

Secant

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Algorithm 1 Secant

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1: procedure SECANT
2:    $tol, x_0, x_1, niter$ 
3:    $fx_0 = f(x_0)$ 
4:   if  $fx_0 = 0$  then
5:      $X_0$  is a root
6:   else
7:      $fx_1 = f(x_1)$ 
8:      $cont = 0$ 
9:      $error = tol + 1$ 
10:     $den = fx_1 - fx_0$ 
11:    while  $error > tol$  and  $fx_1 \neq 0$  and  $den \neq 0$  and  $cont < niter$  do
12:       $x_2 = x_1 - \frac{fx_1 * (x_1 - x_0)}{den}$ 
13:       $error = |x_2 - x_1|$ 
14:       $x_0 = x_1$ 
15:       $fx_0 = fx_1$ 
16:       $x_1 = x_2$ 
17:       $fx_1 = f(x_1)$ 
18:       $den = fx_1 - fx_0$ 
19:       $cont = cont + 1$ 
20:    end while
21:    if  $fx_1 = 0$  then
22:       $x_1$  is a root
23:    else if  $error < tol$  then
24:       $X_1$  is an approximation with a tolerance =  $tol$ 
25:    else if  $den = 0$  then
26:      There is a possible multiple root
27:    else
28:      Fail after  $niter$  iterations
29:    end if
30:  end if
31: end procedure
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