

3.2.1 | $f(x) = x^2 - R \Rightarrow f'(x) = 2x$

Newton's Method: $X_{n+1} = X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(X_n)} \Rightarrow X_{n+1} = X_n - \frac{(X_n^2 - R)}{2X_n}$

$\Rightarrow X_{n+1} = X_n - \frac{X_n}{2} + \frac{R}{2X_n} = \frac{1}{2}X_n + \frac{1}{2}\frac{R}{X_n}$

$\Rightarrow X_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}\left(X_n + \frac{R}{X_n}\right)$

3.2.6 | $f(x) = (x-1)^m, m \in \{8, 12\}$

$\Rightarrow f'(x) = m(x-1)^{m-1}; X_0 = 1.1$

Using a calculator for Newton's method yields up to $n=4$:

$m=8$

$n=0, X_n=1.1, f(X_n)=1.0000 \times 10^{-8}$
 $n=1, X_n=1.0875, f(X_n)=3.4361 \times 10^{-9}$
 $n=2, X_n=1.0766, f(X_n)=1.1807 \times 10^{-9}$
 $n=3, X_n=1.0670, f(X_n)=4.0569 \times 10^{-9}$
 $n=4, X_n=1.0586, f(X_n)=1.3940 \times 10^{-10}$

$m=12$

$n=0, X_n=1.1, f(X_n)=1.0000 \times 10^{-12}$
 $n=1, X_n=1.0917, f(X_n)=3.5200 \times 10^{-13}$
 $n=2, X_n=1.0840, f(X_n)=1.2390 \times 10^{-13}$
 $n=3, X_n=1.0770, f(X_n)=4.3612 \times 10^{-14}$
 $n=4, X_n=1.0706, f(X_n)=1.5351 \times 10^{-14}$

3.2.6 continued

The reason convergence is painfully slow is because $f(x)$ has a root at $x=1$ of multiplicity 8 for $m=8$ and multiplicity 12 for $m=12$ — that is, $f(x)$ shares a root with all derivatives until the 7th and 11th derivatives for $m=8$ and $m=12$ respectively.

~~We can use instead, the modified Newton's method.~~
The multiplicity of the roots causes the convergence of Newton's method to become linear instead of quadratic. However, we can, instead, use the modified Newton's method $(x_{n+1} = x_n - m \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)})$ to recover the quadratic convergence. Indeed, using a calculator:

$m=8$ $n=0, x_n=1.1, f(x_n)=1.000 \times 10^{-8}$
 $n=1, x_n=1.0, f(x_n)=0$

$m=12$ $n=0, x_n=1.1, f(x_n)=1.000 \times 10^{-12}$
 $n=1, x_n=1.0, f(x_n)=0$

3.2.12 a) $X_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3}(2X_n - \frac{r}{X_n^2}) = \frac{1}{3}X_n - \frac{1}{3}X_n + \frac{2}{3}X_n - \frac{1}{3}\frac{r}{X_n^2}$

$$\Rightarrow X_n - \left(\frac{X_n^3 + r}{3X_n^3} \right) = X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(X_n)}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = x^3 + r, f'(x) = 3x^2$$

\therefore For an appropriate choice of a nonzero initial point, the sequence will converge to $X = -(r)^{1/3}$

b) $X_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}X_n + \frac{1}{X_n} = X_n - \frac{1}{2}X_n + \frac{1}{X_n} = X_n - \frac{X_n^2}{2X_n} + \frac{2}{2X_n}$

$$\Rightarrow X_n - \left(\frac{X_n^2 - 2}{2X_n} \right) = X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(X_n)}$$

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

\therefore For an appropriate choice of a nonzero initial point, the sequence will converge to either $X = \sqrt{2}$ or $X = -\sqrt{2}$

3.3.2

$$X_{n+1} = X_n - f(X_n) \left[\frac{X_n - X_{n-1}}{f(X_n) - f(X_{n-1})} \right]$$

$$N_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$$

$$f(x) = x^3 - 2x + 2, \quad X_0 = 0, \quad X_1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(X_0) = 2 \quad f(X_1) = 1 - 2 + 2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow X_2 = 1 - 1 \cdot \left[\frac{1 - 0}{1 - 2} \right] = 1 + 1 \Rightarrow X_2 = 2$$

3.3.11 (i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = r \Rightarrow \left[X_{n+1} = X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(X_n)} \right] \wedge (f'(r) \neq 0), n \in \mathbb{N}_0$

$$\Rightarrow f(r) = 0 \text{ where } f(x) \in C'. \quad (\text{Newton method proof})$$

proof: Suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = r$; then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_{n+1} = r$, so:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_{n+1} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(X_n)} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow r = r - \frac{f(r)}{f'(r)} \Rightarrow -\frac{f(r)}{f'(r)} = 0 \Rightarrow f(r) = 0 \quad \boxed{\text{QED}}$$

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = r \Rightarrow \left[X_{n+1} = X_n - f(X_n) \left[\frac{f(X_n) - f(X_{n-1})}{X_n - X_{n-1}} \right]^{-1} \right] \wedge (f'(r) \neq 0), n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\Rightarrow f(r) = 0 \text{ where } f(x) \in C'; \text{ suppose WLOG, } X_{n-1} \leq X_n. \quad (\text{secant method proof})$$

proof: Suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = r$; then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_{n+1} = r$. By the Mean Value Theorem

$$\text{Since } f(x) \in C', \exists c_n \in (X_{n-1}, X_n): f'(c_n) = \frac{f(X_n) - f(X_{n-1})}{X_n - X_{n-1}}$$

Thus, the secant method sequence becomes $X_{n+1} = X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(c_n)}$ and since $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}, X_{n-1} \leq c_n \leq X_n, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = r$. Therefore:

$$r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(c_n)} \right) = r - \frac{f(r)}{f'(r)} \Rightarrow -\frac{f(r)}{f'(r)} = 0 \Rightarrow f(r) = 0$$

QED

3.3.13] b) For $x_n = \frac{1}{2^n}$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$

Define error as: $|E_n| = |x_n - a|$ where $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a$.

Note that $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, $\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} = \frac{2^n}{2^{n+1}} = \frac{1}{2}$

so $|x_{n+1} - 0| = \frac{1}{2} |x_n - 0| < \frac{3}{4} |x_n - 0|$

$\therefore \exists C \in [0, 1) : |x_{n+1} - 0| \leq C |x_n - 0|$

so $\{x_n\}$ is linearly convergent

d) $a_0 = a_1 = 1$; $a_2 = 2$, $a_3 = 3$, $a_4 = 5$, $a_5 = 8, \dots$

$\Rightarrow a_n \in \{1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots\} \Rightarrow a_n$ is a Fibonacci sequence

$a_{n+1} = a_n + a_{n-1} \Rightarrow \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_{n+1} > a_n$

$x_n = 2^{-a_n} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 0$ since a_n is an increasing sequence.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2^{-a_{n+1}}}{2^{-a_n}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{-a_{n+1} + a_n} = 0$

also note that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|^\alpha} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2^{(\alpha-1)a_n - a_{n+1}}$

so if $\alpha \leq 1$, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|^\alpha} = 0$ and if $\alpha \geq 2$, the limit diverges. There must be some α such that $\frac{|x_{n+1}|}{|x_n|^\alpha}$ converges to a nonzero value, so we can conclude that $1 < \alpha < 2 \Rightarrow \{x_n\}$ is superlinearly convergent