

# Numerical Methods Lab 6

## Nonlinear\_equations

- i. Open the colab file shared in BUX.
- ii. Create a copy of that shared file.
- iii. Rename the colab filename using the format **Name-ID-Lab Section**

### Lab Introduction

### Part 1: Polynomial Root Finding Using Bisection Method

One way to find out root's are to use bisection method. Here is the strategy, if  $\alpha$  is a root between and interval  $[a, b]$  then graph will cross the  $X$ -axis at  $\alpha$ . So,  $\text{sign}(f(\alpha - h)) = -\text{sign}(f(\alpha + h))$ , for small value of  $h$ .

So, we can work our way up towards the root by taking average of  $a$  and  $b$ , as long as the signs are different.

we will start with  $a_0$  and  $b_0$ , such that,  $f(a_0)f(b_0) < 0$ . Then we iterate as this,

$$m_k = \frac{a_k + b_k}{2}$$

if,  $f(a_k)f(m_k) < 0$ , then,  $a_{k+1} = a_k$  and  $b_{k+1} = m_k$   
else,  $a_{k+1} = m_k$  and,  $b_{k+1} = b_k$

We keep iterating until we find the root with sufficient precision. We usually use a formula like this,

$$\frac{|m_{k+1} - m_k|}{|m_{k+1}|} \leq \epsilon$$

Where,  $\epsilon$  is a very small value, like  $\epsilon < 10^{-6}$

### [Task 1] – 4 marks

You have to complete the code to iterate and solve for a root of the following equation, between the interval,  $[-0.5, 1.3]$  :

$$f(x) = 2 + 0.5x - 6x^2 - 2x^3 + 2.5x^4 + x^5.$$

You will have to remove the “raise NotImplementedError()”.

## Part 2: Fixed Point Iteration

A number  $\xi$  is called a **fixed point** to function  $g(x)$  if  $g(\xi) = \xi$ . Using fixed points are a nice strategy to find roots of an equation. In this method if we are trying to find a root of  $f(x) = 0$ , we try to write the function in the form,  $x = g(x)$ . That is,

$$f(x) = x - g(x) = 0$$

So, if  $\xi$  is a fixed point of  $g(x)$  it would also be a root of  $f(x) = 0$ , because,

$$f(\xi) = \xi - g(\xi) = \xi - \xi = 0$$

We can find a suitable  $g(x)$  in any number of ways. Not all of them would converge; whereas, some would converge very fast. For example, consider Eq. 6.1.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x^5 + 2.5x^4 - 2x^3 - 6x^2 + x + 2 \\ \Rightarrow x - g(x) &= x^5 + 2.5x^4 - 2x^3 - 6x^2 + x + 2 \\ \Rightarrow g(x) &= -x^5 - 2.5x^4 + 2x^3 + 6x^2 - 2 \end{aligned} \tag{6.2}$$

### [Task 2] – 4 marks

You have to complete the code by using a couple of  $g(x)$  functions to find out which one converges faster.

You will have to remove the “raise NotImplementedError()” .

### [Task 3] – 2 marks

**Problem related to Interval Bisection method:** Consider the following

function:  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 25x - 25$ . Use interval bisection method to find the root,  $x^*$  of  $f(x)$ , on the interval  $[-4, 3]$ , where the error bound,  $\delta = 10^{-2}$ .