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## Accelerating Convergence

Two Methods  $\Rightarrow$  Aitken's  $\Delta^2$  Method  
Steffenson's Method

We'd like to have better than linear convergence if possible. Here's a method (Aitken's  $\Delta^2$  method) that can accelerate the convergence.

So suppose  $\{p_n\}$  is a linearly conv. sequence w/  $\gamma < 1$ .

We want to construct a new sequence  $\{\hat{p}_n\}$  that converges faster.

Suppose that  $p_n - p$ ,  $p_{n+1} - p$ , and  $p_{n+2} - p$  all agree on sign. Then

$$\frac{p_{n+1} - p}{p_n - p} \approx \frac{p_{n+2} - p}{p_{n+1} - p}$$

we want to solve for  $p$ .

$$(P_{n+1} - p)^2 = (P_n - p)(P_{n+2} - p)$$

$$P_{n+1}^2 - 2P_{n+1}p + p^2 = P_nP_{n+2} - P_n p - P_{n+2}p + p^2 \quad (\text{Move } p\text{'s to other side})$$

$$P_{n+2}p + P_n p - 2P_{n+1}p = P_nP_{n+2} - P_{n+1}^2$$

$$(P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n)p = P_{n+2}P_n - P_{n+1}^2$$

$$p \approx \frac{P_{n+2}P_n - P_{n+1}^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

To make it easier to use, we're going to do an add zero trick

$$p \approx \frac{\underbrace{(P_{n+2}P_n - 2P_{n+1}P_n + P_n^2)}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{Add zero}}} - \underbrace{(P_{n+1}^2 - 2P_{n+1}P_n + P_n^2)}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{Add zero}}}}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

$$p \approx \frac{p_n(p_{n+2} - 2p_{n+1} + p_n)}{p_{n+2} - 2p_{n+1} + p_n} - \frac{(p_{n+1} - p_n)^2}{p_{n+2} - 2p_{n+1} + p_n}$$

$$p \approx p_n - \frac{(p_{n+1} - p_n)^2}{p_{n+2} - 2p_{n+1} + p_n}$$

Let  $\hat{p}_n = p$ , then the sequence defined by  $\hat{p}_n = p_n - \frac{(p_{n+1} - p_n)^2}{p_{n+2} - 2p_{n+1} + p_n}$   
 converges more rapidly than does the original sequence  $\{p_n\}$

Example : To do AIKENS

In TIPI50, place sequence values in a list, then do:

↓ clear last error

3: list  
 2: 3  
 1: <<DELT>>  
 run DOSUBS

DELT << ERRO → P0 P1 P2  
           << P0 P1 P0 - 2 & P2 2 P1 > - P0 +  
           IFERR / THEN + END - >> >>  
 AIKENS (Nothing else on stack!!)  
         DEPTH1 → LIST  
         << DELT >> DOSUBS >>

$$\text{Use } G = \sqrt{\frac{10}{x+4}}$$

$n$	$P_n$	$\tilde{P}_n$
1	1.41421356237	1.36523476888
2	1.35904021743	1.36523009045
3	1.36601821953	1.36523001466
4	1.36512974147	1.36523001343
5	1.3652427713	1.36523001342
6	1.36522839026	
7	1.36523021993	

DEF : Given a seq.  $\Delta P_n = P_{n+1} - P_n$   
 the forward difference  $\Delta P_n$  is

$$\Delta P_n = P_{n+1} - P_n, \quad n \geq 0.$$

Higher powers are defined recursively:

$$\Delta^k P_n = \Delta(\Delta^{k-1} P_n), \quad \text{for } k \geq 2.$$

It follows that

$$\Delta^2 P_n = \Delta(\Delta P_n) = \Delta(P_{n+1} - P_n) = \Delta P_{n+1} - \Delta P_n = P_{n+1} - P_n + P_{n+1}$$

Note that this means that Aitken's can be written as

$$\hat{P}_n = P_n - \frac{(P_{n-1} - P_n)^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n} = P_n - \frac{(\Delta P_n)^2}{\Delta^2 P_n}$$

Nice & concise!

Aitken's is more rapid in that

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\hat{P}_n - P}{P_n - P} = 0$$

modified      original

By applying Aitken's method, we can accelerate linear to quadratic! This is called Steffenson's Method.

Here's how it works =

1. Apply fixed point method twice to a starting point

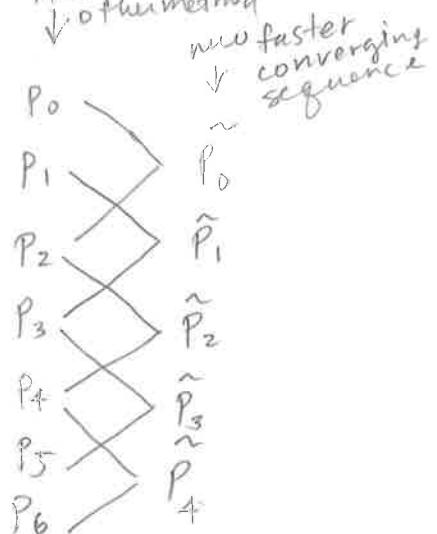
... Aitken's method to those three points.

2. Apply Aitken's  
This point is now our "new starting" point,  
and we go to Step 1. Repeat until convergence

Here's an illustration between the two methods!

### Aitken's $\Delta^2$

fixed pt or some  
 $\downarrow$  of the method



### Steffensen's Method

$$\tilde{P}_0 \quad P_0^{(0)}$$

$$P_1^{(0)} = g(P_0^{(0)})$$

$$P_2^{(0)} = g(P_1^{(0)})$$

$$\tilde{P}_1 \quad P_0^{(1)} = \Delta^2(P_0^{(0)}, P_1^{(0)}, P_2^{(0)})$$

$$P_1^{(1)} = g(P_0^{(1)})$$

$$P_2^{(1)} = g(P_1^{(1)})$$

$$\tilde{P}_2 \quad P_0^{(2)} = \Delta^2(P_0^{(1)}, P_1^{(1)}, P_2^{(1)})$$

Every third term is  
generated using Aitken's

$$f(x) = x^3 - 4x^2 - 10 = 0.$$

Do it using  $g(x) = \left(\frac{10}{x+4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

Do using calc. (or R)

S1X

<< DUP G DUP G DELT >>

DELT  $\Rightarrow$  given before

STEF

<< 0 'c' STO 0 SWAP

DO SWAP DROP DUP DUP G DUP G DELT  
ST

'c' 1 STO+ "1;--" OVER + 9 DISP

UNTIL DUP2 - ABS TOL  $\leq$  C CLIM  $>$  OR END DROP

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