# Root-finding for Nonlinear Equations

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# Many applications

- Physics, e.g., Navier-Stokes equation
- Chemistry, e.g., Density functional theory
- ▶ Biology, e.g., Molecular dynamics
- Finance, e.g., Simulation
- ▶ Data Science, e.g., Machine learning methods

# N-body simulation

▶ N-body problem: Predicting the individual motions of a group of celestial objects interacting with each other gravitationally

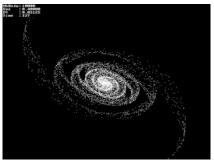


Figure: https: //insidehpc.com/2015/05/direct-n-body-simulation/

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- ▶ **Question**: How to solve the problem? Use computer
- Discretize the equation (what is the best way?)
- Efficient method (can we calculate millions or billions of body movements?)
- Remark: Numerical analysis allows us to do this simulation!



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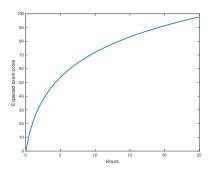
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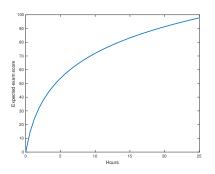
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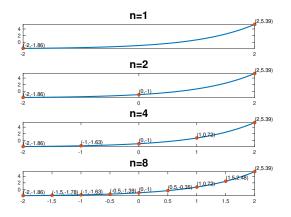
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- lacksquare Suppose the root  $x^*$  is in the interval [a,b]
- Brute force method: Grid searching
- $lackbox{ }$  Calculate  $f(x_i)$  and find  $\arg\min_{x_i}|f(x_i)|$

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- ▶ Intermediate value theorem:  $f(a)f(b) < 0 \Rightarrow x^* \in (a,b)$
- Assumption of the root-finding problems in general:
  - ightharpoonup f is continuous on [a,b]
  - f(a)f(b) < 0
  - ightharpoonup f has exactly one root in [a,b]
- Question: Can we do better than grid searching?



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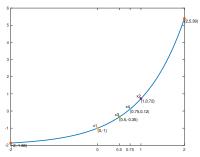
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- ► Def: Bisection method
- ▶ Find the midpoint  $c = \frac{a+b}{2}$ 

  - If f(a)f(c) < 0, then  $x^* \in (a,c)$ , let b = c
  - If f(c)f(b) < 0, then  $x^* \in (c,b)$ , and a = c
  - Repeat
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- E.g. For a = 0, b = 1,  $\epsilon = 10^{-10}$ 
  - Grid searching:  $n > 10^{10}$
  - ▶ Bisection: n > 33

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▶ Suppose p = 1

$$e_1 \le ce_0,$$
  
 $e_2 \le ce_1 \le c^2 e_0,$   
 $e_3 \le ce_2 \le c^2 e_1 \le c^3 e_0,$   
 $\vdots$   
 $e_n \le c^n e_0.$ 

▶ Suppose p = 2

$$e_1 \le ce_0^2,$$

$$e_2 \le ce_1^2 \le c^3 e_0^4,$$

$$e_3 \le ce_2^2 \le c^3 e_1^4 \le c^7 e_0^8,$$

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- ▶ Let  $c^m e_0 = c^{2^n 1} e_0^{2^n}$ , then  $m = \frac{(2^n 1)\log(c) + (2^n 1)\log(e_0)}{\log(c)}$
- ▶ E.g., if  $e_0 = c$ , then  $m = 2^{n+1} 2$
- ▶ E.g., for n = 5, m = 62
- Question: Can we improve the Bisection's method to second order?



