

Solutions of Equations in One Variable

Fixed-Point Iteration I

Numerical Analysis (9th Edition)

R L Burden & J D Faires

Beamer Presentation Slides

prepared by

John Carroll

Dublin City University

© 2011 Brooks/Cole, Cengage Learning

Outline

1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework

Outline

- 1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework
- 2 Motivating the Algorithm: An Example

Outline

- 1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework
- 2 Motivating the Algorithm: An Example
- 3 Fixed-Point Formulation I

Outline

- 1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework
- 2 Motivating the Algorithm: An Example
- 3 Fixed-Point Formulation I
- 4 Fixed-Point Formulation II

Outline

1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework

2 Motivating the Algorithm: An Example

3 Fixed-Point Formulation I

4 Fixed-Point Formulation II

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Prime Objective

- In what follows, it is important not to lose sight of our prime objective:

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Prime Objective

- In what follows, it is important not to lose sight of our prime objective:
- Given a function $f(x)$ where $a \leq x \leq b$, find values p such that

$$f(p) = 0$$

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Prime Objective

- In what follows, it is important not to lose sight of our prime objective:
- Given a function $f(x)$ where $a \leq x \leq b$, find values p such that

$$f(p) = 0$$

- Given such a function, $f(x)$, we now construct an auxiliary function $g(x)$ such that

$$p = g(p)$$

whenever $f(p) = 0$ (this construction is not unique).

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Prime Objective

- In what follows, it is important not to lose sight of our prime objective:
- Given a function $f(x)$ where $a \leq x \leq b$, find values p such that

$$f(p) = 0$$

- Given such a function, $f(x)$, we now construct an auxiliary function $g(x)$ such that

$$p = g(p)$$

whenever $f(p) = 0$ (this construction is not unique).

- The problem of finding p such that $p = g(p)$ is known as the **fixed point problem**.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

A Fixed Point

If g is defined on $[a, b]$ and $g(p) = p$ for some $p \in [a, b]$, then the function g is said to have the fixed point p in $[a, b]$.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

A Fixed Point

If g is defined on $[a, b]$ and $g(p) = p$ for some $p \in [a, b]$, then the function g is said to have the fixed point p in $[a, b]$.

Note

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

A Fixed Point

If g is defined on $[a, b]$ and $g(p) = p$ for some $p \in [a, b]$, then the function g is said to have the fixed point p in $[a, b]$.

Note

- The fixed-point problem turns out to be quite simple both theoretically and geometrically.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

A Fixed Point

If g is defined on $[a, b]$ and $g(p) = p$ for some $p \in [a, b]$, then the function g is said to have the fixed point p in $[a, b]$.

Note

- The fixed-point problem turns out to be quite simple both theoretically and geometrically.
- The function $g(x)$ will have a fixed point in the interval $[a, b]$ whenever the graph of $g(x)$ intersects the line $y = x$.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

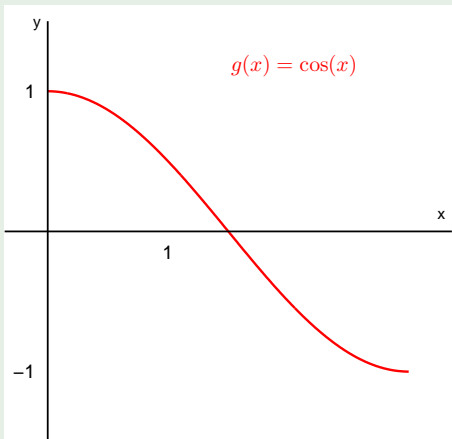
The Equation $f(x) = x - \cos(x) = 0$

If we write this equation in the form:

$$x = \cos(x)$$

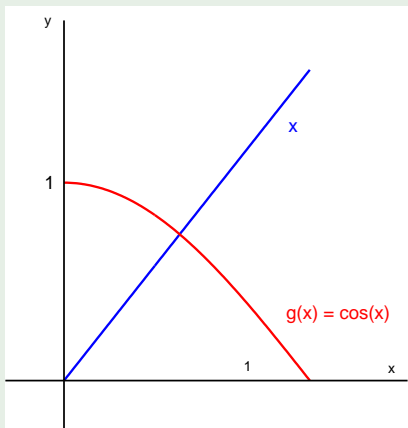
then $g(x) = \cos(x)$.

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x - \cos(x) = 0$



Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

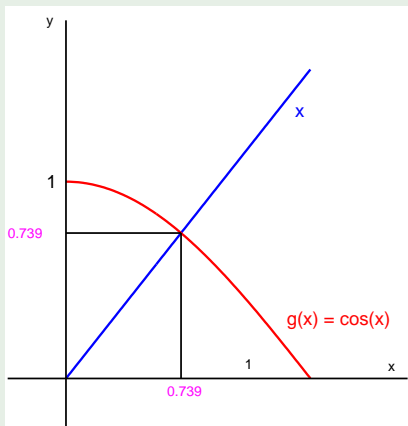
$$x = \cos(x)$$



Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

$$p = \cos(p)$$

$$p \approx 0.739$$



Existence of a Fixed Point

If $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then the function g has a fixed point in $[a, b]$.

Existence of a Fixed Point

If $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then the function g has a fixed point in $[a, b]$.

Proof

- If $g(a) = a$ or $g(b) = b$, the existence of a fixed point is obvious.

Existence of a Fixed Point

If $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then the function g has a fixed point in $[a, b]$.

Proof

- If $g(a) = a$ or $g(b) = b$, the existence of a fixed point is obvious.
- Suppose not; then it must be true that $g(a) > a$ and $g(b) < b$.

Existence of a Fixed Point

If $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then the function g has a fixed point in $[a, b]$.

Proof

- If $g(a) = a$ or $g(b) = b$, the existence of a fixed point is obvious.
- Suppose not; then it must be true that $g(a) > a$ and $g(b) < b$.
- Define $h(x) = g(x) - x$; h is continuous on $[a, b]$ and, moreover,

$$h(a) = g(a) - a > 0, \quad h(b) = g(b) - b < 0.$$

Existence of a Fixed Point

If $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then the function g has a fixed point in $[a, b]$.

Proof

- If $g(a) = a$ or $g(b) = b$, the existence of a fixed point is obvious.
- Suppose not; then it must be true that $g(a) > a$ and $g(b) < b$.
- Define $h(x) = g(x) - x$; h is continuous on $[a, b]$ and, moreover,

$$h(a) = g(a) - a > 0, \quad h(b) = g(b) - b < 0.$$

- The Intermediate Value Theorem ▶ IVT implies that there exists $p \in (a, b)$ for which $h(p) = 0$.

