

EX.1.1.3, Sauer3

Consider the equations (a) $x^3 = 9$, (b) $3x^3 + x^2 = x + 5$, (c) $\cos^2(x) + 6 = x$.

Starting from an interval of length one that contains a root of the equation, apply two steps of the Bisection Method to find an approximate root within $1/8$ of the true root.

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(a) $x^3 = 9$

We work with $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $x \mapsto x^3 - 9$ and start with $a = 2$ and $b = 3$. (See EX.1.1.1.)

Step 0	$a_0 = 2.000$	$b_0 = 3.000$	
	$f(a_0) = -1.000$	$f(b_0) = 18.000$	(two function evaluations)
		$x_0 = 1.500$	$ x_0 - x_* \leq 0.500 = \frac{1}{2}$
Step 1		$f(x_0) = 6.625$	(one function evaluation)
	$a_1 = 2.000$	$b_1 = 1.000$	
	$f(a_1) = -1.000$	$f(b_1) = 6.625$	
		$x_1 = 2.250$	$ x_1 - x_* \leq 0.250 = \frac{1}{4}$
Step 2		$f(x_1) = 2.391$	(one function evaluation)
	$a_2 = 2.000$	$b_1 = 2.250$	
	$f(a_1) = -1.000$	$f(b_1) = 1.000$	
		$x_2 = 2.125$	$ x_1 - x_* \leq 0.125 = \frac{1}{8}$

The approximate solution $x_2 = 2.125$ is within $1/8$ of the true root.

Comment: Starting with an interval of length one, we needed two steps of the bisection method and four function evaluations to guarantee a forward error of less than $1/8$. This makes sense.

(b) $3x^3 + x^2 = x + 5$

We work with $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $x \mapsto 3x^3 + x^2 - x - 5$ and start with $a = 1$ and $b = 2$. (See EX.1.1.1.)

Step 0	$a_0 = 1.000$	$b_0 = 2.000$	
	$f(a_0) = -2.000$	$f(b_0) = 21.000$	(two function evaluations)
		$x_0 = 1.500$	$ x_0 - x_* \leq 0.500 = \frac{1}{2}$
Step 1		$f(x_0) = 5.875$	(one function evaluation)
	$a_1 = 1.000$	$b_1 = 1.500$	
	$f(a_1) = -2.000$	$f(b_1) = 6.625$	
		$x_1 = 1.250$	$ x_1 - x_* \leq 0.250 = \frac{1}{4}$
Step 2		$f(x_1) = 1.172$	(one function evaluation)
	$a_2 = 1.000$	$b_1 = 1.250$	
	$f(a_1) = -2.000$	$f(b_1) = 1.172$	
		$x_2 = 1.125$	$ x_1 - x_* \leq 0.125 = \frac{1}{8}$

The approximate solution $x_2 = 2.125$ is within $1/8$ of the true root.

(c) $3x^3 + x^2 = x + 5$

We work with $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto \cos^2(x) + 6 - x$ and start with $a = 6$ and $b = 7$. (See EX.1.1.1.)

Step 0	a_0	=	6.000		b_0	=	7.000		
	$f(a_0)$	=	0.922		$f(b_0)$	=	-0.432	(two function evaluations)	
				x_0	=	6.500		$ x_0 - x_\star \leq 0.500 = \frac{1}{2}$	
Step 1				$f(x_0)$	=	0.454		(one function evaluation)	
	a_1	=	6.500		b_1	=	7.000		
	$f(a_1)$	=	0.454		$f(b_1)$	=	-0.432		
				x_1	=	6.750		$ x_1 - x_\star \leq 0.250 = \frac{1}{4}$	
Step 2				$f(x_1)$	=	0.047		(one function evaluation)	
	a_2	=	6.750		b_1	=	7.000		
	$f(a_1)$	=	0.047		$f(b_1)$	=	-0.432		
				x_2	=	6.875		$ x_1 - x_\star \leq 0.125 = \frac{1}{8}$	

The approximate solution $x_2 = 6.875$ is within $1/8$ of the true root.