ANALYSIS OF METHODS OF NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

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1. Introduction

This project was prepared with LaTeX for my MATH 153 Honors Contract during the fall semester of 2009. It is supplementary material for the Java programs I wrote to explore the methods of numerical analysis described in Chapter 2 of *Numerical Analysis* by Burden Faires [1].

2. Bisection

The bisection method is a root-finding algorithm. It is an iterative algorithm that works by repeatedly bisecting an interval then selecting the subinterval in which a root is suspected to be. It is a very simple method but the cost of that simplicity is it's relative inefficiency.

2.1. **The Algorithm.** The algorithm takes endpoints a,b; tolerance TOL, and a maximum number of iterations N_0 , as inputs.

```
Require: f(a) and f(b) have opposite signs. i=1

while i \leq N_0 do

p = a + (b-a)/2

if f(p) = 0 or \frac{(b-a)}{2} < TOL then

return p

end if

i = i + 1

if f(a)f(p) > 0 then

a = p

else

b = p

end while

print Method failed to return after N_0 iterations.
```

2.2. **Analysis.** This algorithm relies on the Intermediate Value Theorem which states that if f(x) is continuous for interval [a,b] and f(a) and f(b) have opposite signs then there exists p in interval [a,b] where f(p)=0. This method will, albeit slowly, always converge towards a solution. There are, however, several problems with this method. For one, there could be any number of roots in the interval (a,b). Secondly, more accurate intermediate approximations of the actual root might be inadvertently discarded. Running the algorithm on a computer also raises several other issues, mostly due to floating point arithmetic. When multiplying f(a) by f(p) there is a chance of an underflow to 0 though it is unlikely because both values converge to 0. The second possible problem arises when when the tolerance is too small of a value to be represented correctly with floats or doubles.

3. Newton's Method

Newton's Method is an iterative root-finding algorithm best known for it's successively better approximations. The method works by taking an initial guess which is near the true root then the function is approximated with it's tangent line (using the derivative). The method is repeated using the x-intercept of the tangent line.

3.1. **Algorithm.** This algorithm takes the inputs: initial approximation x_0 , tolerance TOL, maximum number of iterations N_0

```
i=1
while i \leq N_0 do
x = x_0 - f(x_0)/f'(x_0)
if x - x_0 < TOL then
return x
end if
i = i + 1
x_0 = x
end while
print Method failed to return after N_0 iterations.
```

3.2. **Analysis.** The method converges very quickly for most functions given a good first guess and a small interval. The rate of convergence for most functions is at least quadratic near zero, which means the number of correct digits should double every step. Since this function makes use of the tangent line, it can be used to find the maximums and minimums of a function as well since the derivative is 0 at minimums and maximums. There are some difficulties with the method however. First, if the initial guess is too far from the true zero, the method may fail to converge on the correct zero, or even on any zeroes. Secondly, several problems arise from the use of a derivative in the algorithm.

Since derivatives might be computationally and analytically hard to obtain for complex equations, Newton's method may become unwieldy. Obviously if the derivative is 0 the method will not work. Also, if the derivative is very near 0, the tangent line may go past the actual root. If the derivative of the function is not continuous then the method will fail to converge. If the root being sought occurs more than once on the specified interval then it make take many iterations before the algorithm's quadratic convergence speed is obtained. If the derivative is hard to obtain or store, it might be advantageous to use the secant method described in section 4.

Much about the rate of convergence can be found from the derivatives. If the function is continuously differentiable, its derivative is not 0 at the root, and it has a second derivative at 0, then the rate of convergence is quadratic or faster. However, if the second derivative at the root is 0 the rate of convergence is merely quadratic. If the first derivative is 0 then the convergence is linear. In some cases Newton's method will fail to converge if the starting point is not in the interval where the method converges. If this is the case then the bisection method might be used to find a better initial guess. Another problem arises if the starting point causes the method to oscillate from one x intercept to another without ever converging. A simple function where Newton's method fails to converge is $f(x) = \sqrt[3]{x}$. No matter the starting point Newton's method will not converge on the root.

4. Secant Method

The secant method is an iterative root-finding algorithm that uses the roots of secant lines to better approximate the root of a function. Newton's method generally converges faster but the Secant method has the advantage that it does not need to evaluate both f(x) and f'(x) every step. In fact, since the secant method takes one less operation than Newton's method we can perform two steps with the secant method to every one step with Newton's method, which can sometimes be faster.

