

## ch 2 Solutions of Nonlinear Equations $f(x) = 0$ .

2.1 To solve  $f(x) = 0$ , we solve  $g(x) = x$  where we assume that  $f(x) = g(x) - x = 0$ .

Def: (Fixed point): A real number  $p$  is called a fixed point of  $g(x)$  iff  $g(p) = p$ .

Note: Finding the roots of  $f(x) = 0$  is equivalent to finding the fixed point of  $g(x)$ .

Example: Find the fixed points of:

1)  $g(x) = x^3 \Rightarrow x^3 = x \Rightarrow x(x^2 - 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \{0, 1, -1\}$

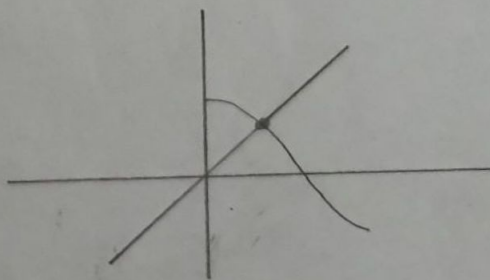
2)  $g(x) = x^2 + 1 \Rightarrow$  No fixed point

3)  $g(x) = x \Rightarrow$  Infinitely many fixed points

4) what about  $\cos x = x$ , we can't solve it

so we sketch:

so we conclude that  $\exists$  fixed point



## Fixed point Iteration:

How to solve  $g(x) = x$ ?

We start with  $P_0$ , then we define:

$$P_1 = g(P_0)$$

$$P_2 = g(P_1)$$

$$\vdots$$
$$P_n = g(P_{n-1})$$

$$P_{n+1} = g(P_n)$$

$n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

We call this process fixed point Iteration.

Thm: If  $g$  is continuous and the sequence generated

by the fixed point iteration converges to  $P$ , then

the number  $P$  is the fixed point of  $g$  ( $g(P) = P$ )

Proof:

$$P = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g(P_n) = \underset{\text{Continuity}}{g(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n)} = g(P)$$

If  $P_0 = 3 \Rightarrow g(3) = -3$  &  $g(-3) = -3$

Example:

$$x^2 - x - 12 = 0, \text{ the roots are } 4 \text{ and } -3$$

① If we assume  $g(x) = x^2 - 12$ , then  $f(x) = 0$

is equivalent to  $f(x) = g(x) - x = 0 \Leftrightarrow g(x) = x$ .

If  $P_0 = 5$ , then  $P_1 = 13$ ,  $P_2 = 157$ ,  $P_3 = 24637$

so the sequence is diverge, (bad choose of  $g(x)$ )

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x = \sqrt{x+12}$$

$$\text{If } \boxed{P_0 = 5}, \text{ then } P_1 = \sqrt{17} \approx 4.1231$$

$$P_2 = 4.0154$$

⋮

$$P_9 = 4.000000007 \longrightarrow \text{Converge to 4}$$

Since the sequence converges to 4, then 4 is fixed point

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x(x-1) = 12 \implies x = \frac{12}{x-1}$$

$$\text{If } \boxed{P_0 = 5}, \text{ then } P_1 = 3, \quad P_2 = 6$$

$$P_3 = 2.64, \quad P_4 = 8.57$$

$$P_5 = \dots, \quad P_6 = 20.5$$

$$P_7 = 0.6, \quad P_8 = -30$$

⋮

$$P_{26} = -3.0317$$

⋮

$$P_{36} = -3.00178 \longrightarrow \text{conver to } -3$$

$\implies -3$  is a fixed point.

Note: 1) F.P. I can't solve all questions

2) F.P. I needs a lot of iteration terms.

We always ask:

Is there a solution? does this solution is unique?

does the F.P. I converges to the fixed point?

To answer these questions we have the following thm.