Existence of a Fixed Point

If $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then the function g has a fixed point in $[a, b]$.

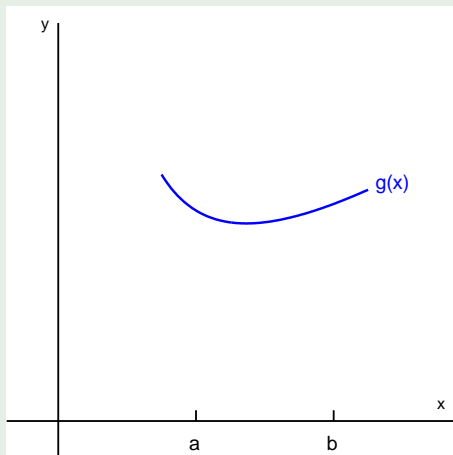
Proof

- If $g(a) = a$ or $g(b) = b$, the existence of a fixed point is obvious.
- Suppose not; then it must be true that $g(a) > a$ and $g(b) < b$.
- Define $h(x) = g(x) - x$; h is continuous on $[a, b]$ and, moreover,

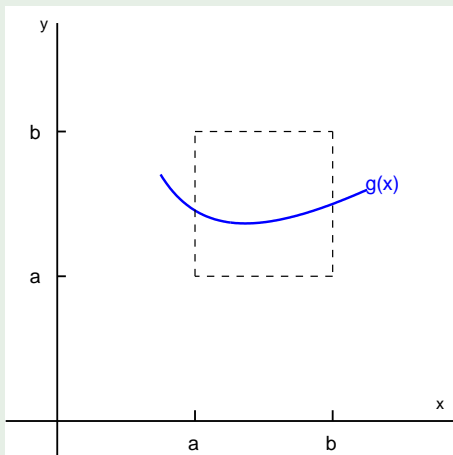
$$h(a) = g(a) - a > 0, \quad h(b) = g(b) - b < 0.$$

- The Intermediate Value Theorem **▶ IVT** implies that there exists $p \in (a, b)$ for which $h(p) = 0$.
- Thus $g(p) - p = 0$ and p is a fixed point of g .

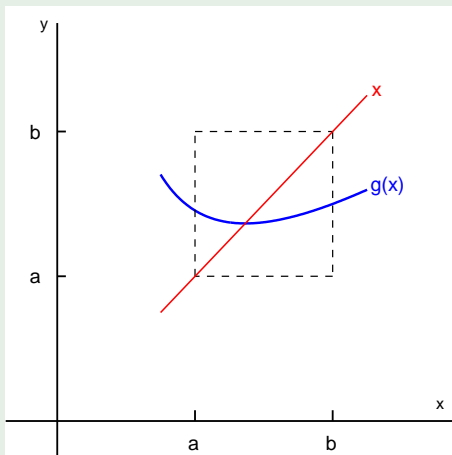
$g(x)$ is Defined on $[a, b]$



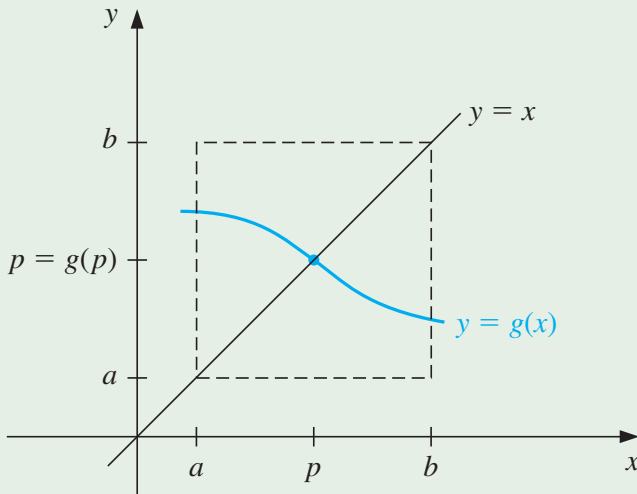
$$g(x) \in [a, b] \text{ for all } x \in [a, b]$$



$g(x)$ has a Fixed Point in $[a, b]$



$g(x)$ has a Fixed Point in $[a, b]$



Illustration

Illustration

- Consider the function $g(x) = 3^{-x}$ on $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

Illustration

- Consider the function $g(x) = 3^{-x}$ on $0 \leq x \leq 1$. $g(x)$ is continuous and since

$$g'(x) = -3^{-x} \log 3 < 0 \quad \text{on } [0, 1]$$

$g(x)$ is decreasing on $[0, 1]$.

Illustration

- Consider the function $g(x) = 3^{-x}$ on $0 \leq x \leq 1$. $g(x)$ is continuous and since

$$g'(x) = -3^{-x} \log 3 < 0 \quad \text{on } [0, 1]$$

$g(x)$ is decreasing on $[0, 1]$.

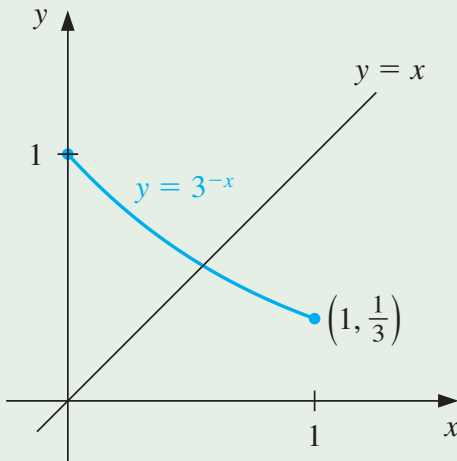
- Hence

$$g(1) = \frac{1}{3} \leq g(x) \leq 1 = g(0)$$

i.e. $g(x) \in [0, 1]$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$ and therefore, by the preceding result, $g(x)$ must have a fixed point in $[0, 1]$.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

$$g(x) = 3^{-x}$$



Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

An Important Observation

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

An Important Observation

- It is fairly obvious that, on any given interval $I = [a, b]$, $g(x)$ may have many fixed points (or none at all).