4.1. **The Algorithm.** This algorithm takes the inputs: initial approximations $x_0, x_1,$ tolerance TOL, and maximum number of iterations N_0

```
i=2, q_0=f(x_0), q_1=f(x_1)
while i \leq N_0 do
  x = x_1 - q_1(x_1 - x_0)/(q_1 - q_0)
  if x - x_1 < TOL then
    return x
  end if
  i = i + 1
  x_0 = x_1, q_0 = q_1, x_1 = x, q_1 = f(x)
end while
print Method failed to return after N_0 iterations.
```

4.2. Analysis. This method is very similar to the method of false position with the only difference being the way the successive terms are defined. There are many interesting things to note about this method. For all functions x_0 and x_1 are interchangeable but that doesn't mean the choice doesn't matter. For some functions like $\sin x$, the choice of the guess determines the speed of convergence. The secant method uses the co-ordinates $(x_{i-1}, f(x_{i-1}))$, the values from the previous iteration. This method does have several pitfalls, however. It does not always converge like the bisection method. The function $xe^{-x} = 0$ with guesses $x_0 = 1.5$ and $x_1 = 2.0$ will fail to converge. With x^3 or $\arctan x$ the method would converge quickly, but if the tolerance was set too high the method would continue to oscillate over 0, never reaching the root (but it would make a really cool picture).

5. Conclusions and Reflections

In conclusion, it seems that if calculating derivatives, either numerically or analytically, is not computationally intensive, Newton's method should have effective results for the majority of the applications. A very good algorithm would have the secant method, Newton's method, and the bisection method all at its disposal and decide which method would converge best for the given iteration. The bisection method can be used as a starter method for many of the other methods to get a good starting approximation.

If I'd had more time on this project I would have liked to improve the GUI. I would also liked to add more methods like the method of false position. I would have liked to include more about the efficiency of the methods as well or offer different versions for execution. Finally, I'd have liked to do more on error analysis.