### Existence

Thm: If  $g \in C[a, b]$  and  $g(x) \in [a, b], \forall x \in [a, b]$

then  $g$  has at least one fixed point in  $[a, b]$

Furthermore: If  $g'(x)$  is defined on  $(a, b)$

### Uniqueness

& a positive constant  $k < 1$  exists with

$$|g'(x)| \leq k < 1, \forall x \in (a, b)$$

$$k = \text{Max}|g'(x)|, \text{ over } [a, b]$$

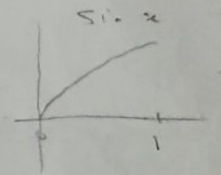
Then  $g$  has a unique fixed point  $P$  in  $[a, b]$

Example:  $\cos x = x$  on  $[0, 1]$ .

- 1)  $\cos x$  is continuous on  $[0, 1]$ .  
2)  $\cos x \in [0, 1], \forall x \in [0, 1]$
- }  $\Rightarrow \exists$  fixed point in  $[0, 1]$ .

for uniqueness:

$$|\cos' x| = |\sin x| < 1, \forall x \in (0, 1)$$



$\sin x$  is increasing, then the  $\text{max}_{(0,1)} |\sin x| = \sin 1 = 0.84147$

$\Rightarrow$  there exist unique fixed point on  $(0, 1)$

$\Rightarrow f(x) = \cos x - x$  has a unique soln in  $[0, 1]$

proof: If  $g(a) = a$  or  $g(b) = b$ , then  $g$  has a fixed point at the end point.

If Not, then  $g(a) > a$  &  $g(b) < b$

Let  $h(x) = g(x) - x$ ,  $h(x)$  is cont. on  $[a, b]$

then  $h(a) = g(a) - a > 0$

&  $h(b) = g(b) - b < 0$

so  $h$  satisfies Bolzano's thm, therefore there exist

$c$  in  $[a, b]$  such that  $h(c) = 0$

$\Rightarrow h(c) = g(c) - c = 0$

$\Rightarrow g(c) = c$ , so  $\exists$  fixed point in  $[a, b]$

Now: for Uniqueness:

Suppose there exist two different fixed points  $P_1$  and  $P_2$

w.l.o.g assume  $P_1 < P_2$ .

$g$  is continuous on  $[P_1, P_2] \subset [a, b]$ .

$g$  is differentiable on  $(P_1, P_2)$

$\Rightarrow g$  satisfies the conditions of Mean value thm, therefore

$\exists c$  such that  $g'(c) = \frac{g(P_2) - g(P_1)}{P_2 - P_1} = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{P_2 - P_1}$

$\Rightarrow g'(c) = 1$  which is contradiction of the

assumption that  $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$ ,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$

Example Show that  $g(x) = \frac{x^2-1}{3}$  has a unique fixed point on  $[-1, 1]$ .

Sol. (1)  $g$  is cont. on  $[-1, 1]$

(2)  $g(x) \in [-1, 1]$  ?? we need to show that

It's enough to show that max & min of  $g(x)$  are in  $[-1, 1]$ .

The maximum & minimum occurs either at the end points of the interval or when  $g'(x) = 0$

$$g'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2x}{3} = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$g(-1) = 0$$

$$g(1) = 0$$

$$g(0) = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} g(-1) = 0 \\ g(1) = 0 \\ g(0) = -\frac{1}{3} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow g(x) \in [-1, 1] \Rightarrow \exists \text{ a fixed point}$

$$\text{Now } |g'(x)| = \left| \frac{2}{3}x \right| \leq \frac{2}{3} < 1, \quad \forall x \in (-1, 1).$$

So  $g$  has a unique fixed point in  $[-1, 1]$

## Thm: Fixed point thm:

Assume that (i)  $g$  and  $g' \in C[a, b]$

(ii)  $k > 0$  positive constant

(iii)  $p_0 \in (a, b)$

(iv)  $g(x) \in [a, b]$ ,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$ .