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▶ **Mean Value Theorem** (MVT): Let f(x) be continuous for  $a \le x \le b$ , and let it be differentiable for a < x < b. Then there is at least one point  $\xi$  in (a,b) for which

$$f(b) - f(a) = f'(\xi)(b - a).$$

▶ **Taylor's Theorem**: Let f(x) be infinitely continuous differentiable on [a,b], and let  $x,x_0 \in [a,b]$ . Then

$$f(x) = p_n(x) + R_{n+1}(x),$$

$$p_n(x) = f(x_0) + \frac{(x - x_0)}{1!} f'(x_0) + \dots + \frac{(x - x_0)^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x_0),$$

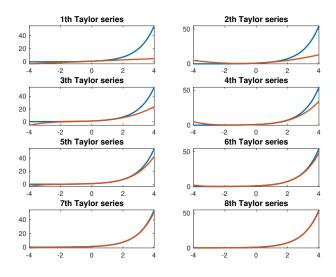
$$R_{n+1}(x) = \frac{(x - x_0)^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(\xi),$$

for some  $\xi$  between  $x_0$  and x.



#### Example

► E.g., 
$$f(x) = e^x = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{k!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \dots$$



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- $f(x_0) = p_n(x_0) = c_0$
- $f'(x_0) = p'_n(x_0) = c_1$
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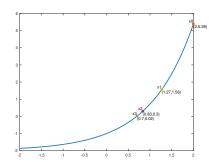


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- Root:  $x^* \approx -1.77$
- $x_0 = 0$
- $1 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 1$
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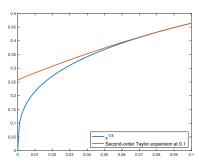
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Question: What is the order of the Secant method?



Notations:

$$f[x_{n-1}, x_n] = \frac{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}{x_n - x_{n-1}}$$

$$f[x_{n-1}, x_n, x_{n+1}] = \frac{f[x_n, x_{n+1}] - f[x_{n-1}, x_n]}{x_{n+1} - x_{n-1}}$$

- Error analysis:

$$x^* - x_{n+1} = x^* - x_n + f(x_n) \cdot \frac{x_n - x_{n-1}}{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}.$$

► By algebraic manipulation (HW)

$$x^* - x_{n+1} = -(x^* - x_{n-1})(x^* - x_n) \frac{f[x_{n-1}, x_n, x^*]}{f[x_{n-1}, x_n]}.$$

Use MVT

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- $Me_3 \le Me_2 \cdot Me_1 \le \delta^3$
- $Me_4 \le Me_3 \cdot Me_2 \le \delta^5$
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#### Newton in 2-d - continued

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- ► E.g. *N*-body simulation

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► Taylor series in 2d:

$$f(x,y) - f(x_0,y_0) \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_0,y_0)(x-x_0) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(x_0,y_0)(y-y_0).$$

Matrix equation for vector functions:

$$\begin{bmatrix} f_1(x,y) - f_1(x_0,y_0) \\ f_2(x,y) - f_2(x_0,y_0) \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1(x_0,y_0)}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_1(x_0,y_0)}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f_2(x_0,y_0)}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial f_2(x_0,y_0)}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x - x_0 \\ y - y_0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- ▶ Inf-norm of a vector  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_{\infty} = \max_{i} |x_{i}|$
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- $\max_{i} |f_{i}(x, y) f_{i}(x_{0}, y_{0})| \leq$   $\max_{i} \left( \left| \frac{\partial f_{i}(x_{0}, y_{0})}{\partial x} \right| + \left| \frac{\partial f_{i}(x_{0}, y_{0})}{\partial y} \right| \right) \max(|x x_{0}|, |y y_{0}|)$
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- $\|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_0)\|_{\infty} \le \|\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{x}_0)\|_{\infty} \|\mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}_0\|_{\infty}$
- ► Can be easily generalized to high-dimensions



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Root-finding problem

Bisection method

Newton's method

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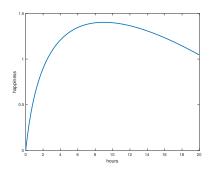
Unconstrained optimization

# Optimization problem

In real-life, many problems are formulated to optimization problem

$$\min_{x} f(x)$$

E.g. happiness vs hours



Question: How to solve this numerically?

# Newton's method for optimization

- ▶ One condition of the minimizer:  $f'(x^*) = 0$
- ▶ Reformulate it to a root-finding problem
- $x_{n+1} = x_n \frac{f'(x_n)}{f''(x_n)}$
- Newton's method is not the most popular method in optimization
- Other methods include gradient descent
- Will cover in optimization courses

