

Second Derivative Free Newton's Method

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Abstract:

In this paper, we present a new two-step iterative method to solve the nonlinear equation $f(x) = 0$ and discuss about its convergence. Few numerical examples are considered to show the efficiency of the new method in comparison with the other methods considered in this paper.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Many of the complex problems in Science and Engineering contains the function of nonlinear equation of the form

$$f(x) = 0 \tag{1.1}$$

Where $f : I \rightarrow R$ for an open interval I is a scalar function.

Let x_{n+1} be the root of the equation (1.1) i.e., $f(x_{n+1}) = 0$ while $f'(x_{n+1}) \neq 0$.

The classical quadratic convergent Newton's method [3] for finding the root of "(1.1)" is

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \tag{1.2}$$

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

The third order two step Chebyshev's method [4] is

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y_n &= x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \\ x_{n+1} &= y_n - \frac{(y_n - x_n)^2}{2} \cdot \frac{f''(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{1.3}$$

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

The third order variant of Chebyshev's method [9] is

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y_n &= x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \\ x_{n+1} &= y_n - \frac{(y_n - x_n)}{2} \cdot \frac{f'(y_n) - f'(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \end{aligned} \right\} \tag{1.4}$$

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

In this paper, we present a two step variant of Chebyshev's method in section 2. In section 3, the convergence criterion of the new method is discussed where as in the concluding section several numerical examples are considered to exhibit the efficiency of the developed method.

II. SECOND DERIVATIVE FREE NEWTON'S VARIANT METHOD

Following the basic assumption of Abbasbandy and Maheshwari [1, 2] and also others [5, 7], we consider the second degree Taylor's expansion of $f(x_{n+1})$ about x_n is

$$f(x_{n+1}) = f(x_n) + (x_{n+1} - x_n)f'(x_n) + \frac{(x_{n+1} - x_n)^2}{2} f''(x_n) \quad (2.1)$$

Where $x_{n+1} - x_n = h$

$$f(x_{n+1}) = x_{n+1}^2 \left[\frac{f''(x_n)}{2} \right] + x_{n+1} [f'(x_n) - x_n f''(x_n)] + \left[f(x_n) - x_n f'(x_n) + \frac{x_n^2 f''(x_n)}{2} \right] \quad (2.2)$$

Since, x_{n+1} be the root of the equation "(1.1)" i.e., $f(x_{n+1}) = 0$ then the "(2.2)" becomes

$$x_{n+1}^2 [f''(x_n)] + x_{n+1} [2f'(x_n) - 2x_n f''(x_n)] + [2f(x_n) - 2x_n f'(x_n) + x_n^2 f''(x_n)] = 0 \quad (2.3)$$

The third order Newton's variant method [8] for finding the root of "(2.3)" is

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \left[\frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 - 2\omega_n}} \right] \quad (2.4)$$

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

where,
$$\omega_n = \frac{f(x_n)f''(x_n)}{[f'(x_n)]^2}$$

Rewriting $f''(x_n) = \frac{f'(y_n) - f'(x_n)}{y_n - x_n}$ and $\omega_n = \frac{2f(y_n)}{f(x_n)}$ in "(2.4)" gives the two step Newton's variant method as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y_n &= x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \\ x_{n+1} &= x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \cdot \frac{2}{\left[1 + \sqrt{1 - 4 \frac{f(y_n)}{f(x_n)}} \right]} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2.5)$$

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

The simplified form of "(2.5)" can be rewritten as

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \cdot \frac{1}{2\omega_n} \left[1 - (1 - 4\omega_n)^{1/2} \right]$$

Expanding $(1-4\omega_n)^{1/2}$ up to three terms i.e., up to ω_n^2 , we get the required two step Newton's variant method as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} y_n &= x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \\ x_{n+1} &= x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \left[1 + \frac{f(y_n)}{f(x_n)} \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (2.6)$$

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

III. CONVERGENCE CRITERIA

Theorem 3.1. Let $\alpha \in I$ be a simple zero of a sufficiently differentiable function $f : I \rightarrow R$ for an open interval I . Then, the new method that is defined by "(2.2)" has the third order convergence and satisfies the following error equation,

$$\varepsilon_{n+1} = 2c_2^2 \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4)$$

Where, $x_{n+1} = \varepsilon_{n+1} + \alpha$ and $x_n = \varepsilon_n + \alpha$

Proof: Let α be a simple zero of equation "(1.1)". By the Taylor's expansions

$$f(x_n) = f'(\alpha) \left[\varepsilon_n + c_2 \varepsilon_n^2 + c_3 \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \right] \quad (3.1)$$

$$\text{and } f'(x_n) = f'(\alpha) \left[1 + 2c_2 \varepsilon_n + 3c_3 \varepsilon_n^2 + 4c_4 \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \right] \quad (3.2)$$

