

Proof

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \Rightarrow$$

$$g(x) = x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$$

$$f(\alpha) = 0, \quad f'(\alpha) \neq 0$$

We showed

$$g'(\alpha) = \frac{f(x) f''(x)}{(f'(x))^2} \Big|_{x=\alpha} = 0$$

Since $f(x)$, $f'(x)$, $f''(x)$ are continuous functions, $g'(x)$ is

also continuous. Therefore, there exists

a small interval containing $x = \alpha$ on

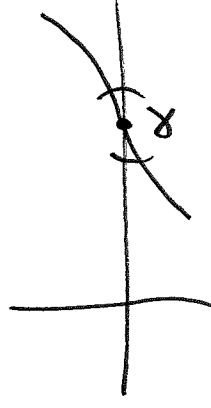
which $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$, i.e. $g'(x)$ is close to 0,

since $g'(x) \Big|_{x=\alpha} = 0$.

By fixed point convergence

obtained using Newton's method with $g(x) = x - \frac{f(x)}{f'(x)}$ will converge \wedge if x_0 is chosen sufficiently close to α ,

i.e. x_0 has to be inside that small interval. \square



Thm Order of convergence of Newton's Method

Suppose that $f \in C^2[a, b]$, $f(\alpha) \neq 0$, x_0 is sufficiently close to α . Then Newton's method converges quadratically, i.e.

$$|\alpha - x_{n+1}| \leq C |\alpha - x_n|^2$$

Proof

Expand $f(x)$ in the neighborhood of $x = x_n$.

$$0 = f(\alpha) = f(x_n) + f'(x_n) \cdot (\alpha - x_n) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2!} (\alpha - x_n)^2 + \frac{1}{f'(x_n)}$$

ξ is between α and x_n

$$0 = \left(\frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} + (\alpha - x_n) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2f'(x_n)} (\alpha - x_n)^2 \right)$$

Newton's method: $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = x_n - x_{n+1}$$

$$0 = (x_n - x_{n+1}) + (\alpha - x_n) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2f'(x_n)} (\alpha - x_n)^2$$

$$0 = (\alpha - x_{n+1}) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2f'(x_n)} (\alpha - x_n)^2$$

$$\therefore \alpha - x_{n+1} = - \frac{f''(\xi)}{2f'(x_n)} (\alpha - x_n)^2$$

$$|\alpha - x_{n+1}| \leq C \cdot |\alpha - x_n|^2$$

$$\text{where } C = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} \frac{|f''(x)|}{2|f'(x)|}$$

$$\text{or } C = \frac{\max |f''(x)|}{2 \cdot \min |f'(x)|}$$

Note

We showed that

$$\alpha - x_{n+1} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(\xi)}{f'(x_n)} (\alpha - x_n)^2 \approx -\frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(\alpha)}{f'(\alpha)} (\alpha - x_n)^2 = M (\alpha - x_n)^2$$

where

$$M = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{f''(\alpha)}{f'(\alpha)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - x_{n+1} \approx M(\alpha - x_n)^2 \quad | \cdot M$$

$$M(\alpha - x_{n+1}) \approx [M(\alpha - x_n)]^2 = \dots = [M(\alpha - x_0)]^{2^{n+1}}$$

