

Convergent Sequences

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Overview

- Linear Convergence
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- Order of Convergence
- Logarithmic Convergence
- Aitken's Δ^2 -Process
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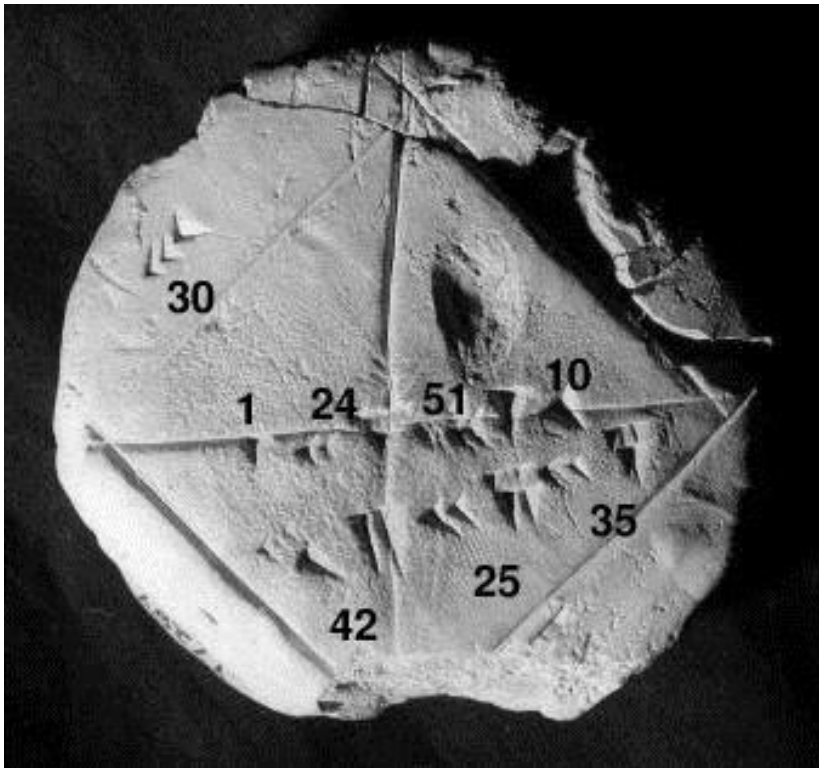
Sequences

$$F(x, d) = 0; \quad x_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} x; \quad x \approx x_N \quad N \gg 1$$

$$\sqrt{a} \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(x_n + \frac{a}{x_n} \right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{a}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e; \quad 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{2n-1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$\sqrt{2}$ in Babylon



Babylonian clay tablet

1800 – 1600 BC

$$\sqrt{2} = 1.(24)(51)(10)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{24}{60} + \frac{51}{60^2} + \frac{10}{60^3}$$

$$= 1.4142129$$

$$= 1.4142135 \text{ (ex)}$$

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Rate of Convergence

Let x_n be convergent i.e. $x_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} L$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1} - L|}{|x_n - L|} = \mu \quad \mu = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{Superlinear} \\ 0 < \mu < 1 & \text{Linear} \\ 1 & \text{Sublinear} \end{cases}$$

Rate of convergence = μ

Linear Convergence

$$\frac{|x_{n+1} - L|}{|x_n - L|} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu \neq 0$$

$$|x_{n+1} - L| \approx \mu |x_n - L| \approx \dots \approx \mu^n |x_1 - L|$$

$$\mu = 0.1 \longrightarrow |e_{n+1}| \approx (0.1)^n \times |e_1|$$

$$\mu = 0.9 \longrightarrow p \approx 0.05$$

Order of Convergence

In case of superlinear convergence i.e. when $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1} - L|}{|x_n - L|} = 0$

$$\exists p > 1 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1} - L|}{|x_n - L|^p} = C > 0$$

Order of convergence = p $|x_{n+1} - L| \approx C |x_n - L|^p$

Logarithmic Convergence

When $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1} - L|}{|x_n - L|} = 1 \longrightarrow |x_{n+1} - L| \approx |x_n - L|$

True
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Not necessarily true!

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}|}{|x_{n+1} - x_n|} = 1 \longrightarrow |x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}| \approx |x_{n+1} - x_n|$$

Examples

$$x_n = \frac{1}{2^n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \frac{x_{n+1} - 0}{x_n - 0} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{16}, \frac{1}{256}, \frac{1}{65536}, \frac{1}{4294967296}, \dots \right\}$$

$$x_n = \frac{1}{2^{2^n}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \frac{x_{n+1} - 0}{(x_n - 0)^2} = \frac{(2^{2^n})^2}{2^{2^{n+1}}} = 1$$

$$x_n = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \ln 2$$

Transforming Sequences

$$x_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} L; \quad y_n = T(x_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} L$$

$$x_n = L + r_n; \quad y_n = L + p_n$$

$$y_n = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{n,i} x_i \quad y_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Linearly Convergent Series

$$x_n = L + c\lambda^n \longrightarrow \frac{x_{n+1} - L}{x_n - L} = \frac{c\lambda^{n+1}}{c\lambda^n} = \lambda$$

$$x_n = L + c'$$

$$x_{n+1} = L + c'\lambda$$

$$x_{n+2} = L + c'\lambda^2$$

$$x_{n+1} - x_n = c'(\lambda - 1)$$

$$x_{n+2} - x_{n+1} = c'\lambda(\lambda - 1)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}}{x_{n+1} - x_n}$$

