

# CS770: Assignment 3

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## 1 Question 1

### 1.1 Question 1a

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function [X,errors] = newtons(f,d,x0,tol,maxiter)
% f is the input function, in our implementation, it's a string
% d is the input derivative, in our implementation, it's a string
% x0 is the initial guess of the root
% tol is the error tolerance
% maxiter is the maximum iteration

    switch nargin
        case 3
            tol = 10^-4;
            maxiter = 10000;
        case 4
            tol = 10^-4;
    end
    % the default tolerance is set to be 10^-4
    % the default maximum iteration is set to be 10000

    f = inline(f);
    d = inline(d);
    %change the text version of the function and derivative
    %to numerical version

    X = [];
    X = [X x0];
    errors = [];
    x1 = x0 - f(x0)./d(x0);
    X = [X x1];
    errors = [errors abs(x1-x0)];
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k = 1;
while (errors(k) > tol) && (k <= maxiter)
    x0 = X(k+1);
    tempX = x0 - f(x0)./d(x0);
    %calculate the next value
    errors = [errors abs(tempX - X(end))];
    X = [X tempX];
    k = k+1;
end

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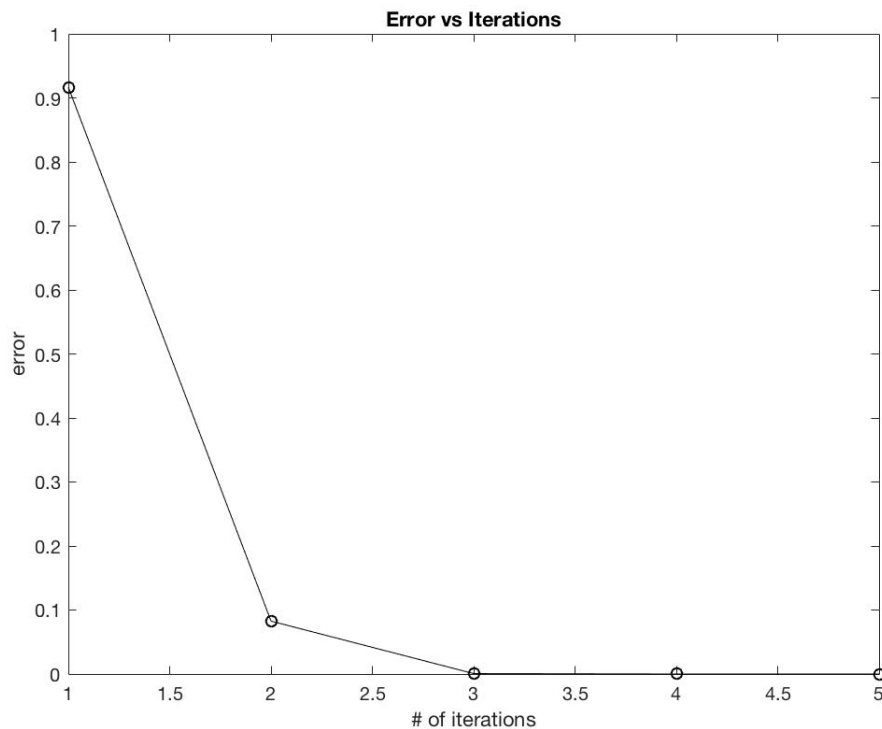
end

## 1.2 Question 1b

In my Newton's method, I set the tolerance of error to be  $10^{-4}$  and the maximum number of iteration to be  $10^4$ .

