

A4-Assignment-CH3.2

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1. Verify that when Newton's method is used to compute \sqrt{R} (by solving the equation $x^2 = R$), the sequence of iterates is defined by

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(x_n + \frac{R}{x_n} \right)$$

I want to solve $X^2 - R = 0$

- First, for Newton's method we set

- $f(x) = x^2 - R, \quad f'(x) = 2x$

- Iterating the formula

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

- $= x_n - \frac{x_n^2 - R}{2x_n}$

- $= \frac{2x_n^2 - (x_n^2 - R)}{2x_n}$

- $= \frac{x_n^2 + R}{2x_n}$

- $= \frac{1}{2} \left(x_n + \frac{R}{x_n} \right)$

✓ Success

Our formula is gonna be

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(x_n + \frac{R}{x_n} \right)$$

2. (Continuation) Show that if the sequence x_n is defined as in the preceding exercise, then

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

- Using the iteration formula:
 - $X_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(x_n + \frac{R}{x_n} \right)$
 - Square both sides:-
 - $X_{n+1}^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left(x_n^2 + 2R + \frac{R^2}{x_n^2} \right)$
 - Subtract (R)
 - $X_{n+1}^2 - R = \frac{1}{4} \left(x_n^2 - 2R + \frac{R^2}{x_n^2} \right)$
 - $= \frac{(x_n^2 - R)^2}{4x_n^2}$
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13. Each of the following functions has $\sqrt[3]{R}$ as a zero for any positive real number R . Determine the formulas for Newton's method for each and any necessary restrictions on the choice for x_0 .

b. $b(x) = 1/x^3 - 1/R$

- Find the derivative:
 - $b'(x) = -\frac{3}{x^4}$
- Apply Newton's method:
 - $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{b(x_n)}{b'(x_n)}$
 - $= x_n - \frac{\frac{1}{x_n^3} - \frac{1}{R}}{-\frac{3}{x_n^4}}$
 - $= x_n + \frac{x_n^4}{3} \left(\frac{1}{x_n^3} - \frac{1}{R} \right)$
 - $= x_n + \frac{x_n}{3} \left(1 - \frac{x_n^3}{R} \right)$
 - $= x_n + \frac{x_n}{3} - \frac{x_n^4}{3R}$
- Simplified to
 - $= x_n \cdot \frac{4R - x_n^3}{3R}$

✓ Success

So our answer is

$$x_{n+1} = x_n \cdot \frac{4R - x_n^3}{3R}$$

- **Restriction:** Since the derivative $b'(x) = -3/x^4$ is undefined at $x=0$, we must choose an initial guess $x_0 \neq 0$. To converge to the positive cube root, choose $x_0 > 0$.

d. $d(x) = x - R/x^2$

- First, for Newton's method, we need the derivative

- $d'(x) = 1 + 2R/x^3$

- Using the formula

- $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{d(x_n)}{d'(x_n)}$
 - $= x_n - \frac{x_n - R/x_n^2}{1 + 2R/x_n^3}$
 - $= x_n - \frac{x_n^3 - R/x_n^2 \cdot x_n^3}{x_n^3 + 2R}$
 - $= x_n - \frac{x_n^4 - R}{x_n^3 + 2R} = x_n - \frac{x_n(x_n^3 - R)}{x_n^3 + 2R}$
 - $= \frac{x_n(x_n^3 + 2R) - x_n(x_n^3 - R)}{x_n^3 + 2R} = \frac{x_n(x_n^3 + 2R + R - x_n^3)}{x_n^3 + 2R}$
 - $= \frac{x_n(3R)}{x_n^3 + 2R}$
 - $= \frac{3Rx_n}{x_n^3 + 2R}$

✓ **Success**

Our formula is $X_{n+1} = \frac{3Rx_n}{x_n^3 + 2R}$

Restrictions: ($x_0 > 0$).

14. Determine the formulas for Newton's method for finding a root of the function $f(x) = x - e^{x/l}$. What is the behavior of the iterates?

Getting the formula

- First, get the derivative
 - $f'(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{l}e^{x/l}$
- The Newton's iteration:
 - $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$
 - $= x_n - \frac{x_n - e^{x_n/l}}{1 - \frac{1}{l}e^{x_n/l}}$

✓ Success

So, our formula is $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n - e^{x_n/l}}{1 - \frac{1}{l}e^{x_n/l}}$.

- Behavior of the Iterates:
 - For ($l > e$), two roots exist.
 - Convergence depends on (x_0). For ($l \leq e$), iterates might diverge

18. Determine Newton's iteration formula for computing the cube root of N/M for nonzero integers N and M .

To compute the cube root of N/M (with N and M nonzero integers), we solve

$$f(x) = x^3 - \frac{N}{M} = 0,$$

So that

$$f'(x) = 3x^2$$

Newton's iteration is:

- $X_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^3 - \frac{N}{M}}{3x_n^2}$
- $= \frac{3x_n^3 - (x_n^3 - \frac{N}{M})}{3x_n^2}$
- $= \frac{2x_n^3 + \frac{N}{M}}{3x_n^2}$
- Rearranged this to be $\frac{2}{3} x_n + \frac{N}{3M x_n^2}$.

✓ Success

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{2}{3} x_n + \frac{N}{3M x_n^2}$$

25. Newton's method for finding \sqrt{R} is

$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(x_n + \frac{R}{x_n} \right)$. Perform three iterations of this scheme for computing $\sqrt{2}$, starting with $x_0 = 1$, and of the bisection method for $\sqrt{2}$, starting with interval $[1, 2]$. How many iterations are needed for each method in order to obtain 10^{-6} accuracy?

Newton's Method

Starting with $x_0 = 1$.

- First iteration;
 - $X_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{2}{1} \right)$
 - $= \frac{1}{2} (3)$
 - $= 1.5$
- Iteration 2:
 - $X_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1.5 + \frac{2}{1.5} \right)$
 - $= \frac{1}{2} \left(1.5 + 1.33333 \right)$
 - $\approx \frac{2.83333}{2}$
 - $= 1.41667$
- Iteration 3:
 - $X_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left(1.41667 + \frac{2}{1.41667} \right)$.
 - Since $\frac{2}{1.41667} \approx 1.41176$,
 - then $X_3 \approx \frac{1.41667 + 1.41176}{2}$
 - $= 1.414215$.
- Iteration 4:

This one will produce an answer accurate to better than 10^{-6} . The error will be on the

order of 10^{-9} . A lot better than what I need.

✓ Success

So, we need about of Newton's method to guarantee an accuracy of 10^{-6} .

Bisection Method

Interval $([1, 2])$, each iteration halves the error.

The bisection method for $\sqrt{2}$ starts with the interval $[1, 2]$. At each step the error (half the interval length) is reduced by a factor of 2.

So, I'll use logarithms,

- $N > \log_2(10^6)$
- $\approx 6 \log_2(10)$
- $\approx 6(3.32193)$
- ≈ 19.93

✓ Success

So, we need at least **20 iterations** to get an accuracy of 10^{-6} .