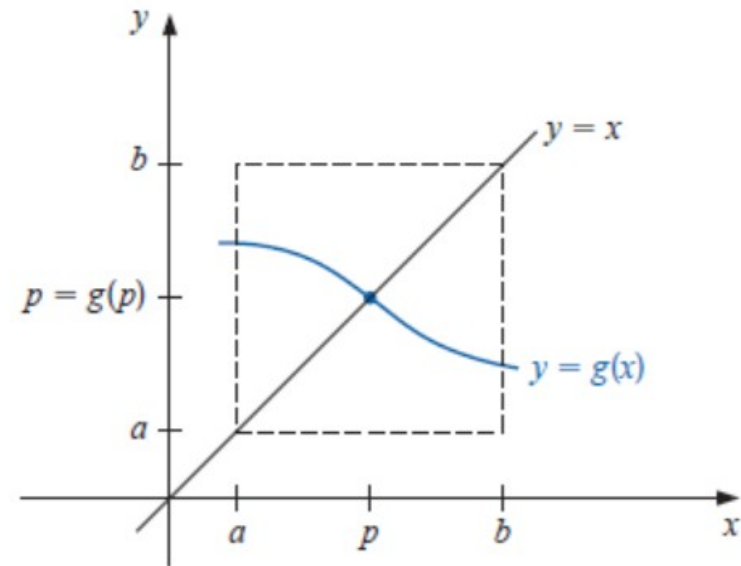
### Theorem 2.3

(i) If  $g \in C[a, b]$  and  $g(x) \in [a, b]$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , then  $g$  has **at least one** fixed point in  $[a, b]$ .

(ii) If, in addition,  $g(x)$  exists on  $(a, b)$  and a positive constant  $k < 1$  exists with

$$|g'(x)| \leq k, \text{ for all } x \in (a, b),$$

then there is **exactly one** fixed point in  $[a, b]$ .



### Example

Show that  $g(x) = \frac{x^2}{3}$  has a unique fixed point on the interval  $[-1, 1]$ .

### Example

Show that  $g(x) = 3x$  has at least one fixed point on the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

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### Example

Find the fixed point of the function

$$g(x) = e^{-x}$$

$$p_{i+1} = g(p_i)$$

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Starting with an initial guess of  $p_0 = 0$

$$p_1 = g(p_0) = e^{-0} = 1$$

$$p_2 = g(p_1) = e^{-1} = 0.367879$$

$$p_3 = g(p_2) = e^{-0.367879} = 0.692201$$

$$\vdots$$
$$\vdots$$
$$\vdots$$
$$\vdots$$

$n$	$p_n$
1	0.00000000000000
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3	0.3678794411714
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5	0.5004735005636
6	0.6062435350856
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Thus, each iteration brings the estimate closer to the true fixed point: 0.56714329

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 $g(x)$

Root Finding of  
of  
 $f(x)$

$p$   
is a  
**fixed point** of  
 $g(x)$

$p$   
is a  
**root** of  
 $f(x)$

$$f(x) \equiv x - g(x)$$

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## simple fixed-point iteration

### Step 1

rearranging the function

$$f(x) = 0$$

so that  $x$  is on the left hand side of the equation:

$$x = g(x) \quad (*)$$

### Step 2

given an initial guess at the root  $p_i$  can be used to compute a new estimate as expressed by the iterative formula

$$p_{i+1} = g(p_i)$$

### Example 1

$$x^2 - 2x + 3 = 0$$

can be simply manipulated to yield

$$x = \frac{x^2 + 3}{2}$$

$$x = g(x)$$

### Example 2

$$\sin(x) = 0$$

can be simply manipulated to yield

$$x = x + \sin(x)$$

$$x = g(x)$$

### Note

Convert the problem from root-finding to finding fixed-point

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### Step 1

rearranging the function

$$x = e^{-x}$$
$$x = g(x)$$

### Example1

Use simple fixed-point iteration to locate the root of

$$f(x) = e^{-x} - x$$

### Step 2

$$p_{i+1} = g(p_i)$$

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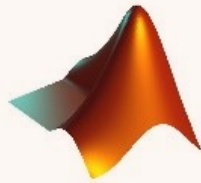
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Thus, each iteration brings the estimate closer to the true value of the root: 0.56714329

