

notes the first zero of the derivative of  $J_\nu(x)$ ,  $N_\nu(x)$  is negative and increasing. Hence for  $j'_\nu/\nu \geq x \geq 1$ , a simple bound for  $N_\nu(\nu x)$  is

$$(20) \quad |N_\nu(\nu x)| \leq |N_\nu(\nu)| \leq 1.73 |J_\nu(\nu)|.$$

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## NEWTON'S METHOD IN BANACH SPACES<sup>1</sup>

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In this note we show that if  $f$  is a mapping between Banach spaces which is in class  $C'$  in the sense of Hildebrandt and Graves [4],<sup>2</sup> then the equation  $f(x) = 0$  may be solved by an iterative process:

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

provided that the initial guess  $x_0$  and the arbitrarily selected points  $z_n$  are sufficiently close to the solution desired. Here the derivative is taken in the sense of Fréchet. If we let  $z_n = x_n$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , we obtain the usual Newton process; if  $z_n = x_0$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , we obtain what is sometimes called the modified Newton process. Naturally, in any application, the computer would determine the  $z_n$  so as to minimize effort.

This result is closely related to recent theorems of Kantorovič [5; 6; 7] and Mysovskih [8; 9], although these authors assumed the existence and boundedness of the second Fréchet derivative of  $f$ . In turn for this assumption, they were able to establish more rapid convergence. Under the assumption of analyticity, Stein [10] eliminated explicit mention of the second derivative, which is desirable

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since it plays no role in the iteration. Fenyő [1] treated the Newton process in the case when the first derivative satisfies a Lipschitz condition at  $x_0$ , and the modified process without this restriction.

Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}$  be (real or complex) Banach spaces and let  $f$  map an open set of  $\mathfrak{X}$  into  $\mathfrak{Y}$ . We recall that the *Fréchet derivative*  $f'(x_0)$  of  $f$  at a point  $x_0$  in the domain of  $f$  is the bounded linear operator of  $\mathfrak{X}$  into  $\mathfrak{Y}$  such that<sup>3</sup>

$$\lim_{|h| \rightarrow 0} |h|^{-1} |f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0) - f'(x_0)(h)| = 0,$$

provided such an operator exists. If  $\mathfrak{G}$  is an open set in  $\mathfrak{X}$ , we say, following Hildebrandt and Graves [4], that  $f$  is in class  $C'(\mathfrak{G})$  if  $f'(x)$  exists for  $x \in \mathfrak{G}$ , and if the mapping  $x \rightarrow f'(x)$  is a continuous map of  $\mathfrak{G}$  into the space  $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y})$  of bounded linear operators from  $\mathfrak{X}$  to  $\mathfrak{Y}$  equipped with the uniform operator topology.

If  $f$  is in class  $C'(\mathfrak{G})$ , let  $\delta(x_0, \epsilon)$  denote the *modulus of continuity* of  $f'$  at  $x_0$ . This means that if<sup>3</sup>  $|x - x_0| \leq \delta(x_0, \epsilon)$  then  $|f'(x) - f'(x_0)| \leq \epsilon$ . Further, let  $\mathfrak{S}(x_0, \alpha)$  denote the sphere  $\{x \in X: |x - x_0| < \alpha\}$ .

LEMMA 1. *If  $f$  is in class  $C'(\mathfrak{S}(x_0, \alpha))$  and if  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are such that  $|x_i - x_0| \leq \delta(x_0, \epsilon)$ , then*

$$(*) \quad |f(x_1) - f(x_2) - f'(x_0)(x_1 - x_2)| \leq \epsilon |x_1 - x_2|.$$

PROOF. It follows from the general form of Taylor's theorem, due to Graves [2, p. 173], that

$$f(x_1) - f(x_2) = \int_0^1 f'[tx_1 + (1-t)x_2](x_1 - x_2) dt,$$

from which the statement follows.

LEMMA 2. *Let  $f$  be in class  $C'(\mathfrak{S}(x_0, \alpha))$  and suppose that  $f'(x_0)$  has a bounded inverse. For any  $\lambda > |[f'(x_0)]^{-1}|$ , there is a number  $\beta \leq \min\{1, \alpha\}$  such that*

(1) *if  $|x - x_0| \leq \beta$ , then the operator  $f'(x)$  has an inverse and  $|[f'(x)]^{-1}| < \lambda$ ;*

(2) *if  $|x_i - x_0| \leq \beta$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , then*

$$(**) \quad |f(x_1) - f(x_2) - f'(x_3)(x_1 - x_2)| \leq (1/2\lambda) |x_1 - x_2|.$$

PROOF. Choose  $\delta_1$  such that if  $|x - x_0| \leq \delta_1$ , then  $|f'(x) - f'(x_0)| \leq (4\lambda)^{-1}$ . This implies that if  $|x - x_0| \leq \delta_1$ , then  $f'(x)$  has an inverse

<sup>3</sup> Since no confusion can result, we use a single vertical bar to denote the norm of an element of the spaces  $\mathfrak{X}$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}$  and the norm of an operator between these two spaces.

operator. Since the function  $|T^{-1}|$  is an upper semi-continuous function for  $T$  in the open set of invertible operators in  $\mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{Y})$  (see [3, p. 112]), there is an  $\alpha_1 \leq \min \{\alpha, \delta_1\}$  such that if  $|x - x_0| \leq \alpha_1$ , then  $|[f'(x)]^{-1}| < \lambda$ . This proves (1). If  $\beta = \min \{1, \alpha_1, \delta(x_0, 1/4\lambda)\}$ , it follows from Lemma 1 and the above that if  $|x_i - x_0| \leq \beta$ , then (2) holds.