- Newton's Method Converges Well:

$$f(x) = x^2 - 10x, d(x) = 2x - 10, x_0 = 11$$



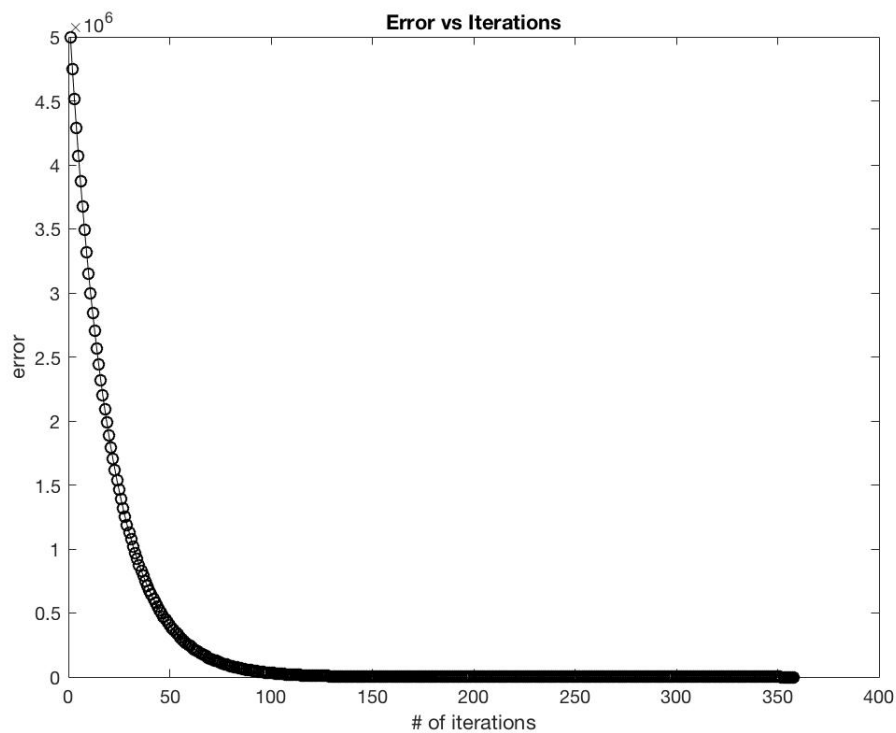
- Newton's Method Doesn't Converges:

$$f(x) = x^2 + 10, d(x) = 2x$$

Since  $f(x)$  has no roots on its domain, whatever  $x_0$  is chosen,  $x$  won't converge.

- Newton's Method Converges Slowly:

$$f(x) = x^{20} - 100, d(x) = 20x^{19}, x_0 = 100000000$$



## 2 Question 2

### 2.1 Question 2a

$$f(x) = (x-1)^2 e^x, d(x) = 2(x-1)e^x + (x-1)^2 e^x$$

Therefore, when  $x \neq 1$ ,  $d(x) \neq 0$ , therefore, Newton's iteration is well defined for  $x \neq 1$ .