APPENDIX A. ABSTRACT CODE

AbstractMethod.java

```
/**
1
   * @author Randall Hunt
    */
   public abstract class AbstractMethod {
        {\bf public \  \  static \  \  final \  \  int \  \  DEFAULT\_MAX.ITERATIONS = 100;}
7
        /** finished? */
8
        boolean
                                  finished;
9
        /** solution? */
10
        boolean
                                  foundSolution;
        /** A description of the method */
11
12
        public String
                                  DESCRIPTION;
13
        /** The function f to be used in evaluating */
14
        public F
                                  f;
15
16
17
         * @return foundSolution
18
19
        public boolean foundSolution() {
20
            return foundSolution;
21
        }
22
23
        /**
24
         * @return the finished
25
        public boolean finished() {
26
27
            return finished;
28
        }
29
30
        /**
31
         * @return the currentI
32
33
        public int getCurrentI() {
34
            return currentI;
35
        }
36
37
        int currentI;
38
        /** go forward one iteration */
39
        public abstract void step();
40
41
        /** go backwards one iteration */
42
        public abstract void back();
43
44
45
46
         * print step results
```

```
47  *
48  * @return the stuff to print for this step
49  */
50  public abstract String printStep();
51
52  /**
53  * @return The description of the method in use.
54  */
55  public abstract String getDescription();
56 }
```

```
F. java
   /** All of the functions */
1
   public enum F {
3
       /** x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 */
4
       Poly {
5
            @Override
6
            public double eval(double x) {
7
                return Math.pow(x, 3.0) + 4 * Math.pow(x, 2.0) - 10;
8
9
10
            @Override
            public double deriv(double x) {
11
12
                return 3 * Math.pow(x, 2) + 8 * x;
13
14
15
            @Override
16
            public double integrate(double x, int c) {
17
                return (Math.pow(x, 4) / 4) + (4 * Math.pow(x, 3) / 3) - 10 * x + c;
18
            }
19
20
            @Override
21
            public String getDescription() {
22
                return "x^3 + 4x^2 - 10";
23
            }
24
       },
25
       /** x^2 - 2 */
26
       x2 {
27
            @Override
28
            public double eval(double x) {
                return Math.pow(x, 2.0) - 2;
29
30
            }
31
            @Override
32
33
            public double deriv(double x) {
34
                return 2 * x;
35
36
37
            @Override
            public double integrate(double x, int c) {
38
39
                return (Math.pow(x, 3.0) / 3) - 2 * x + c;
40
41
            @Override
42
43
            public String getDescription() {
44
                return "x^2-2_\n_Use_0_for_Newtons_method_to_get_horizontal_tangent.";
45
            }
        },
46
47
       /** x^3 - 3x + 2 */
48
       x3 {
```

```
49
            @Override
50
            public double eval(double x) {
                return Math.pow(x, 3.0) - 3 * x + 2;
51
52
            }
53
            @Override
54
            public double deriv(double x) {
55
56
                return 3 * Math.pow(x, 2.0) - 3;
57
            }
58
            @Override
59
60
            public double integrate(double x, int c) {
61
                // FIX
                return (Math.pow(x, 4.0) / 4) + c;
62
63
            }
64
            @Override
65
            public String getDescription() {
66
67
                return "x^3-3x+2_\n_Double_root_at_1";
            }
68
69
        },
        /** e ^x */
70
        eX {
71
72
            @Override
73
            public double eval(double x) {
74
                if (x < .5 \&\& x > -.5) {
75
                     return Math.expm1(x) + 1;
76
                }
77
                return Math.exp(x);
78
            }
79
            @Override
80
81
            public double deriv(double x) {
82
                return eval(x);
83
84
85
            @Override\\
            public double integrate(double x, int c) {
86
87
                return eval(x);
88
89
            @Override
90
91
            public String getDescription() {
92
                return "e^x";
93
94
        },
95
        /** 4 arctan */
96
        arctanx {
            @Override
97
```

```
98
             public double eval(double x) {
99
                 return 4 * Math.atan(x);
100
             }
101
102
             @Override
103
             public double deriv(double x) {
                 return 4 / (Math.pow(x, 2.0) + 1);
104
105
             }
106
             @Override
107
             public double integrate(double x, int c) {
108
109
                 // NEEDS FIXING
                 return (x * Math.atan(x) - (.5 * Math.log(Math.pow(x, 2.0) + 1))) + c;
110
111
             }
112
113
             @Override
             public String getDescription() {
114
                 return "4arctan(x) \\n_use_start == 1.5, \_and \_maxIterations == 4_for \_newtons.";
115
116
             }
         },
117
118
119
         /** sin(x) */
120
         sinx {
121
             @Override
122
             public double eval(double x) {
123
                 return Math. sin(x);
124
             }
125
             @Override
126
127
             public double deriv(double x) {
128
                 return Math.cos(x);
129
130
131
             @Override
             public String getDescription() {
132
133
                 return "sin(x)_\n_Newton's_function_can't_decide_which_root.";
134
             }
135
136
             @Override
             public double integrate(double x, int c) {
137
138
                 // FIX
139
                 return 0;
             }
140
141
142
         /** cos(x) - x^3 */
         cosx3 {
143
144
             @Override
145
             public double deriv(double x) {
146
```

```
147
                 return 0;
             }
148
149
             @Override
150
151
             public double eval(double x) {
152
                 return Math. \cos(x) - Math. pow(x, 3.0);
153
154
             @Override
155
             public String getDescription() {
156
                 return "\cos(x) = -x^3";
157
158
159
160
             @Override
             public double integrate(double x, int c) {
161
162
                 // TODO Auto-generated method stub
163
                 return 0;
             }
164
165
166
         };
167
168
169
          * /** returns f(x)
170
171
         public abstract double eval(double x);
172
173
         /** returns the derivative at x */
174
         public abstract double deriv(double x);
175
176
        /** returns the integral at x */
177
         public abstract double integrate(double x, int c);
178
179
        /** A textual description of the function */
180
        public abstract String getDescription();
181
182
        /** Returns the integral with c=0 */
        public double integrate(double x) {
183
184
             return integrate (x, 0);
185
        }
186
187
        /**
188
          * Returns the numerical derivative of the function. More accurate than the
189
          * analytical version for some numbers near 0.
190
          */
191
         public double numDeriv(double x) {
             return (eval(x + BIT) - eval(x - BIT)) / (2 * BIT);
192
193
194
        /** The constant for use with numerical derivation */
195
```

```
196 public static final double BIT = 1e-8; 197 }
```