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clear; clc; format long
p(1) = 0;
g = @(x) exp(-x);
true_root = 0.56714329;
for k=1:11
    p(k+1) = g( p(k) );
    rel=abs( (p(k) - true_root )/ true_root );
    fprintf('%d %10.4f %10.4f\n', k,p(k),rel);
end
```



$$\epsilon_t = \left| \frac{p_n - p_{n-1}}{p_n} \right| \times 100\%$$

$n$	$p_n$	$\epsilon_t(\%)$
1	0.000000000000000	100.00
2	1.000000000000000	76.32
3	0.3678794411714	35.13
4	0.6922006275553	22.05
5	0.5004735005636	11.75
6	0.6062435350856	6.89
7	0.5453957859750	3.83
8	0.5796123355034	2.19
9	0.5601154613611	1.23
10	0.5711431150802	0.70
11	0.5648793473910	0.39
12	0.5684287250291	0.22

Notice that the true percent relative error for each iteration is roughly proportional (by a factor of about 0.5 to 0.6) to the error from the previous iteration. This property, called *linear convergence*



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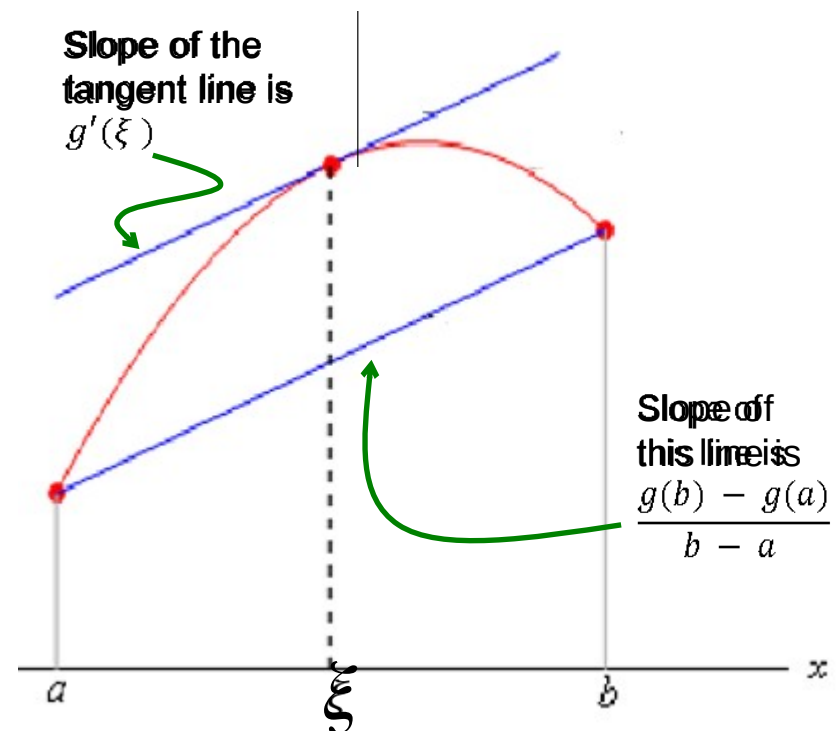
The **derivative mean-value theorem** states that if a function  $g(x)$  and its first derivative are continuous over an interval  $[a, b]$ , then there exists at least one value  $\xi$  within the interval such that the interval such that

$$g'(\xi) = \frac{g(b) - g(a)}{b - a}$$

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$$g(b) - g(a) \equiv g'(\xi)(b - a)$$



Suppose that the true solution is

$$p = g(p)$$

the iterative equation is

$$p_{n+1} = g(p_n)$$

Subtracting these equations yields

$$p - p_{n+1} = g(p) - g(p_n)$$

The *derivative mean-value theorem* gives

$$p - p_{n+1} = g'(\xi)(p - p_n)$$

where  $\xi$  is somewhere between  $p$  and  $p_n$

If the true error for iteration  $n$  is defined as

$$E_n = p - p_n$$

$$E_{n+1} = g'(\xi)E_n$$

$$|E_{n+1}| = |g'(\xi)| \cdot |E_n|$$

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$$< k |E_n| \quad (\text{If } |g'(\xi)| \leq k, k < 1)$$

the errors decrease with each iteration

$$|E_{m+1}| \leq k |E_m|$$

$$|E_{10}| < k |E_9| < \dots < k^9 |E_1| < k^{10} |E_0|$$

$$|E_m| < k^n |E_0|$$

## Step 1

rearranging the function  $g(x) = 0$   
so that  $x$  is on the left hand side  
of the equation:  $x = g(x)$

Select  $g(x)$  so that  
 $|g'(\xi)| < 1$

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### **Theorem 2.4 (Fixed-Point Theorem)**

Let  $g \in C[a, b]$  be such that  $g(x) \in [a, b]$ , for all  $x$  in  $[a, b]$ . Suppose, in addition, that  $g'$  exists on  $(a, b)$  and that a constant  $0 < k < 1$  exists with

$$|g'(x)| \leq k, \text{ for all } x \in (a, b).$$

Then for any number  $p_0$  in  $[a, b]$ , the sequence defined by

$$p_n = g(p_{n-1}), \quad n \geq 1,$$

**converges** to the unique fixed point  $p$  in  $[a, b]$ .

### **Corollary 2.5**

If  $g$  satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 2.4, then bounds for the error in using  $p_n$  to approximate  $p$  are given by

$$|p_n - p| \leq k^n \max\{p_0 - a, b - p_0\} \quad (2.5)$$

$$\text{and } |p_n - p| \leq \max\{p_0 - a, b - p_0\} \quad (2.5)$$

and

$$|p_n - p| \leq \frac{k^n}{1-k} |p_1 - p_0|, \text{ for all } n \geq 1. \quad (2.6)$$

$$|p_n - p| \leq \frac{1}{1-k} |p_1 - p_0|, \text{ for all } n \geq 1. \quad (2.6)$$