α : root, x_0 : initial guess, M : const

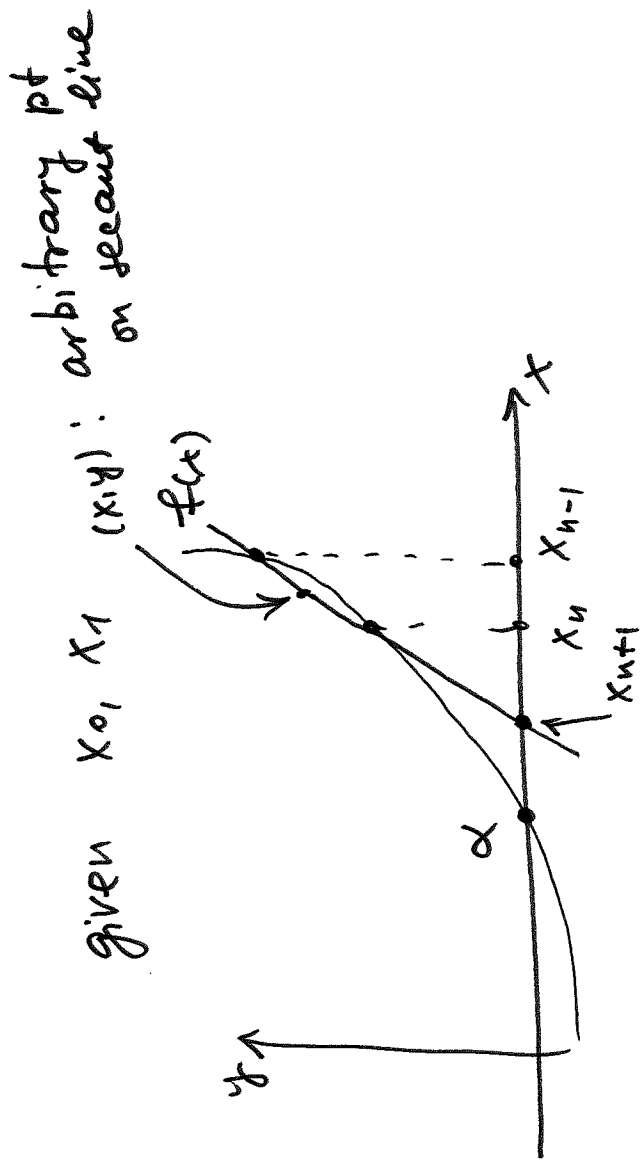
For convergence we need $|M(\alpha - x_0)| < 1$.

Note if $|M|$ is large, then x_0 may need to be very close to α for convergence.

Secant Method

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

Geometrically:



Slope of secant line:

$$\frac{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}{x_n - x_{n-1}}$$

Equation of secant line

$$y - f(x_n) = \frac{f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})}{x_n - x_{n-1}} (x - x_n)$$

Set $y=0$ and $x = x_{n+1}$ and solve

for x_{n+1} : as above

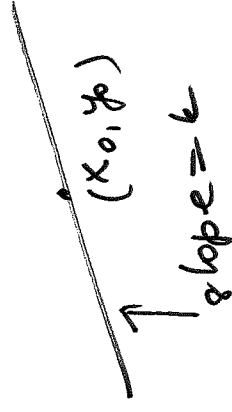
Note It can be shown that $|x - x_n| \leq C \cdot |x - x_{n-1}|^p$: super-linear convergence

1. It can be shown that $p = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \sim 1.6$: golden ratio

2. Secant method converges more slowly than Newton's method but faster than fixed-point iteration (in general).

3. Secant method has 1 function evaluation per iteration.

$$y - y_0 = k(x - x_0)$$



Summary

1. Bisection

- linear convergence
- guaranteed to converge
- do not need $f'(x)$

2. Secant method

- super-linear convergence
- convergence depends on initial guesses x_0 and x_1
- do not need $f'(x)$

3. Newton's method

- converges quadratically (if root α is simple)
- convergence depends on x_0
- need to know $f'(x)$

Linear Systems of Equations

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n = b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n = b_2$$

$$\dots$$

$$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a_{nn}x_n = b_n$$

n equations, n unknowns x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j = b_i, \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix}}_x = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}}_b$$

a_{ij} : i^{th} row, j^{th} column

$$\Rightarrow AX = b, \quad A = (a_{ij})$$

Thm

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. The following statements are equivalent.

1. The equation $Ax = b$ has a unique solution for any b .
2. $\det A \neq 0$
3. Matrix A is invertible