APPENDIX B. METHODS

Bisection.java

```
1
   /**
    * This method will find a solution to f(x) = 0 given the continuous function f
    * on the interval [a, b] where f(a) and f(b) have opposite signs.
    * @author Randall Hunt
5
6
7
    */
   public class Bisection extends AbstractMethod {
9
        /** Endpoint */
10
        private double a
                                    = 0:
        /** Endpoint */
11
        private double b
12
                                    = 2;
13
        /** Tolerance for error */
14
        private double tolerance = 1E-3;
15
        /** Current Guess */
        private double p
                                    = a + (b - a) / 2.0;
16
17
        /** Maximum number of iterations */
18
        private int
                         max
                                    = 30:
19
20
        /**
21
         * @param a
22
         * @param b
         * @param tolerance
23
24
         * @param max
25
         * @param function
26
         */
        public Bisection (double a, double b, double tolerance, int max, F function) {
27
28
             this.a = a;
29
             this.b = b;
30
             this.p = a + (b - a) / 2.0;
31
             this.tolerance = tolerance;
32
             \mathbf{this} \cdot \max = \max;
             this.f = function;
33
             \mathbf{this}.\mathrm{currentI} = 0;
34
35
             this.finished = false;
             \mathbf{this}.DESCRIPTION =
36
37
                      "This \_method \_ will \_ find \_a \_ solution \_ to \_ f (x) <math>\_ = \_0\_"
                              + "given_the_continuous_function_f_on_the"
38
39
                              + "_interval_[a,_b]_where_f(a)_and_f(b)_have_opposite_signs.";
        }
40
41
        @Override
42
43
        public void step() {
             if (currentI < max && finished != true) {</pre>
44
                 if (Math.abs(b - a) < (2 * tolerance))  {
45
46
                      finished = true;
```

```
foundSolution = true;
47
48
                     return;
49
                 if (f.eval(p) \le 0)
50
51
                     a = p;
52
                 _{
m else}
53
                     b = p;
54
                 p = a + (b - a) / 2;
55
56
                ++currentI;
57
58
            } else {
                 finished = true;
59
60
            }
61
        }
62
        @Override
63
        public String getDescription() {
64
65
            return DESCRIPTION;
66
67
68
        @Override
69
        public void back() {
70
            // TODO Auto-generated method stub
71
72
73
        @SuppressWarnings("boxing")
74
        @Override
75
        public String printStep() {
            return String.format("\n\%d_\n\%12f_\n\%12f_\n\%12f_\n\%12f", currentI, a, b, p, f.eval(p));
76
77
        }
78
79
        /**
80
         * @param args
81
82
        @SuppressWarnings("boxing")
83
        public static void main(String args[]) {
            double a = 0, b = 0, tol = 0;
84
85
            int max = 0;
            F f = F.Poly;
86
            if (args.length == 5) {
87
                 a = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);
88
                 b = Double.parseDouble(args[1]);
89
90
                 tol = Double.parseDouble(args[2]);
91
                 max = Integer.parseInt(args[3]);
92
                 f = F. valueOf(args[4]);
93
            \} else if (args.length == 4) {
94
                 a = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);
                 b = Double.parseDouble(args[1]);
95
```

```
96
                                          tol = Double.parseDouble(args[2]);
  97
                                          \max = Integer.parseInt(args[3]);
  98
                                } else {
                                         printUsageAndExit();
 99
100
101
                                Bisection bisection = new Bisection(a, b, tol, max, f);
                               System.out.println(bisection.getDescription());
102
                               System.out.printf("\%s: \_\%10s: \_\%10s: \_\%10s: \_\%10s: \_\%10s: \_n", "i", "a", "b", "p", "f(p)");
103
                               System.out.printf("-
104
105
                               Long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
106
                               while (!bisection.finished()) {
107
                                          System.out.print(bisection.printStep());
108
109
                                          bisection.step();
110
                               }
                               Long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
111
112
                                if (bisection.foundSolution())
                                          System.out.println("\n\nDone\n_0_found_at:_" + bisection.getP());
113
114
                                else
                                          System.out.println("\n\nUnable_to_find_result_in_" + bisection.getMax()
115
116
                                                             + "_iterations.");
117
                               System.out.println("Execution_took:_" + (endTime - startTime) + "_ms_and_"
118
                                                   + bisection.currentI + "Literations");
119
120
                     }
121
122
                     public static void printUsageAndExit() {
123
                               System.out.println("Usage: _java_Bisection_left_right_tolerance_iterations <= functions tolerance_started functions functions for the started functions and started functions functions for the started functions functions functions for the started functions function functions functions for the started functions function functions functions functions functions function function function functions function fu
                               System.out.println("Optional_parameter_functions_can_be:");
124
125
                                for (F f : F. values())
                                          System.out.println(f.name() + " ====" + f.getDescription());
126
127
                               System.exit(0);
128
                     }
129
130
                     /**
131
                        * @return the a
132
133
                     public double getA() {
134
                               return a;
135
                     }
136
137
                     /**
138
                        * @param a
139
                                                         the a to set
140
                     public void setA(double a) {
141
142
                                this.a = a;
143
                     }
```

