

About Convergence Rates

Demo: Rates of Convergence [cleared]

Characterize linear, quadratic convergence in terms of the 'number of accurate digits'.

- Linear.

$$\|e_{k+1}\| \leq c \cdot \|e_k\|, \quad c \in (0, 1)$$

each iter gains constant number of digits

- Quadratic.

$$\|e_{k+1}\| \leq c \cdot \|e_k\|^2$$

Stopping Criteria

Comment on the 'foolproof-ness' of these stopping criteria:

1. $|f(x)| < \varepsilon$ ('residual is small')
2. $\|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k\| < \varepsilon$
3. $\|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k\| / \|\mathbf{x}_k\| < \varepsilon$



2. not relative



No 'silver bullet'

Bisection Method

Demo: Bisection Method [cleared]

What's the rate of convergence? What's the constant?

Linear, $\frac{1}{2}$

Fixed Point Iteration

$$f(x) = 0$$
$$x^2 - x - 2 = 0$$

$$x_0 = \langle \text{starting guess} \rangle$$

$$x_{k+1} = g(x_k)$$

$$x^2 - 2 = x$$
$$g(x)$$

Demo: Fixed point iteration [cleared]

When does fixed point iteration converge? Assume g is smooth.

Let x^* be the fixed point $x^* = g(x^*)$
If $|g'(x)| < 1$ at the FP, then there's a nbh with conv.

$$e_{k+1} = x_{k+1} - x^* = g(x_k) - g(x^*)$$

Fixed Point Iteration: Convergence cont'd.

Error in FPI: $e_{k+1} = x_{k+1} - x^* = g(x_k) - g(x^*) \leftarrow$

$$g(x_k) - g(x^*) = g'(\theta_k) \cdot (x_k - x^*) = g'(\theta_k) \cdot e_k$$

$$e_{k+1} = g'(\theta_k) \cdot e_k \quad \theta_k \in (x_k, x^*)$$

\Rightarrow Linear convergence with constant from upper bound of g'

What if $g'(x^*) = 0$?

$$\begin{aligned} g(x_k) - g(x^*) &= g''(\eta_k) \cdot \frac{(x_k - x^*)^2}{2} \\ &= g''(\eta_k) \frac{e_k^2}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Newton's Method

Derive Newton's method.

$$f(x_k) + f'(x_k) \cdot h = 0 \Leftrightarrow h = - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}$$

$x_0 =$ (starting guess)

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + h = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}$$

Convergence and Properties of Newton

What's the rate of convergence of Newton's method?

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} = g(x_k)$$
$$g'(x) = 1 - \frac{f'(x) \cdot f'(x) - f(x) f''(x)}{(f'(x))^2} = \frac{f(x) f''(x)}{(f'(x))^2}$$

Handwritten notes: $x = x^*$ (orange), \rightarrow (orange), \rightarrow (orange), $\neq 0 \Rightarrow$ quadratic (orange)

Drawbacks of Newton?

- only good with good initial guess.
- need $f'(x)$.

Demo: Newton's method [cleared]

Demo: Convergence of Newton's Method [cleared]

Secant Method

What would Newton without the use of the derivative look like?

$$f'(x_k) \approx \frac{f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})}{x_k - x_{k-1}}$$



$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{\frac{f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})}{x_k - x_{k-1}}}$$

Convergence of Properties of Secant

Rate of convergence (not shown) is $(1 + \sqrt{5}) / 2 \approx \underline{1.618}$.

Drawbacks of Secant?

- local.
- 2 inits needed.

Demo: Secant Method [cleared]

Demo: Convergence of the Secant Method [cleared]

Secant (and similar methods) are called Quasi-Newton Methods.

Root Finding with Interpolants

Secant method uses a linear interpolant based on points $f(x_k)$, $f(x_{k-1})$, could use more points and higher-order interpolant:



What about existence of roots in that case?



Achieving Global Convergence

The linear approximations in Newton and Secant are only good locally.
How could we use that?



In-Class Activity: Nonlinear Equations

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