**THEOREM.** *Let  $f: \mathfrak{S}(x_0, \alpha) \rightarrow \mathfrak{Y}$  be in class  $C'(\mathfrak{S}(x_0, \alpha))$ , and suppose that  $f'(x_0)$  has an inverse with  $|[f'(x_0)]^{-1}| < \lambda < \infty$ . Let  $|f(x_0)| < \beta/2\lambda$ , where  $\beta$  is as in Lemma 2, and let  $z_n, n=0, 1, 2, \dots$ , be completely arbitrary points with  $|z_n - x_0| \leq \beta$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  obtained by the iterative process*

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

*converges to a solution  $\hat{x}$  of the equation  $f(x) = 0$ . Further,  $|\hat{x} - x_0| \leq \beta$  and is the only solution of the equation in this neighborhood of  $x_0$ . The rapidity of the convergence is given by  $|x_n - \hat{x}| < 2^{-n}\beta, n=0, 1, 2, \dots$ .*

**PROOF.** By definition,  $|x_1 - x_0| \leq \lambda|f(x_0)| < \beta/2$ . Further

$$f(x_1) = f(x_1) - f(x_0) - f'(z_0)(x_1 - x_0),$$

and by (\*\*) of Lemma 2, we have that

$$|f(x_1)| \leq (1/2\lambda) |x_1 - x_0|.$$

By induction, suppose that  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  have been chosen such that for  $i=1, \dots, n$  we have

- (a<sub>i</sub>)  $|x_i - x_0| < \beta,$   
 (b<sub>i</sub>)  $|x_i - x_{i-1}| \leq \lambda |f(x_{i-1})|,$   
 (c<sub>i</sub>)  $|f(x_i)| \leq (1/2\lambda) |x_i - x_{i-1}|.$

Then, since  $x_{n+1} = x_n - [f'(z_n)]^{-1}f(x_n)$ , it follows that

$$|x_{n+1} - x_n| \leq \lambda |f(x_n)|,$$

which is (b<sub>n+1</sub>). Thus  $|x_{n+1} - x_n| < (1/2) |x_n - x_{n-1}|$ . Iterating (b<sub>i</sub>) and (c<sub>i</sub>), we conclude readily that

$$\begin{aligned} (\dagger) \quad |x_{n+1} - x_0| &\leq \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n 2^{-i} \right\} |x_1 - x_0| \\ &< \{1 - 2^{-(n+1)}\} \beta. \end{aligned}$$

This proves (a<sub>n+1</sub>). Since

$$f(x_{n+1}) = f(x_{n+1}) - f(x_n) - f'(z_n)(x_{n+1} - x_n),$$

the validity of  $(a_{n+1})$  permits the use of  $(**)$  to conclude that

$$|f(x_{n+1})| \leq (1/2\lambda) |x_{n+1} - x_n|,$$

which is  $(c_{n+1})$ . Thus the inductive steps may be continued. Further, for any integers  $n$  and  $p$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\dagger) \quad |x_{n+p} - x_n| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^p |x_{n+i} - x_{n+i-1}| \\ &\leq \lambda |f(x_0)| 2^{-n} \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} 2^{-i} \right\} < 2^{-n}\beta, \end{aligned}$$

and hence  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence converging to an element  $\hat{x} \in \mathfrak{X}$ . In view of  $(a_i)$ , we have  $|\hat{x} - x_0| \leq \beta$ . From  $(c_i)$  it follows that  $f(\hat{x}) = 0$ . To see that  $\hat{x}$  is the unique solution of  $f(x) = 0$  in this neighborhood, let  $\check{x}$  be another solution with  $|\check{x} - x_0| \leq \beta$ . We have

$$|\hat{x} - \check{x}| = |[f'(x_0)]^{-1}f'(x_0)(\hat{x} - \check{x})| \leq \lambda |f'(x_0)(\hat{x} - \check{x})|.$$

By  $(*)$  we have  $|f'(x_0)(\hat{x} - \check{x})| \leq (1/2\lambda)|\hat{x} - \check{x}|$ , and hence  $|\hat{x} - \check{x}| \leq (1/2)|\hat{x} - \check{x}|$  which is a contradiction unless  $\hat{x} = \check{x}$ . Finally the inequality concerning the speed of convergence follows from  $(\dagger)$  upon letting  $p$  approach infinity.

We wish to point out to the reader the similarity between what we have done and Theorems 1 and 2 of Graves [3].

Since the modified Newton process (i.e., when  $z_n = x_0$ ) avoids the necessity of computing a new inverse at each step, it appears to be particularly convenient. By analysing the proof, we may see that Lemma 2 is never used unless the point  $z_n$  differs from  $x_0$ , so in the modified process we require only the first lemma. This permits better estimates:

**COROLLARY.** *In the modified Newton process where  $z_n = x_0$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , the number  $\beta$  may be chosen to be  $\min \{1, \alpha, \delta(x_0, 1/2\lambda)\}$ .*

**REMARK.** Since the calculation of the inverse operators  $[f'(z_n)]^{-1}$  is generally difficult, it is worth observing that the above proof applies directly to assure the convergence of an iteration

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - T_n^{-1}f(x_n), \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

for any sequence  $\{T_n\}$  of bounded operators such that

$$|T_n - f'(x_0)| < 1/4\lambda, \quad |T_n^{-1}| < \lambda.$$

For application of the Newton process, we refer the reader to Kantorovič [6; 7].

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