1) If  $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$ ,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$ , then

for any  $p_0$  in  $(a, b)$ , the sequence defined by

$p_{n+1} = g(p_n)$ ,  $n \geq 0$  converges to the unique

fixed point  $P$  in  $[a, b]$  Converges  $\leftarrow$

In this case  $P$  is said to be attractive fixed point

2) If  $|g'(x)| > 1$ ,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$ , then

the sequence  $p_{n+1} = g(p_n)$  will not converge to  $P$  ~~or~~ diverge.

In this case  $P$  is said to be Repulsive fixed pt.

3) If  $|g'(x)| = 1$ , then the FPT Failed.

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proof: ① from previous thm, we can conclude that

$\exists!$  fixed point  $P \in [a, b]$  with  $g(P) = P$ .

Now since  $g(x) \in [a, b]$ ,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$  then the

sequence  $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is defined  $\forall n$  &  $P_n \in [a, b]$

Now using the fact  $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$ ,  $\forall x \in [a, b]$

and using Mean value thm:  $c \in [P_{n-1}, P]$  we have:  $g'(c) = \frac{P_n - P}{P_{n-1} - P}$

$$|P_n - P| = |g(P_{n-1}) - g(P)| = |g'(c)| |P_{n-1} - P|$$

$$\leq k |P_{n-1} - P|, \text{ where } c \in (a, b)$$

by Induction:

$$|P_n - P| \leq k |P_{n-1} - P| \leq k^2 |P_{n-2} - P| \leq \dots \leq k^n |P_0 - P|$$

Since  $0 < k < 1$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} k^n = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |P_n - P| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} k^n |P_0 - P| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_n = P$$

② Exercise:



(Q#2) (15 Points) Consider the fixed point iteration  $p_{n+1} = \sqrt[4]{p_n + 1} = g(p_n)$ .

- a- Show that  $g(x)$  has a <sup>unique</sup> fixed point in  $I = [1, 2]$ .  
 b- Show that if  $p_0 \in I$ , then the fixed point iteration converges.  
 c- Estimate the fixed point  $p$  starting with  $p_0 = 1.5$ , (do only 4 iterations)

(a)  $g(x) = \sqrt[4]{x+1}$  continuous on  $[1, 2]$

$g(x)$  is increasing (2)

$f'(x) > 0$  on  $[1, 2]$   
 then  $f$  is increasing  
 $1 \leq g(1) \leq g(2) \leq 2$   
 $g(x) \in [1, 2]$

$\Rightarrow$

$1 \leq \boxed{1.18207} \leq g(x) \leq \boxed{1.31607} \leq 2$   
 (1) (1)

So  $g(x)$  has a fixed pt in  $[1, 2]$

(b)  $g'(x) = \frac{1}{4} (x+1)^{-3/4} = \frac{1}{4 \sqrt[4]{(x+1)^3}}$

$|g'(x)| = g'(x)$  is decreasing (2)

$\Rightarrow |g'(x)| \leq \frac{1}{4 \sqrt[4]{(1+1)^3}} = \boxed{0.148650889} < 1$

So FPI of  $g(x)$  converges

(c)

$p_0 = 1.5$

$p_1 = 1.25743343$

$p_2 = 1.225755182$

$p_3 = 1.221432153$

$p_4 = 1.220838632$

(5)

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(2)(30)

Corollary: (1)  $|P_n - P| \leq K^n |P_0 - P|, \forall n \geq 1$

(2)  $|P_n - P| \leq K^n \frac{|P_1 - P_0|}{1 - K}, \forall n \geq 1$

These two formulas give the error estimate for F.P. I

proof: None work. (I credit for convergence)

Example: Investigate the nature of F.P and show your answer by examples for  $g(x) = 1 + x - \frac{x^2}{4}$

Sol:  $g(x) = x \implies x^2 = 4 \implies x = \pm 2$  (F.P)

When  $x = 2$ ,  $g'(x) = 1 - \frac{x}{2} \implies |g'(2)| = 0 < 1$ .