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

An Important Observation

- It is fairly obvious that, on any given interval $I = [a, b]$, $g(x)$ may have many fixed points (or none at all).
- In order to ensure that $g(x)$ has a unique fixed point in I , we must make an additional assumption that $g(x)$ does not vary too rapidly.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

An Important Observation

- It is fairly obvious that, on any given interval $I = [a, b]$, $g(x)$ may have many fixed points (or none at all).
- In order to ensure that $g(x)$ has a unique fixed point in I , we must make an additional assumption that $g(x)$ does not vary too rapidly.
- Thus we have to establish a **uniqueness** result.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

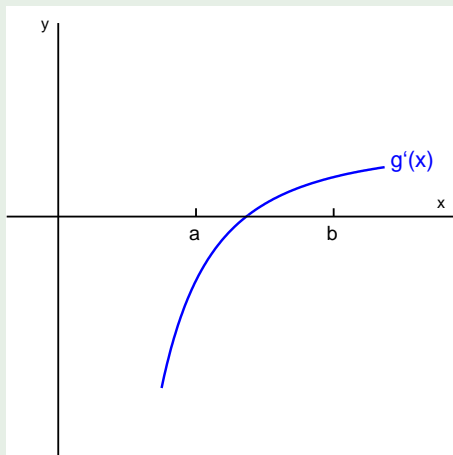
Uniqueness Result

Let $g \in C[a, b]$ and $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Further if $g'(x)$ exists on (a, b) and

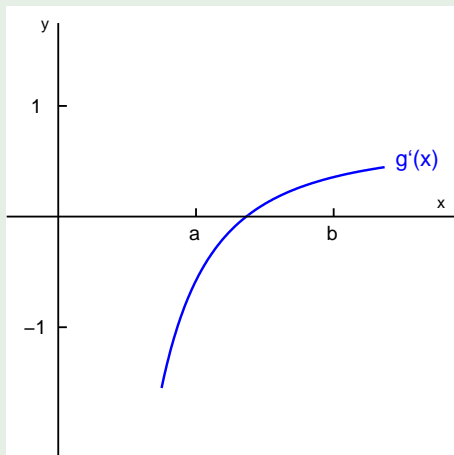
$$|g'(x)| \leq k < 1, \quad \forall x \in [a, b],$$

then the function g has a unique fixed point p in $[a, b]$.

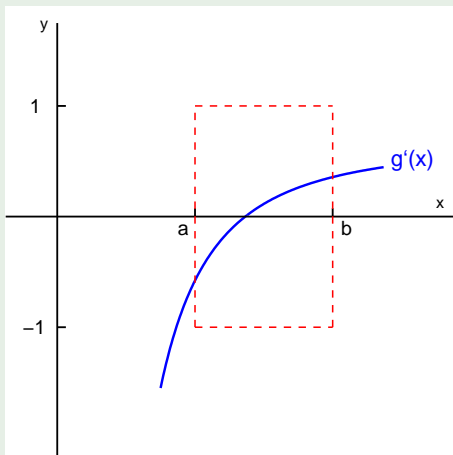
$g'(x)$ is Defined on $[a, b]$



$$-1 \leq g'(x) \leq 1 \text{ for all } x \in [a, b]$$



Unique Fixed Point: $|g'(x)| \leq 1$ for all $x \in [a, b]$



Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

- Assuming the hypothesis of the theorem, suppose that p and q are both fixed points in $[a, b]$ with $p \neq q$.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

- Assuming the hypothesis of the theorem, suppose that p and q are both fixed points in $[a, b]$ with $p \neq q$.
- By the Mean Value Theorem [▶ MVT Illustration](#), a number ξ exists between p and q and hence in $[a, b]$ with

$$|p - q| = |g(p) - g(q)|$$

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

- Assuming the hypothesis of the theorem, suppose that p and q are both fixed points in $[a, b]$ with $p \neq q$.
- By the Mean Value Theorem [▶ MVT Illustration](#), a number ξ exists between p and q and hence in $[a, b]$ with

$$|p - q| = |g(p) - g(q)| = |g'(\xi)| |p - q|$$

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

- Assuming the hypothesis of the theorem, suppose that p and q are both fixed points in $[a, b]$ with $p \neq q$.
- By the Mean Value Theorem [▶ MVT Illustration](#), a number ξ exists between p and q and hence in $[a, b]$ with

$$\begin{aligned} |p - q| &= |g(p) - g(q)| &= |g'(\xi)| |p - q| \\ &\leq k |p - q| \end{aligned}$$

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

- Assuming the hypothesis of the theorem, suppose that p and q are both fixed points in $[a, b]$ with $p \neq q$.
- By the Mean Value Theorem [▶ MVT Illustration](#), a number ξ exists between p and q and hence in $[a, b]$ with

$$\begin{aligned} |p - q| = |g(p) - g(q)| &= |g'(\xi)| |p - q| \\ &\leq k |p - q| \\ &< |p - q| \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

- Assuming the hypothesis of the theorem, suppose that p and q are both fixed points in $[a, b]$ with $p \neq q$.
- By the Mean Value Theorem [▶ MVT Illustration](#), a number ξ exists between p and q and hence in $[a, b]$ with

$$\begin{aligned} |p - q| &= |g(p) - g(q)| &= |g'(\xi)| |p - q| \\ &\leq k |p - q| \\ &< |p - q| \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

- This contradiction must come from the only supposition, $p \neq q$.

Functional (Fixed-Point) Iteration

Proof of Uniqueness Result

- Assuming the hypothesis of the theorem, suppose that p and q are both fixed points in $[a, b]$ with $p \neq q$.
- By the Mean Value Theorem [▶ MVT Illustration](#), a number ξ exists between p and q and hence in $[a, b]$ with

$$\begin{aligned} |p - q| &= |g(p) - g(q)| = |g'(\xi)| |p - q| \\ &\leq k |p - q| \\ &< |p - q| \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction.

- This contradiction must come from the only supposition, $p \neq q$.
- Hence, $p = q$ and the fixed point in $[a, b]$ is unique.

Outline

- 1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework
- 2 Motivating the Algorithm: An Example**
- 3 Fixed-Point Formulation I
- 4 Fixed-Point Formulation II

A Single Nonlinear Equation

Model Problem

Consider the quadratic equation:

$$x^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

A Single Nonlinear Equation

Model Problem

Consider the quadratic equation:

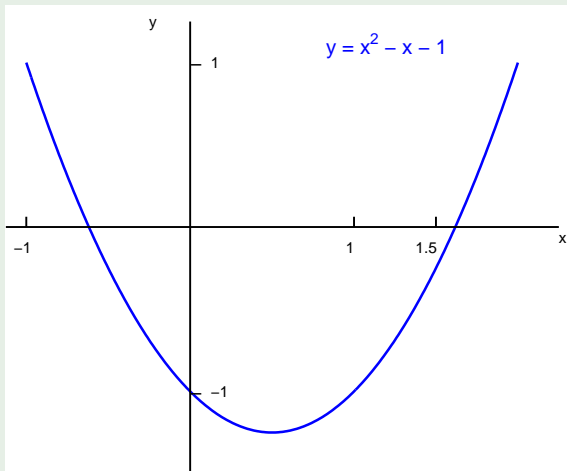
$$x^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

Positive Root

The positive root of this equations is:

$$x = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.618034$$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$



We can convert this equation into a fixed-point problem.

