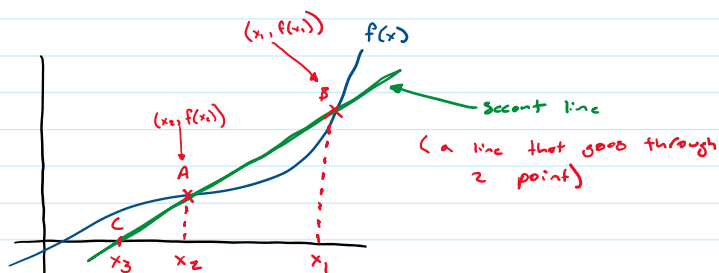


### 2.3.2 Secant Method

Main Idea - avoid computing  $f'(x)$   
 - need two initial points

Slope of Secant line:

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



Slope of the line segment AC is:  $\frac{f(x_2) - 0}{x_2 - x_3}$

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

$$\frac{f(x_2)}{\frac{f(x_1) - f(x_2)}{x_1 - x_2}} = x_2 - x_3 \quad \rightarrow \quad x_3 = x_2 - f(x_2) \left[ \frac{x_1 - x_2}{f(x_1) - f(x_2)} \right]$$

In general,

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - f(x_n) \left[ \frac{x_{n-1} - x_n}{f(x_{n-1}) - f(x_n)} \right]$$

Example:

Apply the Secant method with starting guesses  $x_0 = 0$ ,  $x_1 = 1$  to find the root of  $f(x) = x^3 + x - 1$ . Find  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ .

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - f(x_n) \left[ \frac{x_{n-1} - x_n}{f(x_{n-1}) - f(x_n)} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= x_1 \\ x_{n-1} &= x_0 \\ x_{n+1} &= x_2 \\ x_{n+2} &= x_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$x_2 = x_{1+1} = 1 - 1 \left[ \frac{0 - 1}{-1 - 1} \right] \rightarrow 1 - 1 \left[ \frac{-1}{-2} \right] \rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2} = 0.5 = x_2$$

$$x_3 = x_{2+1} = 0.5 - (-.375) \left[ \frac{1 - 0.5}{1 - (-.375)} \right] \rightarrow 0.5 + 0.375 \left[ \frac{0.5}{1.375} \right] \rightarrow 0.5 + 0.136 = 0.636 = x_3$$

### Fixed-Point Iteration Review: Quiz Friday (2-8)

$$x = g(x) \quad I = [a, b]$$

(1)  $g(x) \in [a, b]$  ← To Find Point

(2)  $|g'(x)| < 1$  ← Just for Unique Solution  
 may  $x \in I$

### Review Taylor's Th<sup>m</sup> with Remainder

Let  $x$  and  $x_0$  be Real numbers, and let  $f(x)$  be  $(k+1)$  times continuously differentiable on the interval between  $x$  and  $x_0$ . Then, there is a number  $\xi$  between  $x$  and  $x_0$  such that

$$f(x) = \left[ \frac{f(x_0)}{1!} + \frac{f'(x_0)(x-x_0)}{2!} + \dots \right]$$

$$f(x) = \left[ \frac{f(x_0)}{1!} + \frac{f'(x_0)(x-x_0)}{2!} + \dots + \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)(x-x_0)^k}{k!} \right] + \underbrace{\frac{f^{(k+1)}(\xi)(x-x_0)^{k+1}}{(k+1)!}}_{\text{Taylor's Remainder}}$$

degree  $k$  Taylor polynomial  
for  $f(x)$  centered at  $x_0$

Taylor's Remainder

**Example:** Find the degree and Taylor polynomial,  $p_4(x)$ , for  
 $f(x) = \sin x$  centered at the point  $x_0 = 0$

$$f(x) = \sin x$$

$$f'(x) = \cos x \quad = \sin(0) + \frac{(x)}{1!} + 0 + \frac{(-1)x^3}{3!} + 0$$

$$f''(x) = -\sin x$$

$$f'''(x) = -\cos x$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = \sin x$$

$$\boxed{\sin x \approx \frac{x}{1!} - \frac{x^3}{6}}$$