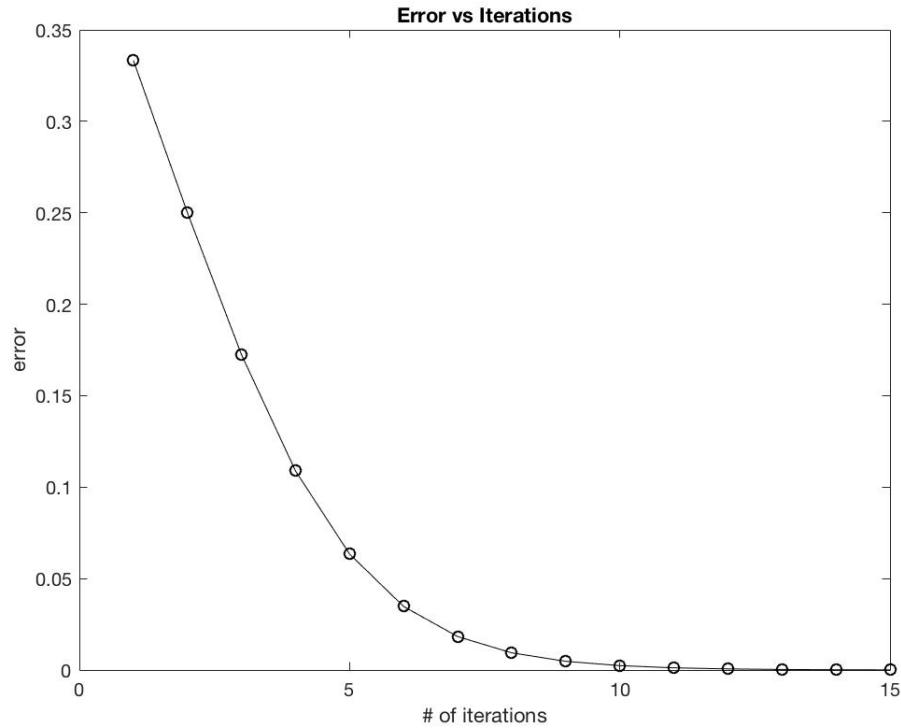
$$f(x^*) = f(x_k) + (x^* - x_k)f'(x_k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon)(x^* - x_k)^2}{2} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_{k+1} &= x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{d(x_k)} \\
x_{k+1} - x_k &= -\frac{f(x_k)}{d(x_k)} \\
f(x_k) &= -(x_{k+1} - x_k)f'(x_k), \text{ where } f'(x_k) = d(x_k) \\
f(x^*) &= f(x_k) + (x^* - x_k)f'(x_k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon)(x^* - x_k)^2}{2} = 0 \text{ can be rewritten as} \\
f(x^*) &= -(x_{k+1} - x_k)f'(x_k) + (x^* - x_k)f'(x_k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon)(x^* - x_k)^2}{2} = 0 \\
f(x^*) &= (x^* - x_{k+1})f'(x_k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon)(x^* - x_k)^2}{2} = 0 \\
\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|e_{k+1}|}{|e_k|^2} &= \frac{f''(x^*)}{2f'(x^*)} = C
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, this is a second order method. Beside, since  $x_{k+1} = \frac{x_k^2 + 1}{x_k + 1}$ , this method will converge slowly when  $x$  is big.

## 2.2 Question 2b

When  $x_0 = 2$ ,



$\frac{f(x_{old})}{d(x_{old})}$  can be written as  $1 - \frac{2}{x+1}$ , let  $s(x) = x - (1 - \frac{2}{x+1})$ , then  $s(x) = \frac{x^2+1}{x+1}$ , then  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} s(x) = 1 - \frac{2}{(x+1)^2}$ , as we can see here, when  $x$  is large,  $f(x)$  converges slowly, as  $x$  decreases,  $f(x)$  converges faster.

### 3 Question 3

#### 3.1 Question 3a

If a polynomial has a multiple root at  $x^*$ , then its derivative also has root(s) at  $x^*$ . If the multiplicity of root  $x^*$  for polynomial  $f(x)$  is  $m$ , then the multiplicity of root  $x^*$  for  $f'(x)$  is  $m - 1$ . Therefore, the multiplicity of root  $x^*$  for  $w(x) = f(x)/f'(x)$  is 1, so  $w(x)$  has a simple root at  $x^*$ .