Two important  
error equation

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### Corollary 2.5

If  $g$  satisfies the hypotheses of Theorem 2.4, then bounds for the error involving  $p_0$  and  $p$  are given by

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### Remark 1

The smaller the value of  $k$ , the faster the convergence, which may be very slow if  $k$  is close to 1,

### Remark 2

the rate at which  $\{p_n\}$  converges

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Q:2 (6+7+7) Let  $f(x) = x - e^{-x}$ . To find a root of  $f(x) = 0$  using **Fixed-Point** method, consider two equivalent fixed point equations  $x = g_1(x) = e^{-x}$  and  $x = g_2(x) = -\ln(x)$ .

(a) Determine for which equation, the Fixed Point Method converges in the interval  $[0.2, 0.9]$ .

The function  $g(x)$  is decreasing

$$g(0.2) = 0.8187$$

$$g(0.9) = 0.407$$

$$[0.407, 0.8187] \in [0.2, 0.9]$$

$$g(x) \in [a, b], \text{ for all } x \text{ in } [a, b]$$

$$(a) \quad g_1'(x) = -e^{-x}, \quad |g_1'(x)| = |e^{-x}| = e^{-0.2} = K < 1 \quad (2)$$
$$g_2'(x) = -\frac{1}{x}, \quad |g_2'(x)| = \left|\frac{1}{x}\right| > 1, \quad (2) \quad 0.2 \leq x \leq 0.9$$

② The fixed point method converges for  $x = g_1(x)$ .

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(b) Using  $x_0 = 0.8$  and  $g_1(x)$ , estimate how many of iterations are necessary to obtain the root accurate to  $10^{-2}$ . (accurate to two decimal places)

$$|p_n - p| \leq \max\{0.8, 0.2, 0.99 - 0.8\} \quad (2.5)$$

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$$|p_n - p| \leq \{0.9\}$$

$$|p_n - p| \leq \{0.6\} \leq 10^{-2}$$

$$e^{-0.2n} \leq \frac{10^{-2}}{0.6}$$

$$-0.2n \leq \ln\left(\frac{10^{-2}}{0.6}\right) \rightarrow n \geq 20.4717$$

$$\rightarrow n = 21$$

$$x_1 = e^{-0.8} = 0.44933$$

$$|p_n - p| \leq \frac{|p_1 - p|}{1-k}, \text{ for all } n \geq 1 \quad (2.6)$$

$$|p_n - p| \leq \frac{(e^{-0.2})^n}{1 - e^{-0.2}} |0.44933 - 0.8|$$

$$|p_n - p| \leq \frac{10^{-2}}{1 - e^{-0.2}} \{0.350671035882778\} \leq 10^{-2}$$

$$e^{-0.2n} \leq \frac{10^{-2}(1 - e^{-0.2})}{0.350671035882778}$$

$$-0.2n \leq \ln\left(\frac{10^{-2}(1 - e^{-0.2})}{0.350671035882778}\right) \rightarrow n \geq 26.3251$$

$$\rightarrow n = 27$$



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(c) Compute the root accurate to  $10^{-2}$  and note the number of iterations actually needed.

$$(C) \quad x_1 = e^{-0.8} = 0.44933$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_2 = e^{-0.44933} = 0.63806$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_3 = 0.52832$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_4 = 0.58960$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_5 = 0.55455$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_6 = 0.57433$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_7 = 0.56308$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_8 = 0.56945$$

Actual  
 $n = 8$

0.8000000000000000

0.449328964117222

0.638056166582019

0.528318389507880

0.589595606670415

0.554551496322640

0.574329792464196

0.563082124256065

0.569451236849996

0.565835863387710

0.567885273811935

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