

Th (Speed of Newton's Method)

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Assume Newton-Raphson iteration

$$P_{n+1} = P_n - \frac{f(P_n)}{f'(P_n)}, \text{ given } P_0, n=0,1,2,\dots$$

produces a sequence $\{P_n\}$ that converges to the root p of the function $f(x)$. Then,

① if p is **simple root** ($M=1$), then Newton's iteration $\{P_n\}$ converges to p **quadratically** ($R=2$) with

$$A = \left| \frac{f''(p)}{2f'(p)} \right| \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|E_{n+1}|}{|E_n|^2} \approx A$$

② if p is a **multiple root** (of order $M > 1$), then Newton's iteration $\{P_n\}$ converges to p **linearly** ($R=1$) with

$$A = \frac{M-1}{M} \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|E_{n+1}|}{|E_n|} \approx \frac{M-1}{M}$$

Exp Let $f(x) = x^3 - 3x + 2$

① Find the order of convergence R and the asymptotic error constant A when Newton-Raphson iteration is used to find the roots of $f(x) = 0$

• Recall the roots of $f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow p = -2, p = 1$

• Note that $p = -2$ is **simple root** ($M=1$) \Rightarrow so $R=2$ by Th above

and hence, $A = \left| \frac{f''(-2)}{2f'(-2)} \right| = \left| \frac{-12}{2(9)} \right| = \frac{2}{3}$

• Note that $p = 1$ is **multiple root** ($M=2$) \Rightarrow so $R=1$ by Th above

and hence, $A = \frac{M-1}{M} = \frac{2-1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$

2] start with $p_0 = -2.4$ and use Newton's - Raphson 46 iteration to find the root $p = -2$. (Prove the quadratic convergence at simple root in \square).

$$p = -2, \quad p_0 = -2.4$$

$$p_{n+1} = p_n - \frac{f(p_n)}{f'(p_n)} = p_n - \frac{p_n^3 - 3p_n + 2}{3p_n^2 - 3}$$

$$= \frac{2p_n^3 - 2}{3p_n^2 - 3}$$

n	p_n	<i>no need</i> $ p_{n+1} - p_n $	$E_n = p - p_n $	$ E_{n+1} / E_n ^2$
0	-2.4	0.323809524	0.4	0.476190475
1	-2.076190476	0.072594465	0.076190476	0.619469086
2	-2.003596011	0.003587422	0.003596011	0.664202613
3	-2.000008589	0.000008589	0.000008589	$\approx \frac{2}{3}$
4	-2	0	0	

• Note that $|E_{n+1}| \approx A |E_n|^2$ for large n

• To check this \Rightarrow

$$|E_3| = |p - p_3| = 0.000008589$$

$$|E_2| = |p - p_2| = 0.003596011 \Rightarrow |E_2|^2 = 0.000012931$$

• Now it is easy to see that

$$|E_3| \approx A |E_2|^2 \Leftrightarrow 0.000008589 \approx \frac{2}{3} (0.000012931)$$

$$= 0.000008621$$

③ Start with $p_0 = 1.2$ and use Newton's Method to prove the linear convergence at the double root $p = 1$.

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$$p = 1, \quad p_0 = 1.2$$

$$p_{n+1} = \frac{2p_n^3 - 2}{3p_n^2 - 3}$$

n	p_n	$E_n = p - p_n $	$ E_{n+1} / E_n $
0	1.2	0.2	0.515151515
1	1.103030303	0.103030303	0.508165253
2	1.052356420	0.052356420	0.496751115
3	1.026400811	0.026400811	0.509753688
4	1.013257730	0.013257730	0.501097775
5	1.006643419	0.006643419	0.500550093
⋮	1.003325375	0.003325375	⋮
20	1.000000409		

≈ 0.5

• Note that $|E_{n+1}| \approx A |E_n|$ for large n

• To check this \Rightarrow

$$|E_5| = |p - p_5| = 0.006643419$$

$$|E_4| = |p - p_4| = 0.013257730$$

• Now it is easy to see that

$$|E_5| \approx A |E_4| \Leftrightarrow 0.006643419 \approx (0.5)(0.013257730)$$

$$= 0.06628865$$

Remark • In the previous Exp the root p was known.

• However, sometimes p is unknown (see next Exp).

Exp (P is unknown)

Consider the equation $x^2 - \sin x - 1 = 0$

① Use Newton's method with $p_0 = 1.5$ to estimate the solution of this equation with error less than 10^{-3} .

3.14 \rightarrow 180
1.5 \rightarrow 85.987

n	p_n	$ p_{n+1} - p_n $
0	1.5	
1	1.413799126	0.086
2	1.409633752	0.004
3	1.409624004	0.000009748

$f(x) = x^2 - \sin x - 1$
 $f'(x) = 2x - \cos x$
 $p_{n+1} = p_n - \frac{f(p_n)}{f'(p_n)}$

$p = 1.409624004$

② Find the order of convergence and the asymptotic error constant

• We find the multiplicity of the root p

• $f'(p) = 2(1.409624004) - \cos(80.81)$
 $= 2.819248008 - 0.1597088975$
 $= 2.6595391033 \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow M=1$ and $p = 1.409624004$ is simple root.

• Hence, by Th above $R=2$ and $A = \left| \frac{f''(p)}{2f'(p)} \right| = 0.56173286$

3 Prove part 2 Numerically

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n	P_n	$E_n = P - P_n $	$ E_{n+1} / E_n ^2$
0	1.5	0.090375	0.5111162
1	1.413799126	0.004175	0.559212 $\approx A$
2	1.409624004	0.000009748	

• $|E_2| = 0.000009748$

$|E_1| = 0.004175 \Rightarrow |E_1|^2 = 0.0000174306$

• Note that $|E_2| \approx A |E_1|^2 \Leftrightarrow$

$$0.000009748 \approx (0.56173286)(0.0000174306)$$
$$= 0.0000097913$$