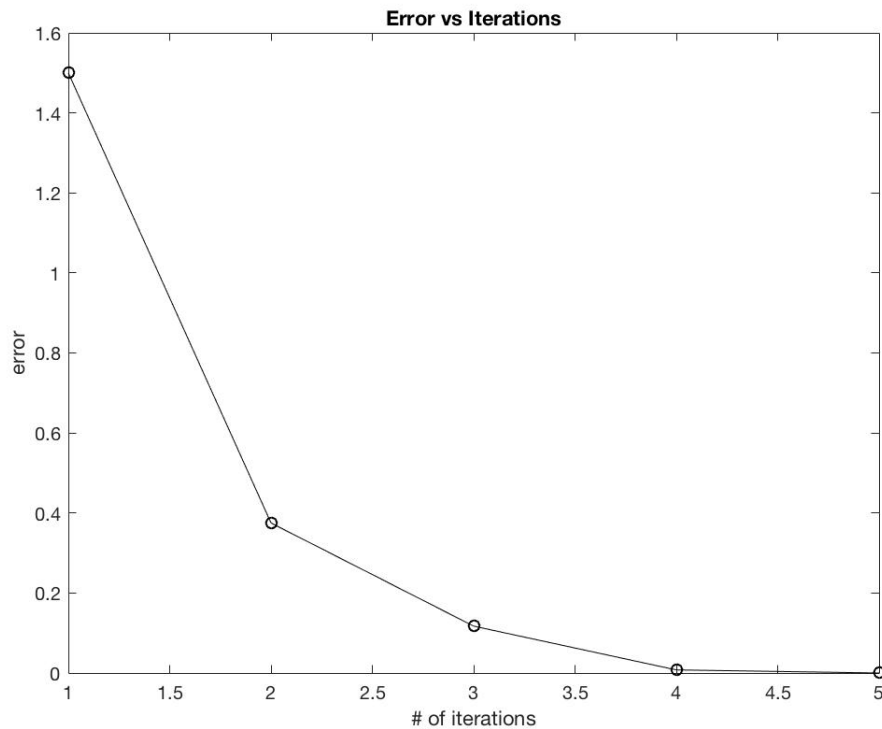
#### 3.2 Question 3b

$$w(x) = f(x)/f'(x), w'(x) = \frac{f'(x)f'(x) - f(x)f''(x)}{f'(x)^2}$$

For the update:  $x = x_0 - w(x_0)/w'(x_0)$ , where  $x_0$  is the value before update

$$\text{To simplify this equation, } x = \frac{f(x)f'(x)}{f'(x)f'(x) - f(x)f''(x)}$$

#### 3.3 Question 3c



Compared to Newton's method, this method converges much faster, however, this method requires the computation of the second derivative which means more calculation is required.

## 4 Question 4

Proof:

$$x^{k+1} = x^k - f(x^k) \frac{f(x^k)}{f(x^k + f(x^k)) - f(x^k)}$$

$$\text{Let } F(x^k) = x^k - f(x^k) \frac{f(x^k)}{f(x^k + f(x^k)) - f(x^k)}, \text{ then } x^{k+1} = F(x^k)$$

$$\text{By Taylor's Series, } f(x^k + f(x^k)) = f(x^k) + f'(x^k)f(x^k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon_k)}{2}f^2(x^k)$$

$$F(x^k) = x^k - \frac{f(x^k)}{f'(x^k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon_k)}{2}f(x^k)}$$

$$e_k = x^* - x_k$$

$$e_{k+1} = x^* - x_{k+1} = F(x^*) - F(x_k) = x^* - x_k + \frac{f(x^k)}{f'(x^k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon_k)}{2}f(x^k)}$$

$$e_{k+1} = \frac{f(x^k) + f'(x^k)(x^* - x_k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon_k)}{2}f(x^k)(x^* - x_k)}{f'(x^k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon_k)}{2}f(x^k)}$$

Since  $f(x^*) = 0$ , by Taylor's series, we have:

$$0 = f(x_k) + f'(\epsilon_k^*)(x^* - x_k)$$

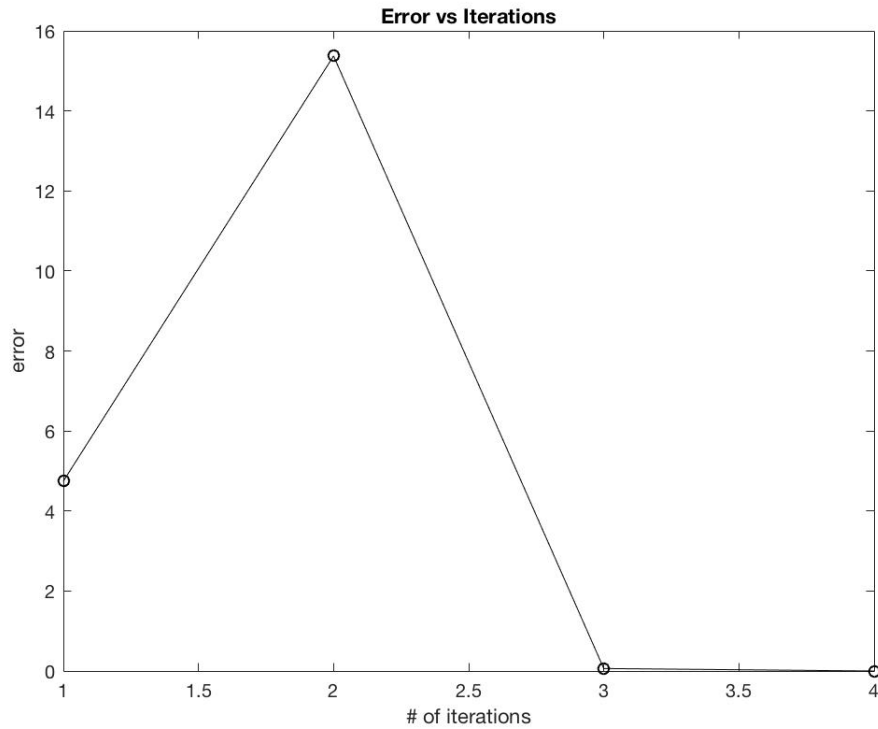
$$\text{Overall, we have } e_{k+1} = -\frac{\frac{f''(\epsilon_k^*)}{2}(x^* - x_k)^2 + \frac{f''(\epsilon_k)}{2}f'(\epsilon_k^*)(x^* - x_k)^2}{f'(x^k) + \frac{f''(\epsilon_k)}{2}f(x^k)}$$

