



Bisection Method

What is the task about?

Writing a MATLAB function that uses Bisection Method to iteratively estimate the positive real root of the equation ln(x) = 0.7 in the interval [XI, Xu] until ϵ is less than ϵ s. Note that x is in radians.

The function should accept 3 parameters

- Initial value of X(i.e., XI)
- Final value of X (i.e., Xu)
- and εs

The function should return 5 values for each iteration:

- X
- Xu
- Xr
- Sign $\{f(x|)f(xu)\}$
- εa

(Note: Function should return arrays instead of single values). I will write a script which gives output in a tabular form for the developed function using x = 0.5, x = 2 and $\varepsilon s = 0.1\%$.)

The technique & code

The mechanism of the **Bisection Method** approximation:

I. We need to locate the root. If we have XI, Xu and the multiplication of their values (i.e., f(XI)*f(Xu)) have opposite signs, then there is at least one root between XIr and Xur.

II. For the solution we need to calculate Xr.

Then, we have three options:

- if
$$f(X|^*f(Xr) < 0$$

So, the root lies in the lower subinterval and set Xupper= Xr.

- if if
$$f(XI)*f(Xr) > 0$$

so, the root lies in the upper subinterval and set XI= Xr.

$$- if f(XI)*f(Xr) = 0$$

so, the root equals Xr and stop.

The code

Pseudocode of a MATLAB function that calculates the approximate the root of ln(x)=0.7:

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unction [xl,xu,xr,sign1,ea]=bisection(xl, xu, es)
iter index = 0;

xrold = Inf;

while (1)

xr = (xl + xu)/2;

if(xr ~= 0)
   ea = abs( (xr - xrold) / xr)* 100;
   end

check = equation(xl)*equation(xr);
if sign(check)
   sign1='postive';
else
   sign1='Negative';
end
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disp([ xl, xu, xr, equation(xl), equation(xu), equation(xr), ea]);
check = equation(xl)*equation(xr);
if(check < 0)
xu = xr;
elseif(check > 0)
else
ea = 0;
end
xrold = xr;
iter index = iter index + 1;
if (ea < es)
break;
end
end
function y = equation(x)
y = log(x^4)-0.7;
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The output samples

Showing the snapshot of the output of the script

The result conforms the solution and it shows Xlower, Xupper, Xr, the sign of f(Xlower)*f(Xupper) and epsilonA for each step.

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                 function y = equation(x)
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