Outline

- 1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework
- 2 Motivating the Algorithm: An Example
- 3 Fixed-Point Formulation I**
- 4 Fixed-Point Formulation II

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

One Possible Formulation for $g(x)$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

One Possible Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$x^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

One Possible Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \quad x^2 &= x + 1\end{aligned}$$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

One Possible Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 &= x + 1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \pm\sqrt{x + 1}\end{aligned}$$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

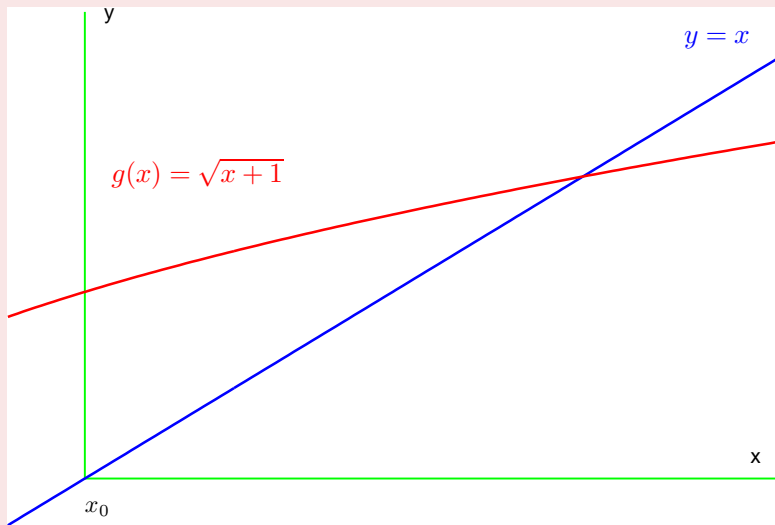
One Possible Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 &= x + 1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \pm\sqrt{x + 1}\end{aligned}$$

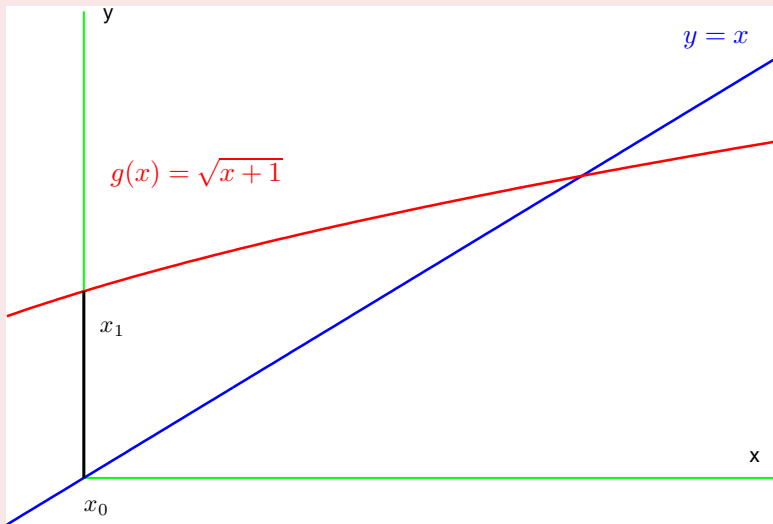
$$g(x) = \sqrt{x + 1}$$

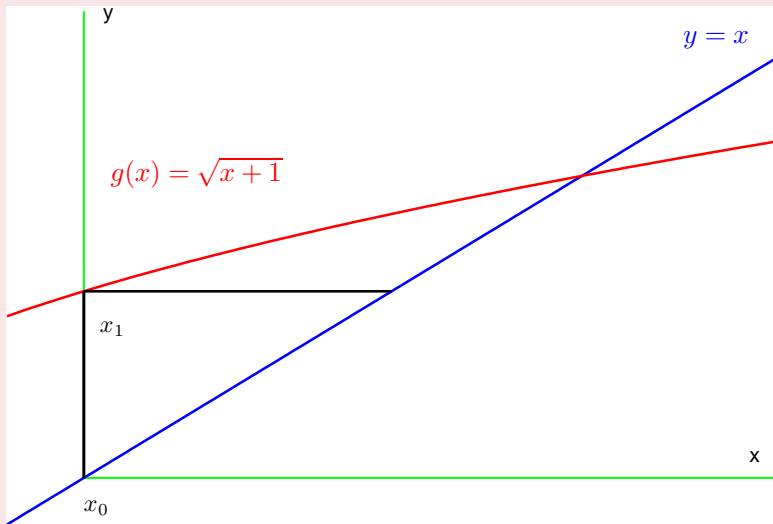
$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \sqrt{x_n + 1} \text{ with } x_0 = 0$$

