

## Newton's Method:

Let  $x_0$  be an initial approximation of the solution to  $f(x)=0$ . Then define

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \quad \leftarrow \text{don't want this zero.}$$

Q1: Do the  $x_n$ 's converge to the solution?

Q2: How fast?

Q3: Under what hypothesis?

hypothesis on  $x_0$  ;

hypothesis on  $f$  ;

- $f$  need to be cont., in fact, it needs to be differentiable...

Idea  $f'(x) \neq 0$   
in a neighborhood  
of the root  
you're looking  
for.

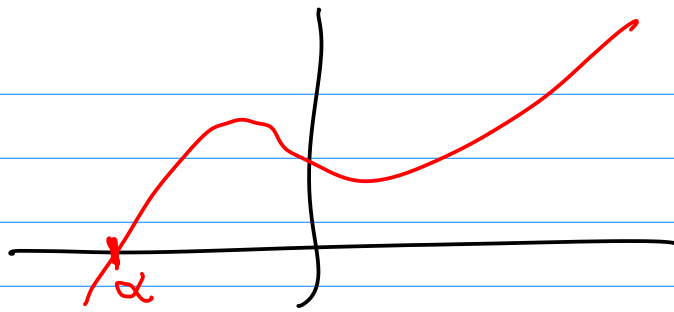
- $x_0$  needs to be close the the  actual solution one is looking for.

- $f'(x_n) \neq 0$  for all  $n$

- $f''$  exist and is cont

Maybe this.

If  $f(x)=0$  for  $x=\alpha$   
Then we want  $f'(\alpha) \neq 0$ ,

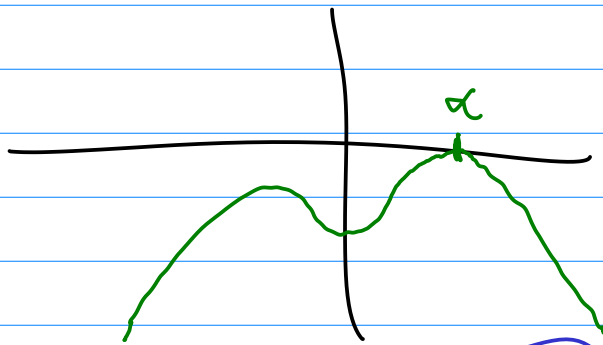


If  $\alpha$  is the root  
the graph crosses  
the  $x$  axis at  $\alpha$ .  
which means

$$f'(\alpha) \neq 0.$$

hypothesis  $\Leftarrow$

Not always like this



Oh no!

$$f'(\alpha) = 0$$

Hypothesis:  $f'(\alpha) \neq 0$   $f$  has a cont derivative  
and  $x_0$  starts out close to  $\alpha$ .

Then solving for the root  $x = \alpha$  where  $f(x) = 0$ .  
Using Newton's method is a good idea...

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Calculus}$$

Best theorem in Calculus for analyzing  
numerics is Taylor's Theorem...

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{3!}x^3 + \frac{1}{4!}x^4 + \dots$$

$$\sin x = ?$$

$$\cos x = ?$$

$$\arctan x = ?$$

$$\ln(1+x) = ?$$

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = ?$$

$$(1-x)^{\alpha} = ?$$

Remember over  
the weekend

Best theorem in Calculus for analyzing numerics is Taylor's Theorem...

Taylor's Theorem: Suppose  $f$  has  $n+1$  cont. derivatives, then

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2}f''(x) + \frac{h^3}{3!}f'''(x) + \dots$$
$$\dots + \frac{h^n}{n!}f^{(n)}(x) + \frac{h^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}f^{(n+1)}(c)$$

for some value of  $c$  between  $x$  and  $x+h$ .

error term allows us to estimate errors.

# Sketch of the proof:

$$f(x+h) - f(x) = \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt \quad \text{and then integrate by parts}$$

$$= \cancel{hf'(x)} + \cancel{\frac{h^2}{2}f''(x)} + \cancel{\frac{h^3}{3!}f'''(x)} + \dots$$
$$\dots + \cancel{\frac{h^m}{m!}f^{(m)}(x)} + \boxed{\text{integral}}$$

look up  
this proof  
over the  
weekend

$$\text{integral} = \frac{h^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(c)$$

using mean value theorem for integrals

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + \cancel{hf'(x)} + \cancel{\frac{h^2}{2}f''(x)} + \cancel{\frac{h^3}{3!}f'''(x)} + \dots$$
$$\dots + \cancel{\frac{h^m}{m!}f^{(m)}(x)} + \frac{h^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(c)$$

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

to make the derivatives the same, set  $x = x_n$  in Taylor theorem. (or not)

This would work...

other way get  $x = \alpha$  in Taylor theorem...

dividing by  $f'(a)$  is good...

Estimate does  $x_n \rightarrow \alpha$

Let  $e_n = x_n - \alpha$  (signed error in  $x_n$ )

How the error change per iteration?

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

$$= e_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

now what...

Try  $x = x_n$   
 $x+h = \alpha$  in Taylor

solve for  $h$

$$h = \alpha - x = \alpha - x_n$$
$$h = -e_n$$

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(x) + \frac{h^3}{3!} f'''(x) + \dots$$

$$\dots + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^{(n)}(x) + \frac{h^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} f^{(n+1)}(c)$$

$\alpha$  is solution

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

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

$$-\frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = -e_n + \frac{e_n^2}{2} \frac{f''(c)}{f'(x_n)}$$

$$e_{n+1} = e_n - e_n + \frac{e_n^2}{2} \frac{f''(c)}{f'(x_n)}$$

$$e_{n+1} = \frac{e_n^2}{2} \frac{f''(c)}{f'(x_n)}$$

big enough



Let  $A = \max \{ |f''(c)| : c \in I \}$

$$B = \min \{ |f'(x)| : |x - \alpha| < \epsilon \}$$

all the bigger that's needed...

$$e_{n+1} \leq \frac{A}{2B} e_n^2$$

↗ doubles the # of sig. digits per iteration...