

## Lecture 13: Numerical Analysis (UMA011)

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## Secant method:

In N.M,

$$f(x) = 0$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

need to evaluate

### Importance:

requires only evaluation of function

derivative of  
function at  
each iteration

## Secant method:

### Derivation:

$$f(x) = 0$$

$$\text{By N.M. } x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}, \quad f'(x_n) \neq 0$$

$$\text{It } \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y} = f'(y)$$

$$\text{Now, } f'(x_n) = \frac{f(x_n) - f(\cancel{x_{n-1}})}{x_n - \cancel{x_{n-1}}} \approx \frac{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}{x_n - x_{n-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n) * (x_n - x_{n-1})}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}$$

Secant Method

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n f(x_n) - x_n f(x_{n-1}) - x_n f(x_n) + x_{n-1} f(x_n)}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}$$

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-1} f(x_n) - x_n f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}$$

✓ → S.M.  $f(x_n) \neq f(x_{n-1})$

Take  $x_0, x_1$  as initial guesses

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

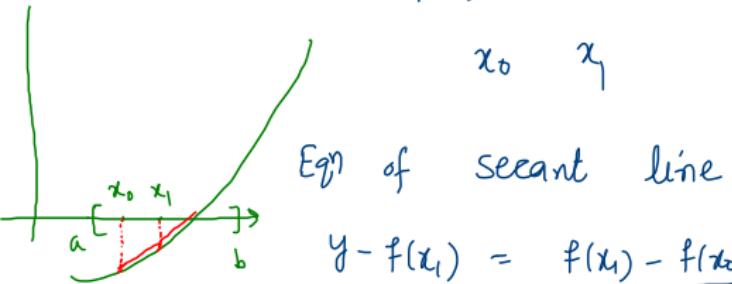
$$x_3 = \frac{(x_1 f(x_2) - x_2 f(x_1))}{(f(x_2) - f(x_1))}$$

Stopping criteria  
 $|x_n - x_{n-1}| < \text{tol}$

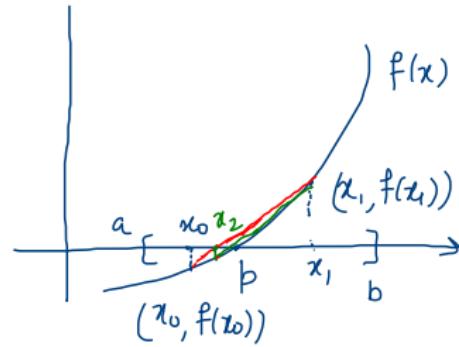
## Secant method:

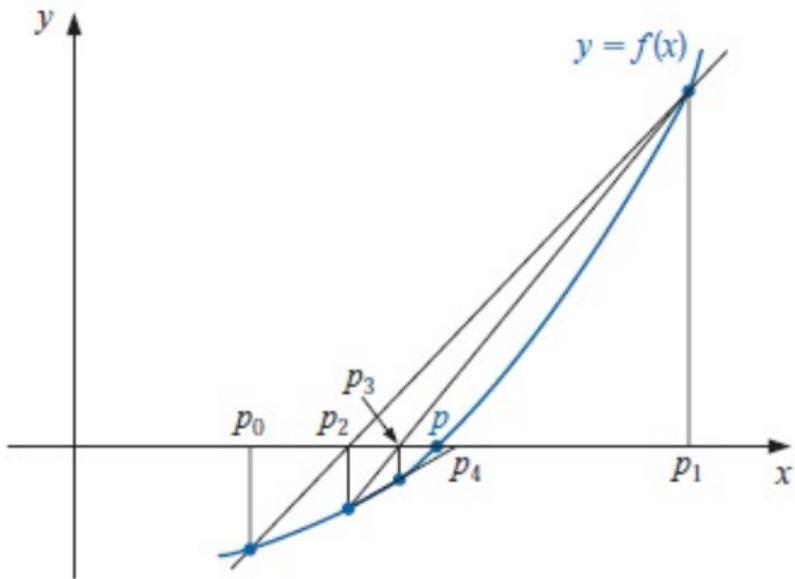
### Graphical representation:

$$f(x) = 0$$



If we take  $x_0, x_1$   
 only one side of pt:  $p$  At  $x$ -axis i.e.  $y = 0$   
 then extend the  
 secant joining  $x_0$  &  $x_1$  to  $x$ -axis.





$$f(x_1) = \frac{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}{x_1 - x_0} (x - x_1)$$

$$\frac{f(x_1) (x_1 - x_0)}{f(x_1) - f(x_0)} = x - x_1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1) (x_1 - x_0)}{f(x_1) - f(x_0)} = \frac{x_0 f(x_1) - x_1 f(x_0)}{f(x_1) - f(x_0)}$$

by  $x_3 = \frac{x_1 f(x_2) - x_2 f(x_1)}{f(x_2) - f(x_1)} \dots$  continue

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{x_{n-1} f(x_n) - x_n f(x_{n-1})}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})} \rightarrow \text{secant Method}$$

## Secant method:

### Example:

Find the root of an equation  $f(x) = \cos(x) - x = 0$  by using secant method.

Solution.

$$f(0) = 1 - 0 = +ve, \quad f(\pi/2) = -\frac{\pi}{2} = -ve.$$

By IIT, the root of  $f(x)=0$  lie in bet<sup>n</sup>

$$[0, \pi/2]$$

By using Secant method  $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)(x_n - x_{n-1})}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}$

$$\text{Take } x_0 = 0.5, \quad x_1 = \frac{\pi}{4}, \quad n = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_2 &= x_1 - \frac{f(x_1) (x_1 - x_0)}{f(x_1) - f(x_0)} \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{f(\pi/4) - (\frac{\pi}{4} - 0.5)}{f(\pi/4) - f(0.5)} = 0.785398 \\
 x_3 &= 0.785398 - \frac{f(0.785398) (0.785398 - \pi/4)}{f(0.785398) - f(\pi/4)} \\
 &= 0.73638
 \end{aligned}$$

$$x_4 = 0.739058, \quad x_5 = 0.739085 \quad \underline{\text{Ans}}$$

## Numerical methods:

### Examples:

① To compute  $\sqrt{17}$

by using

Numerical  
methods

$$x - \sqrt{17} = 0 \quad \text{Linear eqn.} \quad x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

Non-linear ✓ eqn.

$$x^2 - 17 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= x_n - \frac{x_n - \sqrt{17}}{1} = \sqrt{17}$$

get the 1st iteration  
as  $\sqrt{17}$  only.

② Compute  $(23)^{1/3} \rightarrow x^3 - 23 = 0$

③ Compute  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}$

$$17x - 1 = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{x} - 17 = 0 \quad \checkmark \rightarrow \text{non-linear eqn's}$$

## Root-finding problems:

### Exercise:

- 1 Find the root of an equation  $3x - e^x = 0$  by using secant method for  $1 \leq x \leq 2$  with the accuracy of  $10^{-2}$ .
- 2 Use Newton's and secant methods to find  $1/1.732$  correct to 4 decimal places.