

Today

Open Methods: Newton-Raphson + Friends

Secant, Brent's, Fixed Point Iter
(maybe)

Reminders

Lab 1 due tomorrow

First: Errors (Chapra's notation)

E : absolute error (units)

ϵ : relative (percent) error

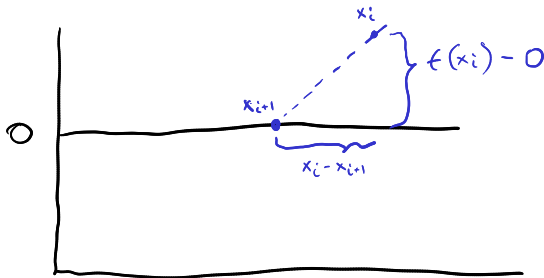
Subscripts

t : true (typically unknown)

a : approximate

s : stopping

Newton-Raphson: use $f'(x)$



$$f'(x_i) = \frac{f(x_i) - 0}{x_i - x_{i+1}} \quad \text{rise over run}$$

$$(x_i - x_{i+1}) f'(x_i) = f(x_i)$$

$$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)}{f'(x_i)}$$

Newton-Raphson

input: function f and its derivative f' , initial guess x_0 , tolerance ϵ_s , maximum iterations N

output: estimate x_r of the root

$x_r \leftarrow x_0$

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to N do

$x_{r,old} \leftarrow x_r$

$x_r \leftarrow x_{r,old} - \frac{f(x_{r,old})}{f'(x_{r,old})}$ ← update

$\epsilon_a \leftarrow \left| \frac{x_r - x_{r,old}}{x_r} \right| \cdot 100\%$

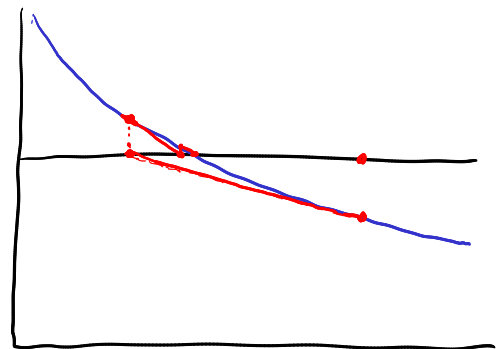
 if $\epsilon_a < \epsilon_s$ then

 return x_r

 end

end

return x_r // did not converge in N iterations



Beauty of Newton-Raphson: Extremely fast convergence near root!

Bisection

$$E_{a,i+1} = \frac{1}{2} E_{a,i}$$

"linear convergence"

number of sig figs increases linearly with i

(different terminology from $E_{a,i} = O((\frac{1}{2})^k)$)

Guaranteed to converge if

 - Δx contains root

 - $f(x)$ is continuous

fast

Newton Raphson

Near Root

$$\rightarrow E_{t,i+1} \approx \frac{-f''(x_r)}{2f'(x_r)} E_{t,i}^2 \quad \text{"can be shown"}$$

"quadratic convergence"

number of sigfigs doubles every iteration

Can diverge

FAST near root

Downside: Newton requires $f'(x)$

Secant Method

$$f'(x_i) \approx \frac{f(x_{i-1}) - f(x_i)}{x_{i-1} - x_i}$$

plug into Newton update

$$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)(x_{i-1} - x_i)}{f(x_{i-1}) - f(x_i)}$$

Secant Method

input : function f , initial guesses x_{-1} and x_0 , tolerance ε_s , maximum iterations N

output: estimate x_r of the root

$x_{\text{prev}} \leftarrow x_{-1}; \quad x_r \leftarrow x_0$

for $i \leftarrow 1$ **to** N **do**

$x_{r,\text{old}} \leftarrow x_r$

$x_r \leftarrow x_{r,\text{old}} - \frac{f(x_{r,\text{old}})(x_{\text{prev}} - x_{r,\text{old}})}{f(x_{\text{prev}}) - f(x_{r,\text{old}})}$