$\implies x = 2$  is an attractive ~~fixed~~-point

(1-c) The sequence  $\{P_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  converges to 2.

to show that Let  $P_0 = 1.6$ , then:

$P_1 = 1.96, P_2 = 1.996, \dots, P_n \rightarrow 2$ .

If  $P_0 = 2.5$ , then  $P_1 = 1.9375, P_2 = 1.9990$

$P_3 = 1.99999975, \dots, P_n \rightarrow 2$ .

When  $x = -2$ ,  $|g'(-2)| = 2 > 1 \implies x = -2$  is Repulsive

$P_0 = -2.05, P_1 = -2.1, P_2 = -2.2, \dots$

Not converge to  $-2$ .

Example: Estimate <sup>Find</sup> the number of Iterations required for fixed point iteration to Converge to the fixed point of  $g(x) = \pi + \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{x}{2}$ . with

(a) 4 digits accuracy (i.e)  $< 10^{-4}$

(b) 10 digit = (i.e)  $< 10^{-10}$  (Not Solved)

using  $P_0 = \pi$

Sol: Using Corollary:  $|P_n - P| \leq k^n \frac{|P_1 - P_0|}{1-k} < \epsilon = 10^{-4}$   
 $\approx 10^{-10}$

We need to find  $k$  &  $P_1$ .

$$P_1 = g(P_0) = \pi + \frac{1}{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = \pi + \frac{1}{2}$$

Need to find  $k$ .

$$|g'(x)| = \left| \frac{1}{4} \cos \frac{x}{2} \right| \leq \frac{1}{4}, \text{ so assume } k = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n |\pi + \frac{1}{2} - \pi|}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} < 10^{-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n < 10^{-4} \times \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \times 2 = 1.5 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n < \ln (1.5 \times 10^{-4})$$