Dividing "(3.2)" by "(3.1)", we have

$$\left[\frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \right] = \left[\varepsilon_n - (c_2) \varepsilon_n^2 + 2(c_2^2 - c_3) \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \right] \quad (3.3)$$

$$f(y_n) = f'(\alpha) \left[c_2 \varepsilon_n^2 + 2(c_3 - c_2^2) \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \right] \quad (3.4)$$

Dividing "(3.4)" by "(3.1)", we obtain

$$\frac{f(y_n)}{f(x_n)} = c_2 \varepsilon_n - (2c_3 - 3c_2^2) \varepsilon_n^2 + (-10c_2 c_3 + 3c_4 + 9c_2^3) \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \quad (3.5)$$

Adding '1' on both sides to "(3.5)", we have

$$1 + \frac{f(y_n)}{f(x_n)} = 1 + c_2 \varepsilon_n - (2c_3 - 3c_2^2) \varepsilon_n^2 + (-10c_2 c_3 + 3c_4 + 9c_2^3) \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \quad (3.6)$$

Multiplying "(3.3)" and "(3.6)", we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \left[1 + \frac{f(y_n)}{f(x_n)} \right] &= \varepsilon_n + c_2 \varepsilon_n^2 + (2c_3 - 3c_2^2) \varepsilon_n^3 - c_2 \varepsilon_n^2 + c_2^2 \varepsilon_n^3 + 2(c_2^2 - c_3) \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \\ &= \varepsilon_n - 2c_2^2 \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Thus, $x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \left[1 + \frac{f(y_n)}{f(x_n)} \right]$ becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{n+1} + \alpha &= (\varepsilon_n + \alpha) - \varepsilon_n + 2c_2^2 \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \\ \varepsilon_{n+1} &= 2c_2^2 \varepsilon_n^3 + o(\varepsilon_n^4) \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

Equation “(3.8)” establishes the third order convergence of the method that is defined by “(2.6)”.

IV. NUMERICAL EXAMPLES

We consider few numerical examples considered by [6, 7] and the method “(2.6)” is compared with the methods “(1.2)”, “(1.3)” and “(1.4)”. The computational results are tabulated below and the results are correct up to an error less than ε as indicated for each of the problems.

Example 1. Consider the following equation, $f(x) = e^x - 3x^2 - 0$.

TABLE 1.

The results obtained by three methods for solving $f(x) = e^x - 3x^2 - 0$ with $x_0 = 0.5$ and $\varepsilon = 0.5E-20$

| Formula | No. of iterations (n) | Root x_n |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Newton | 7 | 0.91000757248870907904 |
| Chebyshev | --- | DIVERGENT |
| A Variant of Chebyshev | 7 | 0.91000757248870907904 |
| New Method | 6 | 0.91000757248870907904 |

Example 2. Consider the following equation, $f(x) = x^3 - e^{-x} = 0$

TABLE 2.

The results obtained by four methods for solving $f(x) = x^3 - e^{-x} = 0$ with $x_0 = -1$ and $\varepsilon = 0.5E-20$

| Formula | No. of iterations (n) | Root x_n |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Newton | 8 | 0.77288295914921017344 |
| Chebyshev | 7 | 0.77288295914921017344 |
| A Variant of Chebyshev | 7 | 0.77288295914921017344 |
| New Method | 6 | 0.77288295914921017344 |

Example 3. Consider the following equation, $f(x) = \sin x - 0.5x = 0$

TABLE 3.

The results obtained by four methods for solving $f(x) = \sin x - 0.5x = 0$ with $x_0 = 3$ and $\varepsilon = 0.5E - 20$

| Formula | No. of iterations (n) | Root x_n |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Newton | 6 | 1.89549426703398109184 |
| Chebyshev | 5 | 1.89549426703398109184 |
| A Variant of Chebyshev | 5 | 1.89549426703398109184 |
| New Method | 4 | 1.89549426703398109184 |

Example 4. Consider the following equation, $f(x) = x^3 - 2x - 5 = 0$

TABLE 4.

The results obtained by four methods for solving $f(x) = x^3 - 2x - 5 = 0$ with $x_0 = 3$ and $\varepsilon = 0.5E - 20$

| Formula | No. of iterations (n) | Root x_n |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Newton | 7 | 2.09455148154232668160 |
| Chebyshev | 5 | 2.09455148154232668160 |
| A Variant of Chebyshev | 5 | 2.09455148154232668160 |
| New Method | 4 | 2.09455148154232668160 |

Example 5. Consider the following equation, $f(x) = \sin x = 0$

TABLE 5.

The results obtained by four methods for solving $f(x) = \sin x = 0$ with $x_0 = 0.5$ and $\varepsilon = 0.5E - 20$

| Formula | No. of iterations (n) | Root x_n |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Newton | 5 | 0 |
| Chebyshev | 4 | 0 |
| A Variant of Chebyshev | 4 | 0 |
| New Method | 3 | 0 |

V. CONCLUSION

With the number of iterations tabulated for each of the methods for five non-linear equations, we conclude that the method (2.6) is efficient one compared to the methods considered in this paper.

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