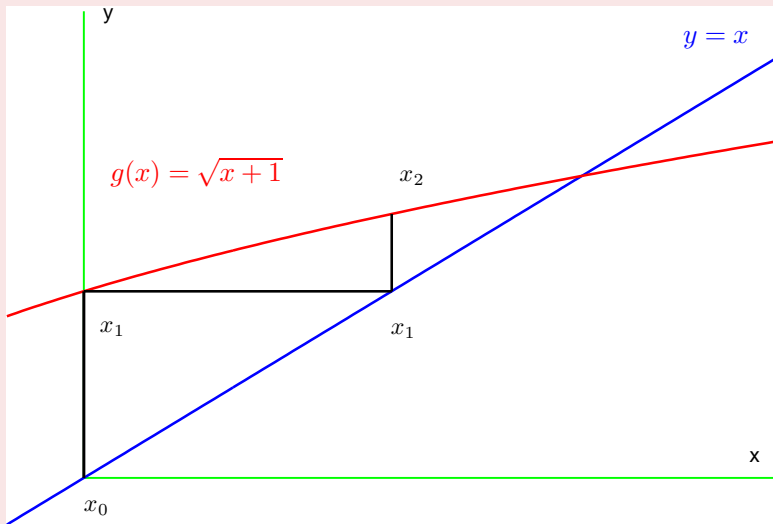


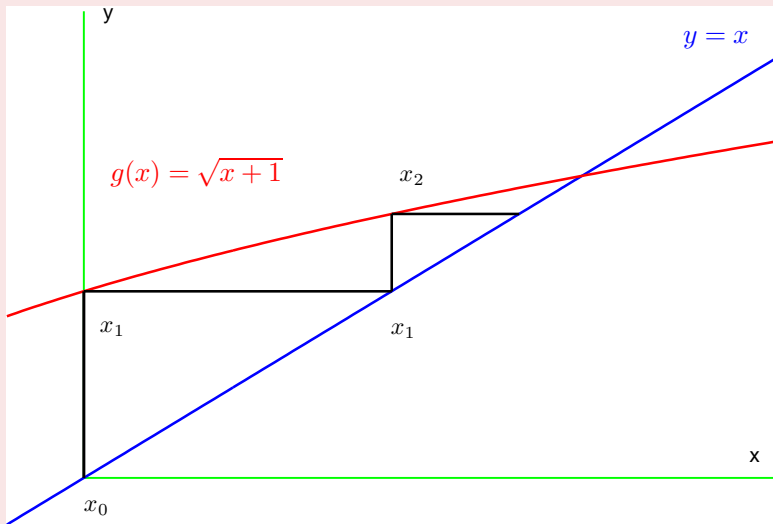
Fixed Point: $g(x) = \sqrt{x + 1}$ $x_0 = 0$

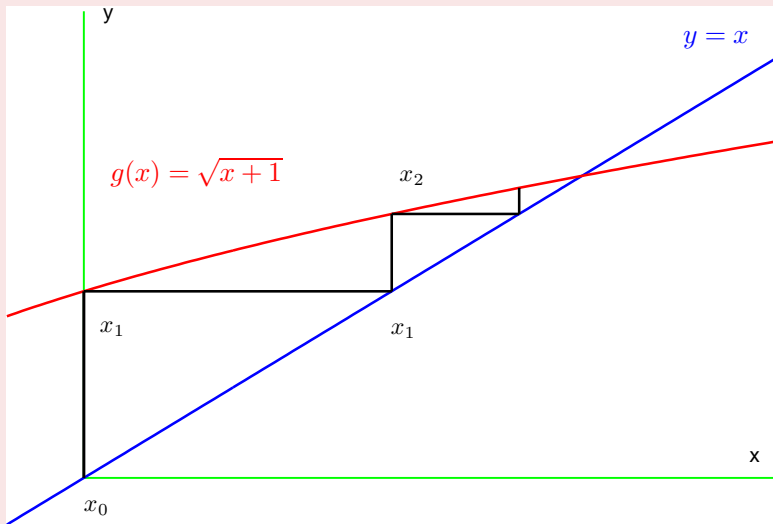
n	p_n	p_{n+1}	$ p_{n+1} - p_n $
1	0.000000000	1.000000000	1.000000000
2	1.000000000	1.414213562	0.414213562
3	1.414213562	1.553773974	0.139560412
4	1.553773974	1.598053182	0.044279208
5	1.598053182	1.611847754	0.013794572

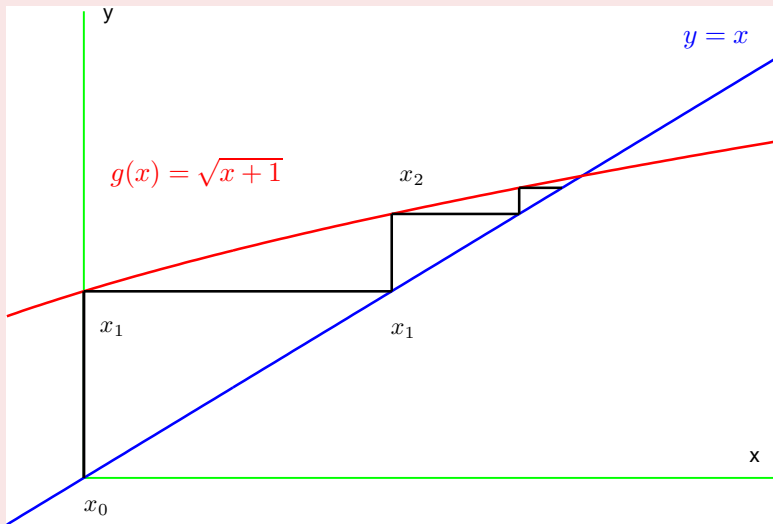


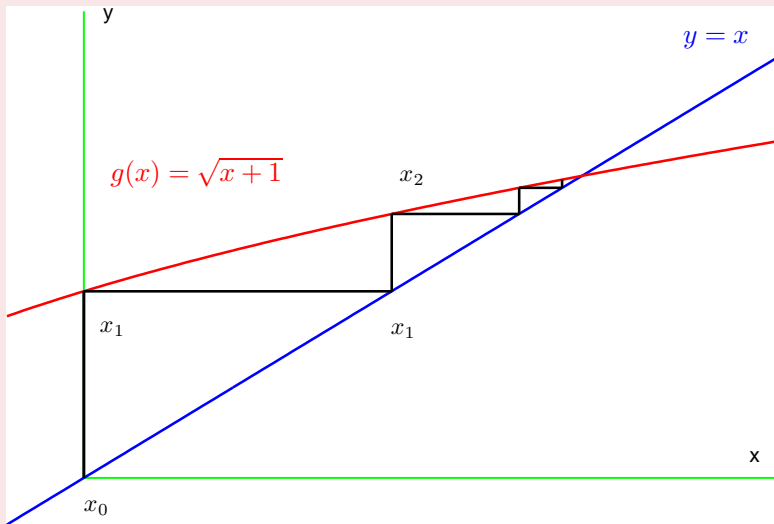


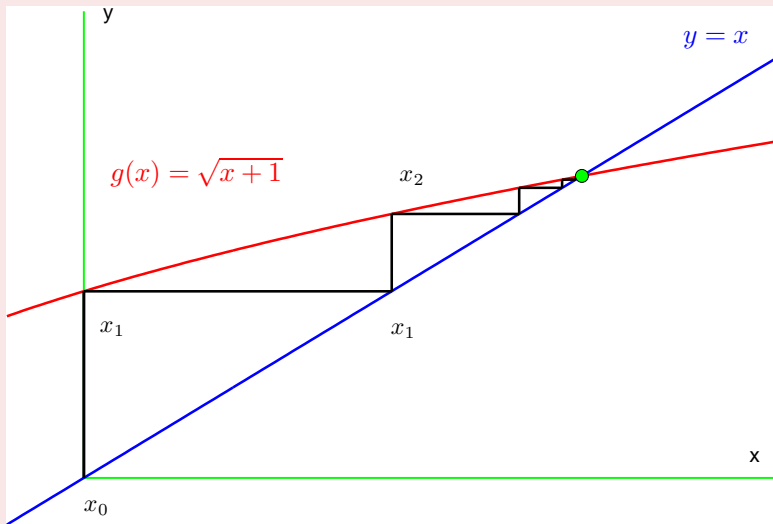












$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \sqrt{x_n + 1} \text{ with } x_0 = 0$$