144

```
145
         /**
146
          * @return the b
147
148
         public double getB() {
149
             return b;
150
151
         /**
152
153
          * @param b
                         the b to set
154
155
         public void setB(double b) {
156
             \mathbf{this}.b = b;
157
         }
158
159
160
         /**
          * @return the tolerance
161
162
          */
         public double getTolerance() {
163
             return tolerance;
164
165
         }
166
167
         /**
168
          * @param tolerance
169
                         the tolerance to set
170
          */
         public void setTolerance(double tolerance) {
171
172
             this.tolerance = tolerance;
173
         }
174
175
         /**
176
          * @return the p
177
178
         public double getP() {
179
             return p;
180
         }
181
182
         /**
183
          * @param p
184
                        the p to set
185
          */
         public void setP(double p) {
186
             this.p = p;
187
188
         }
189
190
         /**
191
          * @return the max
192
193
         public int getMax() {
```

```
194
                  return max;
195
            }
196
197
            /**
198
             * @param max
199
             * the max to set
             */
200
            \mathbf{public} \ \mathbf{void} \ \operatorname{setMax}(\mathbf{int} \ \operatorname{max}) \ \{
201
                  \mathbf{this} . \max = \max;
202
203
204 }
```

```
Newtons.java
   public class Newtons extends AbstractMethod {
1
2
        private double start
                                       = 0.5;
3
        private double tolerance
                                       = 1e - 14;
4
        private int
                        maxIterations = DEFAULT_MAX_ITERATIONS;
        public F
5
                                       = F. Poly;
6
        public Newtons (double start, double tolerance, int maxIterations, F f) {
7
8
            this.start = start;
9
            this.tolerance = tolerance;
10
            this.maxIterations = maxIterations;
            this.currentI = 1;
11
12
            this.f = f;
        }
13
14
15
        @Override
16
        public void back() {
            // TO-DO
17
18
19
        @Override
20
21
        public String getDescription() {
22
            return null;
23
        }
24
25
        @Override
26
        public String printStep() {
            return String.format("\n%d\%12f", currentI, start);
27
28
        }
29
        @Override
30
31
        public void step() {
32
            if (currentI < maxIterations && finished != true) {</pre>
33
                if (Math.abs(f.eval(start)) < tolerance) {</pre>
                     foundSolution = true;
34
                     finished = true;
35
                     return;
36
37
                }
                start = start - f.eval(start) / f.deriv(start);
38
39
                currentI++;
40
            } else
                finished = true;
41
42
        }
43
        public static void main(String args[]) {
44
            if (args.length != 4) {
45
                printUsageAndExit();
46
47
48
            Newtons newton =
```

```
new Newtons (Double.parseDouble (args [0]), Double.parseDouble (args [1]), In
49
50
                             .parseInt(args[2]), F.valueOf(args[3]));
51
            Long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
            while (!newton.finished()) {
52
53
                System.out.print(newton.printStep());
54
                newton.step();
55
56
            Long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
57
58
            if (newton.foundSolution())
                System.out.println("\n\n_Done._\n_0_found_at:_" + newton.getStart());
59
60
            else
                System.out.println("\n\n_Unable_to_find_result_in_" + newton.getMaxIteration:
61
62
            System.out.println("Execution_took:_" + (endTime - startTime) + "_ms_and_"
63
64
                    + newton.getCurrentI() + "Literations");
65
       }
66
67
       public static void printUsageAndExit() {
68
            System.out.println("Usage: _java_Newton_start_tolerance_iterations _<function>");
69
70
            System.out.println("Optional_parameter_functions_can_be:");
71
            for (F f : F. values())
72
                System.out.println(f.name() + "====" + f.getDescription());
73
            System.exit(0);
74
       }
75
76
        /**
77
        * @return the start
78
79
        public double getStart() {
80
            return start;
81
82
83
        /**
84
        * @param start
85
                       the start to set
86
        */
87
        public void setStart(double start) {
88
            this.start = start;
89
90
91
92
        * @return the tolerance
93
       public double getTolerance() {
94
95
            return tolerance;
96
        }
```

