

## Lecture 15: Numerical Analysis (UMA011)

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## Multiple roots

for e.g.

$$f(x) = (x^2 - 2x + 1)(x-3)(x-4)$$

$$f(x) = (x-1)^2(x-3)(x-4) = 0$$

$$x = \check{1}, \check{1}, 3, 4$$

### Definition:

An equation  $f(x) = 0$  has a root  $p$  with multiplicity  $m$  if for  $x \neq p$ , we can write  $f(x) = (x-p)^m q(x)$ ,  $q(p) \neq 0$ .

If  $m = 1$ , then equation  $f(x) = 0$  has a simple root at  $p$ .

$$\text{ie } f(x) \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} (x-p)^1 q(x), \quad q(p) \neq 0$$

$$(x-1)^2$$

$$(x-1)(x-1)$$

Root  $\rightarrow$  equation

Zero  $\rightarrow$  function

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$f \in C^1[a, b] \Rightarrow f$  and  $f'$  are cont. on  $[a, b]$ .

### Result:

The function  $f \in C^1[a, b]$  has a simple zero at  $p$  in  $[a, b]$  iff  $f(p) = 0$  but  $f'(p) \neq 0$  ✓

If we take

$p$  is root of  $f(x)=0$   
 with multiplicity 2

then  $f(x) = (x-p)^2 q(x)$ ,  
 $q(p) \neq 0$

$$f(x) = (x-p)q(x), \quad q(p) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(p) = 0$$

$$f'(x) = (x-p)q'(x) + 1 \cdot q(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(p) = 0 + q(p) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(p) = 0$$

$$f'(p) = 0$$

$$\text{but } f''(p) \neq 0$$

### Generalized result:

The function  $f \in C^1[a, b]$  has a zero of multiplicity  $m$  at  $p$  in  $[a, b]$  iff  $f(p) = 0, f'(p) = 0, \dots, f^{m-1}(p) = 0$ , but  $f^m(p) \neq 0$ .

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### Remarks:

- (i) The Newton's method (in which  $f'(p) \neq 0$  is required) works for those functions which has a simple zero not for multiplicity.
- (ii) Newton's method gives quadratically convergent sequence but quadratic convergence might not occur if the zero is not simple.

$$f(x)=0$$
$$p$$

N.M.

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$
$$\neq 0$$
$$f'(p) \neq 0$$

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### Example:

Let  $f(x) = e^x - x - 1$

$m=2$

a) Show that  $f$  has a zero of multiplicity 2 at  $x = 0$ ,  $p=0$

b) Show that Newton's method with  $p_0 = 1$  converges to  $x = 0$  but not quadratically.

Solution :- a)

$$f(x) = e^x - x - 1$$

$$f(0) = e^0 - 0 - 1 = 0$$

$$f'(x) = e^x - 1$$

$$f'(0) = e^0 - 1 = 0$$

$$f''(x) = e^x \Rightarrow f''(0) = e^0 \neq 0 \Rightarrow f \text{ has a zero at } 0 \text{ with } m=2$$

$$b) \quad f(x) = e^x - x - 1$$

Apply N.M. with  $p_0 = 1$

$$p_{n+1} = p_n - \frac{f(p_n)}{f'(p_n)}$$

$$p_{n+1} = p_n - \frac{e^{p_n} - p_n - 1}{e^{p_n} - 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &= p_0 - \frac{e^{p_0} - p_0 - 1}{e^{p_0} - 1} = 1 - \frac{e-2}{e-1} = \frac{\cancel{e}-1-\cancel{e}+2}{e-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{e-1} = 0.58198 \end{aligned}$$

$$p_2 = p_1 - \frac{e^{p_1} - p_1 - 1}{e^{p_1} - 1}$$

$$= 0.31906$$

$$p_3 = 0.16800, \quad p_4 = 0.08635, \quad p_5 = 0.04380$$

$$p_6 = 0.02206 \checkmark$$

check the order of convergence of  $\langle p_n \rangle$

$$\text{by } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|p_{n+1} - p|}{|p_n - p|^{\alpha}} = \lambda$$

To check the linear order

$$\frac{|p_2 - p|}{|p_1 - p|} = \frac{|0.31906 - 0|}{|0.58198 - 0|} < 1$$

$$\frac{|p_3 - p|}{|p_2 - p|} = \frac{|0.16860 - 0|}{|0.31906 - 0|} < 1$$

$$\frac{|p_n - p|}{|p_3 - p|} < 1 \quad = \quad - \quad \forall n$$

$\{p_n\}$  is linear convergent sequence.



# To check the 2<sup>nd</sup> order

$$\frac{|p_2 - p|}{|p_1 - p|^2} = \frac{|0.31906 - 0|}{|0.58198 - 0|^2} = 0.94201 < 1$$

$$\frac{|p_3 - p|}{|p_2 - p|^2} = \frac{|0.16800 - 0|}{|0.31906 - 0|^2} = 1.6563 > 1$$

$$\frac{|p_4 - p|}{|p_3 - p|^2} = \frac{|0.08635 - 0|}{|0.16800 - 0|^2} = 3.05945 > 1$$

$\langle \lambda_n \rangle$  is increasing sequence

$\Rightarrow \langle p_n \rangle$  is not quadratic convergence.

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### Modified Newton's method (if multiplicity is not given)

Define a function  $u(x) = \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$ ,  $f(x)$  has a zero at  $p$  with multiplicity  $m$ .

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = (x-p)^m q(x), \quad q(p) \neq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow u(x) &= \frac{(x-p)^m q(x)}{(x-p)^m q'(x) + q(x) * m(x-p)^{m-1}} \\ &= \frac{(x-p) q(x)}{(x-p) q'(x) + m q(x)} \end{aligned}$$

$$u(x) = (x-p)' Q(x)$$

$$\text{where } Q(x) = \frac{q(x)}{(x-p)q'(x) + mq(x)}$$

$$\text{Here } Q(p) = \frac{q(p)}{0 + mq(p)} = \frac{1}{m} \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow u(x)$  has a simple zero at  $p$

Apply N. M. on  $u(x)$  to get the quadratic eqn

$$\text{then } p_{n+1} = p_n - \frac{u(p_n)}{u'(p_n)}, \text{ where } u(x) = \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_{n+1} = p_n - \frac{\frac{f(p_n)}{f'(p_n)}}{\frac{f'(p_n) f'(p_n) - f(p_n) f''(p_n)}{(f'(p_n))^2}}$$

$$p_{n+1} = p_n - \frac{f(p_n) f'(p_n)}{(f'(p_n))^2 - f(p_n) f''(p_n)}$$

→ Modified  
Newton's  
Method.

## Order of convergence:

### Exercise:

- 1 Apply the Newton's method with  $x_0 = 0.8$  to the equation  $f(x) = x^3 - x^2 - x + 1 = 0$ , and verify that the convergence is only of first-order. Further show that root  $\alpha = 1$  has multiplicity 2.