Uncovering Limit

$$x_{n+1} - x_n = c'(\lambda - 1) \rightarrow c' = \frac{x_{n+1} - x_n}{\lambda - 1} = \frac{(x_{n+1} - x_n)^2}{x_{n+2} - 2x_{n+1} + x_n}$$

$$L = x_n - c' = x_n - \frac{(x_{n+1} - x_n)^2}{x_{n+2} - 2x_{n+1} + x_n} = \frac{x_{n+2}x_n - x_{n+1}^2}{x_{n+2} - 2x_{n+1} + x_n}$$

Del Operator

$$L = x_n - \frac{(x_{n+1} - x_n)^2}{x_{n+2} - 2x_{n+1} + x_n} \quad \Delta x_n \equiv x_{n+1} - x_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^2 x_n &\equiv \Delta \Delta x_n = \Delta(x_{n+1} - x_n) = \Delta x_{n+1} - \Delta x_n = \\ &= (x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}) - (x_{n+1} - x_n) = x_{n+2} - 2x_{n+1} + x_n \end{aligned}$$

$$L = x_n - \frac{(\Delta x_n)^2}{\Delta^2 x_n} \equiv (A\mathbf{x})_n \quad \mathbf{x} \equiv \{x_0, x_1, \dots\}$$

Aitken's Δ^2 Acceleration

$$x_n \approx L + c\lambda^n$$

$$x_n = C_1 a^n + C_2 b^{n+1} + \dots$$

$$L \approx x_n - \frac{(\Delta x_n)^2}{\Delta^2 x_n}$$

$$(Ax)_n = C'_2 b^{n+1} + \dots$$

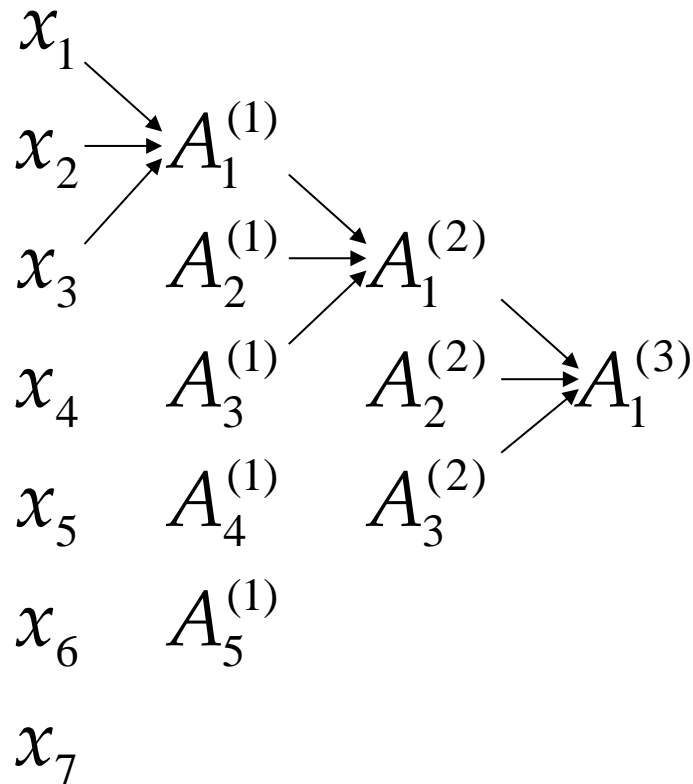
Example Calculations

$$s_n = 1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots + \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{2n-1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi}{4}$$

n	$4s_n$	$4(As)_n$
1	4	—
2	2.666667	—
3	3.466667	3.166666
4	2.895238	3.133333
5	3.339683	3.145238
6	2.976046	3.139683
7	3.283738	3.142713
8	3.017072	3.140881
9	3.252366	3.142072

$$4s_{627} = 3.14318$$

Aitken's Iterated Δ^2 Process



$$A_n^{(0)} \equiv x_n$$

$$A_n^{(k+1)} = A_n^{(k)} - \frac{\left(\Delta A_n^{(k)}\right)^2}{\Delta^2 A_n^{(k)}}$$

Example of Aitken's Iterated

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & & & & & x_1 \\
 & & & & & & \vdots \\
 & & & & & & 4 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & 2.666667 \quad 3.166667 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & 3.466667 \quad 3.133333 \quad 3.142105 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & 2.895238 \quad 3.145238 \quad 3.141450 \quad 3.141599 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & 3.339683 \quad 3.139683 \quad 3.141643 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & 2.976046 \rightarrow 3.142713 \\
 & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & & 3.283738 \nearrow \\
 & & & & & & \\
 x_9 = 3.25... & & & & & &
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{1000000} &= 3.141591 \\
 \pi &= 3.14159265
 \end{aligned}$$

Wynn's Epsilon Algorithm

$$\varepsilon_n^{(-1)} = 0; \quad \varepsilon_n^{(0)} = x_n; \quad \varepsilon_n^{(k+1)} = \varepsilon_{n+1}^{(k-1)} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_{n+1}^{(k)} - \varepsilon_n^{(k)}}.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & x_1 & & & & \\
 0 & & & \varepsilon_1^{(1)} & & & \\
 & x_2 & & & \varepsilon_1^{(2)} & & \\
 0 & & \varepsilon_2^{(1)} & & & \varepsilon_1^{(3)} & \\
 & x_3 & & \varepsilon_2^{(2)} & & & \varepsilon_1^{(4)} \\
 0 & & \varepsilon_3^{(1)} & & \varepsilon_2^{(3)} & & \\
 & x_4 & & \varepsilon_3^{(2)} & & &
 \end{array}$$

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