97

```
/**
98
          * @param tolerance
99
100
                       the tolerance to set
101
         */
        public void setTolerance(double tolerance) {
102
103
             this.tolerance = tolerance;
104
        }
105
        /**
106
107
         * @return the maxIterations
108
        public int getMaxIterations() {
109
            return maxIterations;
110
111
112
113
        /**
114
         * @param maxIterations
115
                       the maxIterations to set
116
        public void setMaxIterations(int maxIterations) {
117
118
             this.maxIterations = maxIterations;
119
        }
120 }
```

```
Secant.java
1
   /**
2
    * @author Randall Hunt
3
    */
   public class Secant extends AbstractMethod {
5
        private double tolerance;
6
        private double x0;
7
        private double x1;
8
        private double x;
9
        private double q0;
10
        private double q1;
11
        private int
                        maxIterations;
12
        public F
13
                        f ;
14
15
        public Secant (double x0, double x1, double tolerance, int maxIterations, F f) {
16
            \mathbf{this} \cdot \mathbf{x0} = \mathbf{x0};
17
            this.x1 = x1;
18
            this.tolerance = tolerance;
19
            this.maxIterations = maxIterations;
20
            this.currentI = 2;
21
            this.f = f;
22
            \mathbf{this}.q0 = f.eval(x0);
23
            \mathbf{this}. q1 = f. eval(x1);
24
        }
25
26
        /**
27
         * @param args
28
         */
29
        public static void main(String[] args) {
            if (args.length != 5) {
30
31
                 printUsageAndExit();
32
33
            Secant secant =
34
                     new Secant (Double.parseDouble (args [0]), Double.parseDouble (args [1]), Dou
                              . parseDouble(args[2]), Integer.parseInt(args[3]), F.valueOf(args
35
            Long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
36
37
            while (!secant.finished()) {
38
                 System.out.println(secant.printStep());
39
                 secant.step();
40
41
            Long endTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
42
            if (secant.foundSolution())
43
44
                 System.out.println("\n\n_Done._\n_0_found_at:_" + secant.getX1());
45
            else
                 System.out.println("\n\n\_Unable\_to\_find\_result\_in\_" + secant.getMaxIterations
46
47
48
            System.out.println("Execution_took:_" + (endTime - startTime) + "_ms_and_"
```

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49
                    + secant.getCurrentI() + "_iterations");
        }
50
51
52
        public static void printUsageAndExit() {
53
            System.out.println("Usage: _java_Secant_x0_x1_tolerance_iterations _<function>");
            System.out.println("Optional_parameter_functions_can_be:");
54
            for (F f : F. values())
55
                System.out.println(f.name() + "_=_" + f.getDescription());
56
57
            System.exit(0);
        }
58
59
        @Override
60
        public void back() {
61
            // TODO
62
63
64
        @Override
65
        public String getDescription() {
66
67
            // TODO Auto-generated method stub
68
            return null;
        }
69
70
71
        @Override
72
        public String printStep() {
73
            return String.format("\n%d_\%15f_\%15f", currentI, x1, f.eval(x1));
74
        }
75
        @Override
76
77
        public void step() {
78
            x = x1 - q1 * (x1 - x0) / (q1 - q0);
79
            if (currentI < maxIterations && finished != true) {</pre>
                if (Math.abs(x - x1) < tolerance) {
80
81
                     foundSolution = true;
82
                     finished = true;
83
                     return;
84
85
                currentI++;
86
                x0 = x1;
87
                q0 = q1;
88
                x1 = x;
89
                q1 = f.eval(x);
90
            } else
91
                finished = true;
92
        }
93
94
        /**
95
         * @return the tolerance
96
        public double getTolerance() {
97
```

```
98
              return tolerance;
          }
 99
100
101
          /**
102
           * @param tolerance
                          the tolerance to set
103
104
           */
          public void setTolerance(double tolerance) {
105
               this.tolerance = tolerance;
106
107
108
109
          /**
           * @return the x0
110
111
          public double getX0() {
112
113
              return x0;
114
115
116
          /**
117
           * @param x0
                           the x0 to set
118
119
          public void setX0(double x0) {
120
               \mathbf{this} \cdot \mathbf{x0} = \mathbf{x0};
121
122
          }
123
124
          /**
125
           * @return the x1
126
           */
          public double getX1() {
127
128
              return x1;
129
130
131
132
           * @param x1
133
                          the x1 to set
134
          public void setX1(double x1) {
135
136
               \mathbf{this} \cdot \mathbf{x}1 = \mathbf{x}1;
137
          }
138
139
140
           * @return the maxIterations
141
142
          public int getMaxIterations() {
              return maxIterations;
143
144
          }
145
146
          /**
```

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