Rate of Convergence

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \sqrt{x_n + 1} \text{ with } x_0 = 0$$

Rate of Convergence

We require that $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$. Since

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x + 1} \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x + 1}} > 0 \quad \text{for } x \geq 0$$

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \sqrt{x_n + 1} \text{ with } x_0 = 0$$

Rate of Convergence

We require that $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$. Since

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x+1} \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} > 0 \quad \text{for } x \geq 0$$

we find that

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} < 1 \quad \text{for all } x > -\frac{3}{4}$$

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \sqrt{x_n + 1} \text{ with } x_0 = 0$$

Rate of Convergence

We require that $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$. Since

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x+1} \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} > 0 \quad \text{for } x \geq 0$$

we find that

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} < 1 \quad \text{for all } x > -\frac{3}{4}$$

Note

$$g'(p) \approx 0.30902$$

Fixed Point: $g(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ $p_0 = 0$

n	p_{n-1}	p_n	$ p_n - p_{n-1} $	e_n/e_{n-1}
1	0.0000000	1.0000000	1.0000000	—
2	1.0000000	1.4142136	0.4142136	0.41421
3	1.4142136	1.5537740	0.1395604	0.33693
4	1.5537740	1.5980532	0.0442792	0.31728
5	1.5980532	1.6118478	0.0137946	0.31154
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
12	1.6180286	1.6180323	0.0000037	0.30902
13	1.6180323	1.6180335	0.0000012	0.30902
14	1.6180335	1.6180338	0.0000004	0.30902
15	1.6180338	1.6180339	0.0000001	0.30902

Outline

- 1 Introduction & Theoretical Framework
- 2 Motivating the Algorithm: An Example
- 3 Fixed-Point Formulation I
- 4 Fixed-Point Formulation II**

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

A Second Formulation for $g(x)$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

A Second Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$x^2 - x - 1 = 0$$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

A Second Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \quad x^2 &= x + 1\end{aligned}$$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

A Second Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 &= x + 1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 1 + \frac{1}{x}\end{aligned}$$

Single Nonlinear Equation $f(x) = x^2 - x - 1 = 0$

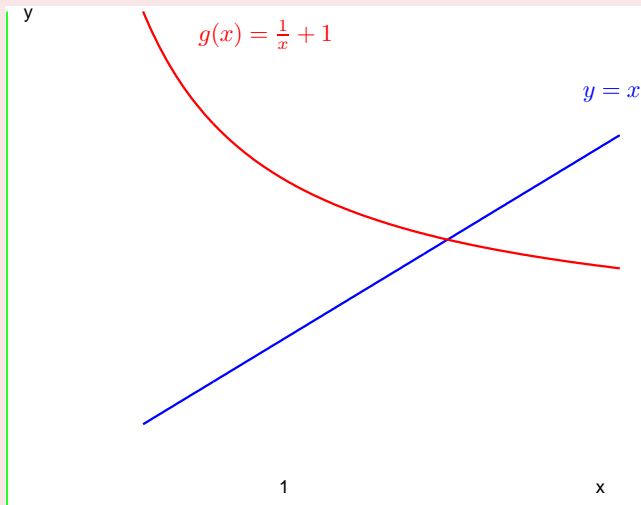
A Second Formulation for $g(x)$

Transpose the equation $f(x) = 0$ for variable x :

$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 &= x + 1 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 1 + \frac{1}{x}\end{aligned}$$

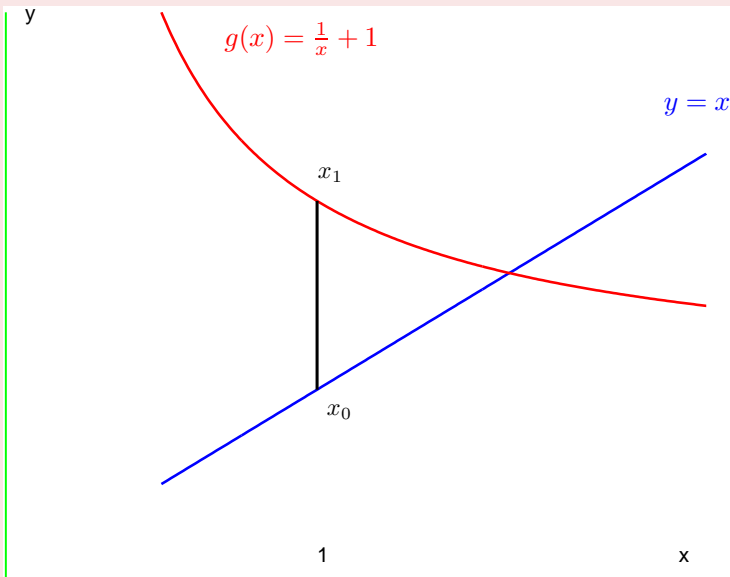
$$g(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x}$$

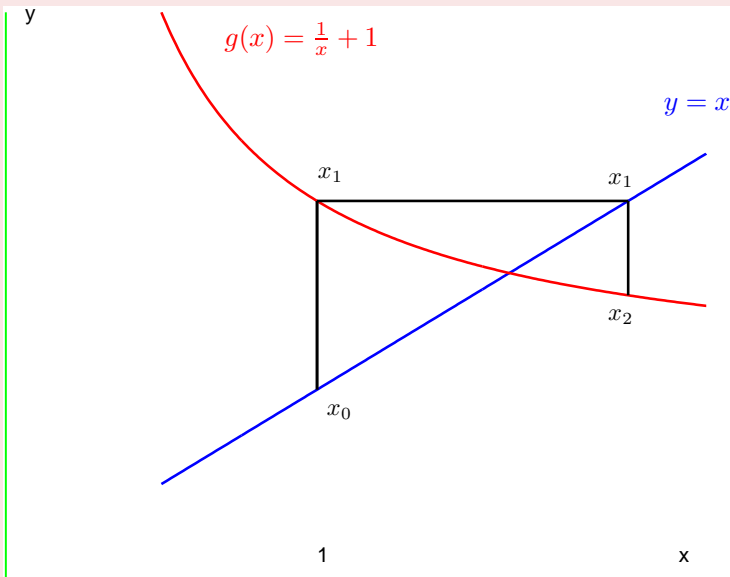
$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \frac{1}{x_n} + 1 \text{ with } x_0 = 1$$