$x_{\text{prev}} \leftarrow x_{r,\text{old}}$

$\varepsilon_a \leftarrow \left| \frac{x_r - x_{r,\text{old}}}{x_r} \right| \cdot 100\%$

if $\varepsilon_a < \varepsilon_s$ **then**

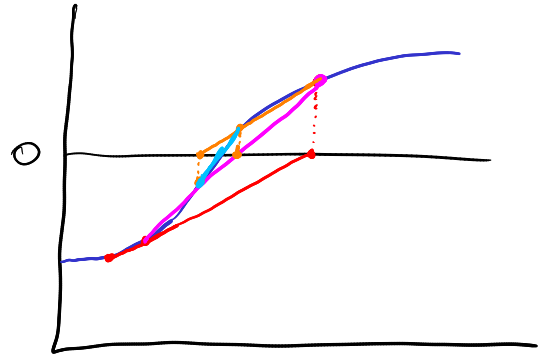
return x_r

end

end

return x_r // did not converge in N iterations

only difference from Newton



Brent's Method

Brent's Method

input : function f , bracket $[a, b]$ with $f(a) \cdot f(b) < 0$, tolerance ε_s

output: estimate b of the root

// b is the best estimate, c is on the other side of the root, a is the previous b

$c \leftarrow a$

// d is the signed step b will move by, e is the previous step;
both start as the bracket width

$d \leftarrow b - a$; $e \leftarrow d$

repeat

if $f(b) \cdot f(c) > 0$ then

 // b and c no longer bracket the root; a does

$c \leftarrow a$; $d \leftarrow b - a$; $e \leftarrow d$

end

if $|f(c)| < |f(b)|$ then

 // make b the point with the smallest $|f|$

$a \leftarrow b$; $b \leftarrow c$; $c \leftarrow a$

end

$m \leftarrow (c - b) / 2$

// bisection step

$\delta \leftarrow \varepsilon_s |b|$

// absolute tolerance

if $|m| \leq \delta$ or $f(b) = 0$ then

 return b

end

if $|e| < \delta$ or $|f(a)| \leq |f(b)|$ then

$d \leftarrow m$; $e \leftarrow m$

// bisection

else

$s \leftarrow f(b) / f(a)$

 if $a = c$ then

 // only two distinct points: secant step

$p \leftarrow 2ms$; $q \leftarrow 1 - s$

 else

 // three distinct points: inverse quadratic

 interpolation

$q \leftarrow f(a) / f(c)$; $r \leftarrow f(b) / f(c)$

$p \leftarrow s(2mq(q-r) - (b-a)(r-1))$

$q \leftarrow (q-1)(r-1)(s-1)$

 end

 if $p > 0$ then $q \leftarrow -q$

 else $p \leftarrow -p$

 if $2p < 3mq - |\delta q|$ and $p < |eq/2|$ then

 // interpolated step stays in the bracket and shrinks

 it fast enough

$e \leftarrow d$; $d \leftarrow p/q$

 else

$d \leftarrow m$; $e \leftarrow m$

// bisection

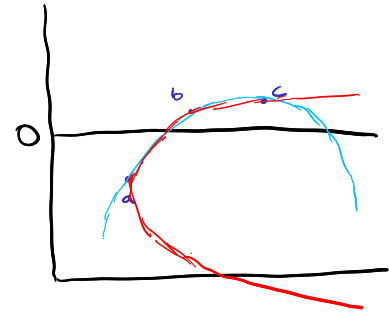
 end

end

$a \leftarrow b$

- Combination of Bracketing and Open Methods
- Does not require derivatives
- Basis for Matlab's `fzero`

- Guaranteed to converge
- As fast near root as open methods



← bisection

← secant

← inverse quadratic

Fixed Point

Previously $f(x) = 0$

Fixed Point

$$x = g(x)$$

repeatedly evaluate $g(x)$