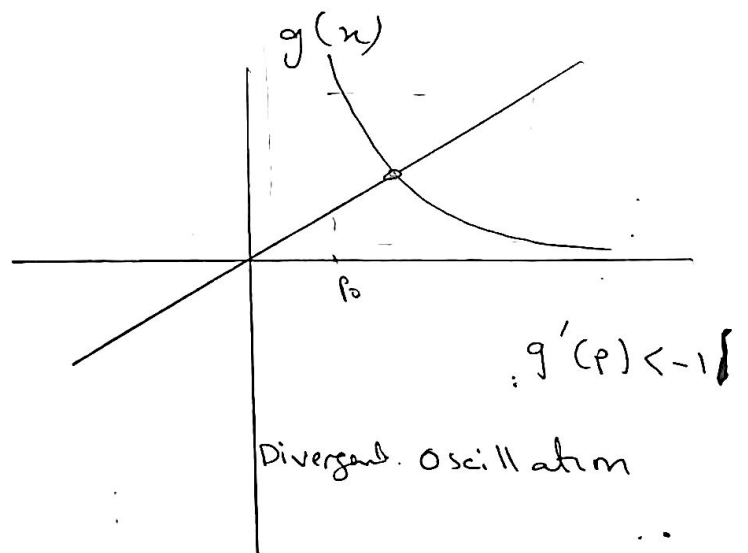
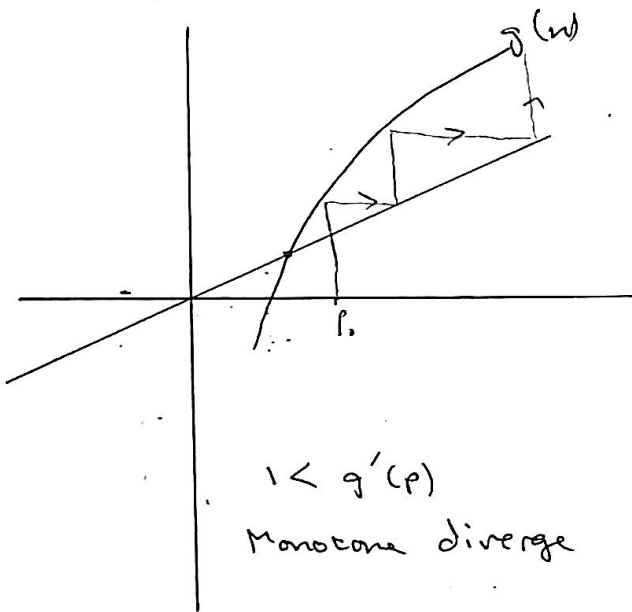
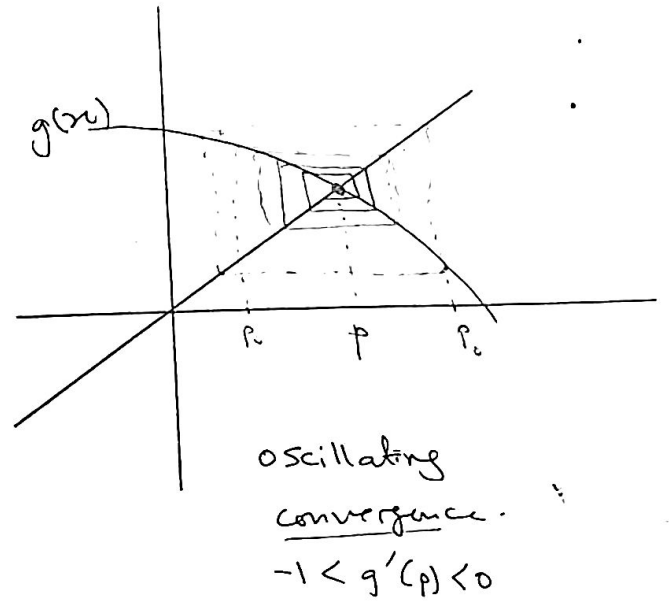
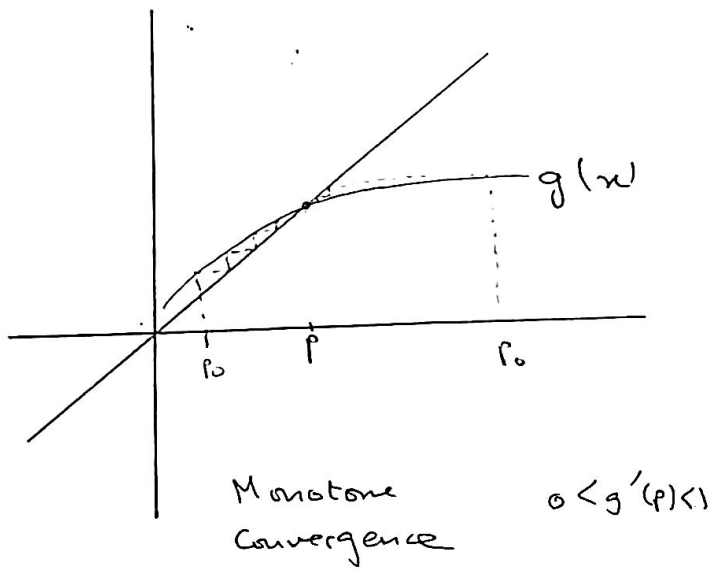
$$\Rightarrow -n \ln 4 < -8.804875$$

$$\Rightarrow n > \frac{+8.804875}{\ln 4} \approx 6.3$$

$\Rightarrow$  we need 7 Iterations to solve

Similarly we solve for  $\epsilon = 10^{-10}$ , we get 17 Iteration.

# Graphical Interpretation of Fixed Point Iteration.



## 2.3 Stopping criteria:

- 1)  $|f(c_n)| < \epsilon \Rightarrow f(c_n) \approx 0$
- 2)  $|c_n - c_{n-1}| < \delta$  (i.e) two successive terms are close  
② (more used)
- 3)  $\frac{2|p_n - p_{n-1}|}{|p_n| + |p_{n-1}|} < \delta$
- 4)  $|p_{n+1} - p_n| / p_n < \epsilon$