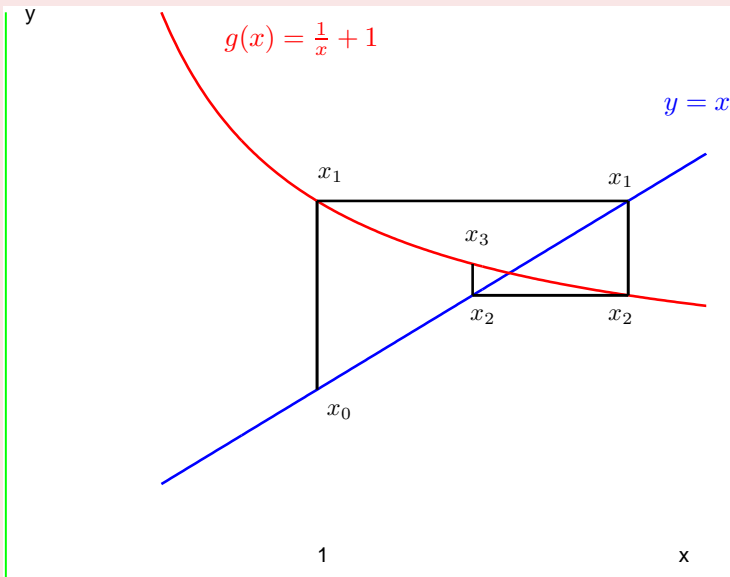


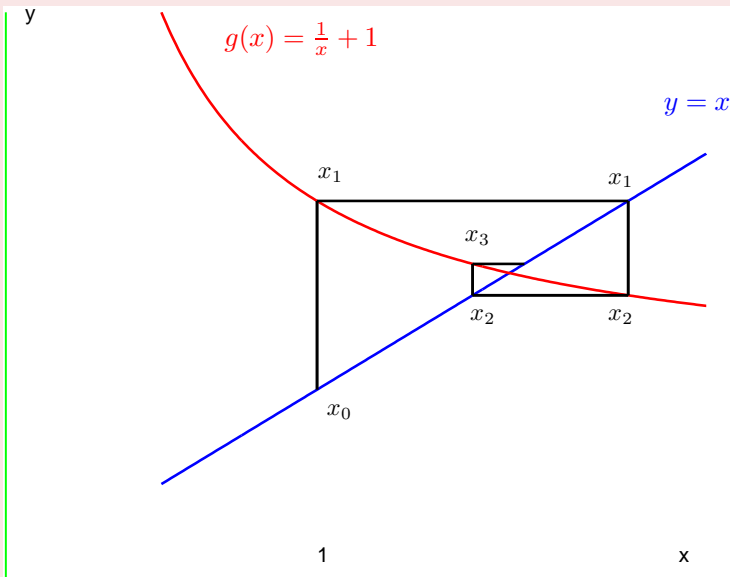
Fixed Point: $g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 1$ $x_0 = 1$

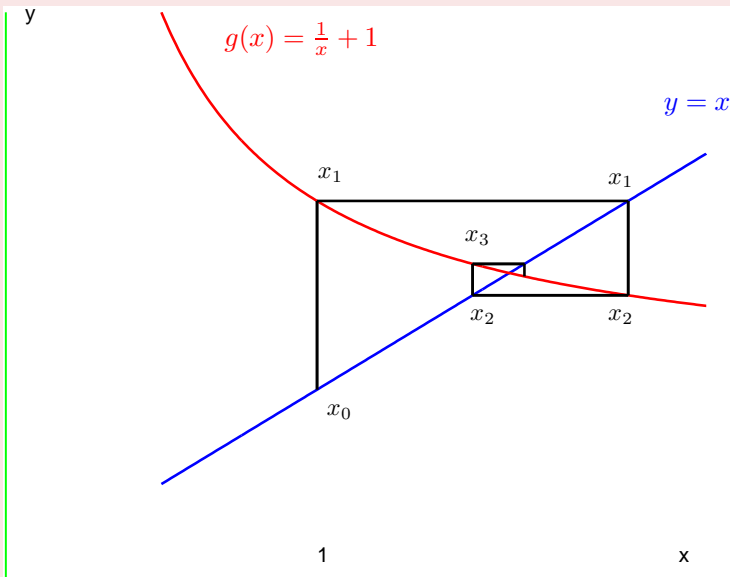
n	p_n	p_{n+1}	$ p_{n+1} - p_n $
1	1.000000000	2.000000000	1.000000000
2	2.000000000	1.500000000	0.500000000
3	1.500000000	1.666666667	0.166666667
4	1.666666667	1.600000000	0.066666667
5	1.600000000	1.625000000	0.025000000

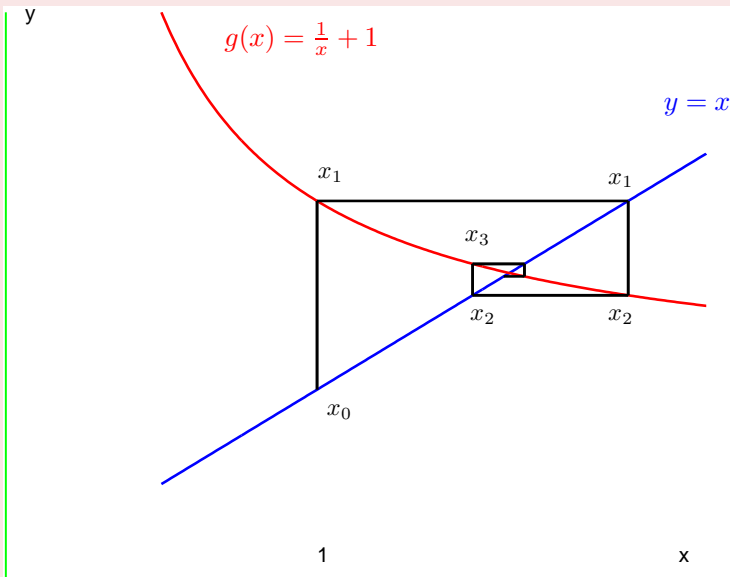


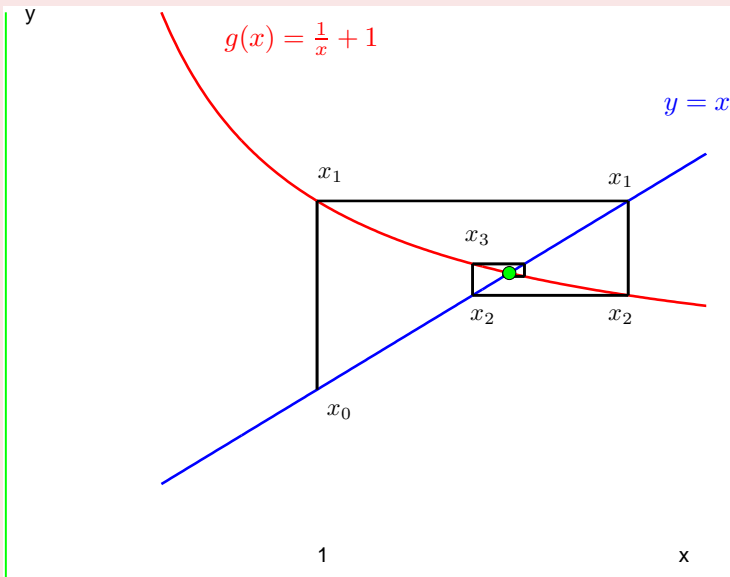












$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \frac{1}{x_n} + 1 \text{ with } x_0 = 1$$

