

2.5 Accelerating Convergence

Two Methods \Rightarrow Aitken's Δ^2 method
Steffensen's Method

We'd like to have better than linear convergence if possible. Here's a method (Aitken's Δ^2 method) that can accelerate the convergence.

So suppose $\{p_n\}$ is a linearly conv. sequence w/ $\lambda < 1$.

We want to construct a new sequence $\{\hat{p}_n\}$ that converges faster.

Suppose that $p_n - p$, $p_{n+1} - p$, and $p_{n+2} - p$ all agree on sign. Then

$$\frac{p_{n+1} - p}{p_n - p} \approx \frac{p_{n+2} - p}{p_{n+1} - p}$$

We want to solve for p .

$$(P_{n+1} - p)^2 = (P_n - p)(P_{n+2} - p)$$

$$P_{n+1}^2 - 2P_{n+1}p + \cancel{p^2} = P_n P_{n+2} - P_n p - P_{n+2}p + \cancel{p^2} \quad (\text{Move } p\text{'s to other side})$$

$$P_{n+2}p + P_n p - 2P_{n+1}p = P_n P_{n+2} - P_{n+1}^2$$

$$(P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n)p = P_n P_{n+2} - P_{n+1}^2$$

$$p \approx \frac{P_n P_{n+2} - P_{n+1}^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

To make it easier to use, we're going to do an add zero trick

$$p \approx \frac{(P_n P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1}P_n + P_n^2) - (P_{n+1}^2 - 2P_{n+1}P_n + P_n^2)}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

$$p \approx \frac{P_n(P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n)}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n} - \frac{(P_{n+1} - P_n)^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

$$p \approx P_n - \frac{(P_{n+1} - P_n)^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$$

Let $\hat{P}_n = p$, then the sequence defined by $\hat{P}_n = P_n - \frac{(P_{n+1} - P_n)^2}{P_{n+2} - 2P_{n+1} + P_n}$ converges more rapidly than does the original sequence $\{P_n\}$

Example: To do AIKENS

In TIPS0, place sequence values in a list, then do:

3: list

2: 3

1: <<DELT>>

RUN DOSUBS

DELT << ERRO → P0 P1 P2

<< P0 P1 P0 - 2 ^ P2 2 P1 - P0 +

IFERR / THEN + END - >>>

AIKENS (Nothing else on stack!!)

<< DEPTH → LIST
3 <<DELT>> DOSUBS>>

$$\text{Use } G = \sqrt{\frac{10}{x+4}}$$

n	P_n	\tilde{P}_n
1	1.41421356237	1.36523476888
2	1.35904021743	1.36523009045
3	1.36601821953	1.36523001466
4	1.36512974147	1.36523001343
5	1.3652427713	1.36523001342
6	1.36522839026	
7	1.36523021993	

DEF: Given a seq. $\Delta P_n = P_{n+1} - P_n$
 the forward difference ΔP_n is

$$\Delta P_n = P_{n+1} - P_n, \quad n \geq 0.$$

Higher powers are defined recursively:

$$\Delta^k P_n = \Delta(\Delta^{k-1} P_n), \quad \text{for } k \geq 2.$$

It follows that

$$\Delta^2 P_n = \Delta(\Delta P_n) = \Delta(P_{n+1} - P_n) = \Delta P_{n+1} - \Delta P_n = P_{n+1} - P_n - P_n + P_{n+1}$$

Note that this means that Aitken's can be written as

$$\hat{P}_n = P_n - \frac{(P_{n-1} - P_n)^2}{P_{n+1} - 2P_n + P_{n-1}} = P_n - \frac{(\Delta P_n)^2}{\Delta^2 P_n} \quad \text{Nice \& concise!}$$

Aitken's is more rapid in that

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\hat{P}_n - P}{P_n - P} = 0$$

↑
original
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modified

By applying ^{modified} Aitken's method, we can accelerate linear to quadratic! This is called Steffensen's Method.

Here's how it works =

1. Apply fixed point method twice to a starting point
2. Apply Aitken's method to those three points.

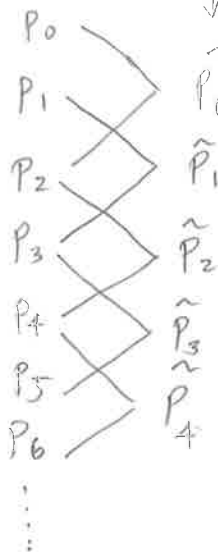
2. Apply Aitken's Δ^2
 This point is now our "new starting" point,
 and we go to Step 1. Repeat until convergence

Here's an illustration between the two methods!

Aitken's Δ^2

fixed pt or some
 \downarrow other method

\downarrow now faster
 converging
 sequence



Steffensen's Method

$$\tilde{P}_0 = P_0^{(0)}$$

$$P_1^{(0)} = g(P_0^{(0)})$$

$$P_2^{(0)} = g(P_1^{(0)})$$

$$\tilde{P}_1 = P_0^{(1)} = \Delta^2(P_0^{(0)}, P_1^{(0)}, P_2^{(0)})$$

$$P_1^{(1)} = g(P_0^{(1)})$$

$$P_2^{(1)} = g(P_1^{(1)})$$

$$\tilde{P}_2 = P_0^{(2)} = \Delta^2(P_0^{(1)}, P_1^{(1)}, P_2^{(1)})$$

\vdots

Every third term is
 generated using Aitken's

$$f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0.$$

Do it using $g(x) = \left(\frac{10}{x+4}\right)^{1/2}$

Do using calc. (or R)

S1X
 << DUP G DUP G DELT >>

DELT \Rightarrow given before

STEP
 << 0 'c' STD 0 SWAP
 PD SWAP DROP DUP DUP G DUP G DELT

'c' 1 STD+ "1: ---" OVER + 9 DISP

UNTIL DUP2 - ABS TOL \leq C CLIM > OR END DROP

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