We can see  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|e_{k+1}|}{|e_k|^2}$  is a constant

Therefore, Steffensen's method is a second-order method. Proof DONE.

Example:

$x_0$  was chosen to be 2,  $x$  is converged to 12.566374101689368.



Compared to Secant method, Steffensen's method requires the calculation of  $f(x_k + f(x_k))$  while Secant method only evaluates  $f(x_k)$  within each iteration. Therefore, Secant is more efficient in terms of the required number of function evaluations.

## 5 Question 5

For this question, we also set the tolerance to be  $10^{-4}$ , the maximum iteration to be  $10^4$ . And  $\alpha_1 = -1$ ,  $\alpha_2 = 2$ .

•  $\phi(x) = x^2 - 1$

Result:  $\phi(x)$  doesn't converge.

$$\phi'(x) = 2x$$

$$\phi'(\alpha_1) = -2, \phi'(\alpha_2) = 4$$

$$|(\phi'(\alpha_1))| = 2 > 1, |(\phi'(\alpha_2))| = 4 > 1$$

Therefore, there is no convergence to  $\alpha_1$  nor  $\alpha_2$  with  $\phi(x)$

•  $\phi(x) = \sqrt{2+x}$

Result:  $\phi(x)$  only converges to  $\alpha_2$ .

$$\phi'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(2+x)^{-0.5}$$

$$\phi'(\alpha_1) = \frac{1}{2}, \phi'(\alpha_2) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$|(\phi'(\alpha_1))| = 0.5 < 1, |(\phi'(\alpha_2))| = 0.25 < 1$$

However,  $\phi(\alpha_1) \neq \alpha_1$

Therefore, it only converges to  $\alpha_2$  with  $\phi(x)$ .

•  $\phi(x) = -\sqrt{2+x}$

Result:  $\phi(x)$  only converges to  $\alpha_1$ .

$$\phi'(x) = -\frac{1}{2}(2+x)^{-0.5}$$

$$\phi'(\alpha_1) = -\frac{1}{2}, \phi'(\alpha_2) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$|(\phi'(\alpha_1))| = 0.5 < 1, |(\phi'(\alpha_2))| = 0.25 < 1$$

However,  $\phi(\alpha_2) \neq \alpha_2$

Therefore, it only converges to  $\alpha_1$  with  $\phi(x)$ .

•  $\phi(x) = 1 + \frac{2}{x}$

Result:  $\phi(x)$  only converges to  $\alpha_2$ .

$$\phi'(x) = \frac{-1}{x^2}$$

$$\phi'(\alpha_1) = -1, \phi'(\alpha_2) = \frac{-1}{4}$$

$$|(\phi'(\alpha_1))| = 1, |(\phi'(\alpha_2))| = \frac{-1}{4} < 1$$

Therefore, it only converges to  $\alpha_2$  with  $\phi(x)$ .

## 6 Question 6

Mueller Method READ.