Rate of Convergence

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \frac{1}{x_n} + 1 \text{ with } x_0 = 1$$

Rate of Convergence

We require that $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$. Since

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 1 \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0 \quad \text{for } x$$

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \frac{1}{x_n} + 1 \text{ with } x_0 = 1$$

Rate of Convergence

We require that $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$. Since

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 1 \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0 \quad \text{for } x$$

we find that

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} > -1 \quad \text{for all } x > 1$$

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \frac{1}{x_n} + 1 \text{ with } x_0 = 1$$

Rate of Convergence

We require that $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$. Since

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 1 \quad \text{and} \quad g'(x) = -\frac{1}{x^2} < 0 \quad \text{for } x$$

we find that

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} > -1 \quad \text{for all } x > 1$$

Note

$$g'(p) \approx -0.38197$$

Fixed Point: $g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 1 \quad p_0 = 1$

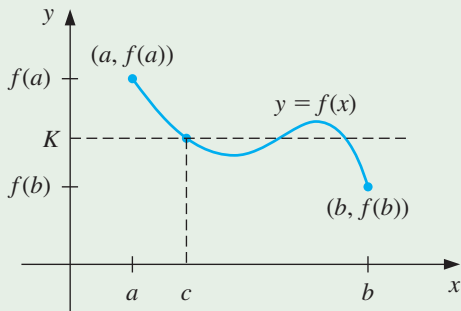
n	p_{n-1}	p_n	$ p_n - p_{n-1} $	e_n/e_{n-1}
1	1.0000000	2.0000000	1.0000000	—
2	2.0000000	1.5000000	0.5000000	0.50000
3	1.5000000	1.6666667	0.1666667	0.33333
4	1.6666667	1.6000000	0.0666667	0.40000
5	1.6000000	1.6250000	0.0250000	0.37500
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
12	1.6180556	1.6180258	0.0000298	0.38197
13	1.6180258	1.6180371	0.0000114	0.38196
14	1.6180371	1.6180328	0.0000043	0.38197
15	1.6180328	1.6180344	0.0000017	0.38197

Questions?

Reference Material

Intermediate Value Theorem

If $f \in C[a, b]$ and K is any number between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$, then there exists a number $c \in (a, b)$ for which $f(c) = K$.

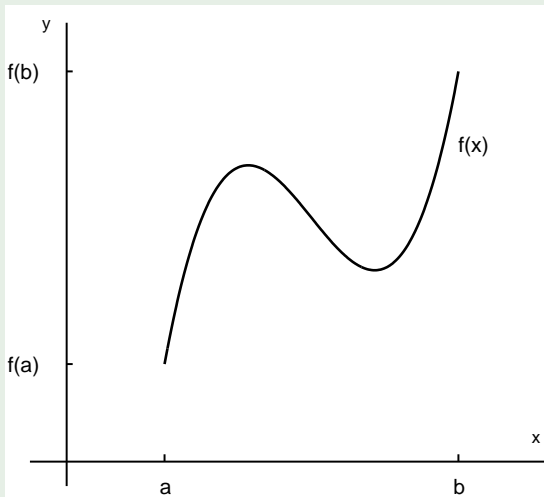


(The diagram shows one of 3 possibilities for this function and interval.)

[Return to Existence Theorem](#)

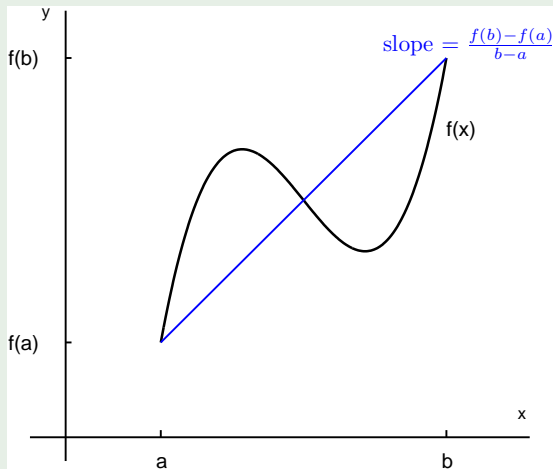
Mean Value Theorem: Illustration (1/3)

Assume that $f \in C[a, b]$ and f is differentiable on (a, b) .



Mean Value Theorem: Illustration (2/3)

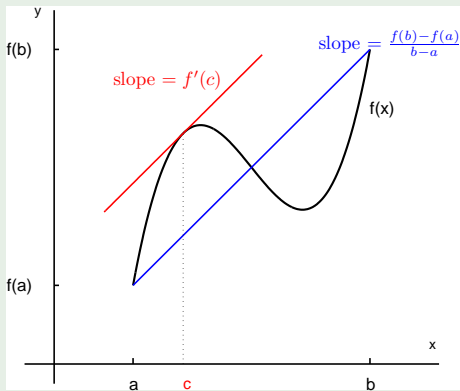
Measure the slope of the line joining $a, f(a)$ and $[b, f(b)]$.



Mean Value Theorem: Illustration (3/3)

Then a number c exists such that

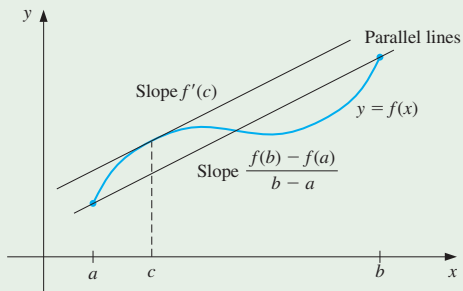
$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$



Mean Value Theorem

If $f \in C[a, b]$ and f is differentiable on (a, b) , then a number c exists such that

$$f'(c) = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$



[Return to Fixed-Point Uniqueness Theorem](#)