Convergent Method for the Numerical Calculation of Roots of Real Polynomial Functions

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Introduction:

The Newton-Raphson method is the most widely used numerical calculation method to solve Real polynomial functions, but it has the drawback that it does not always converge. The method proposed in this work establishes the convergence condition and therefore will always converge towards the roots of the equation.

Summary:

Here we propose the numerical calculation of the roots of a Real polynomial function of order H $(f(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{H} a_i x^i; f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R})$, in two phases:

1- Calculation of H-2 roots of the function with a successive approximation method that starts for the calculation of each root with the value of each of the roots of the second derivative of the function. This start condition causes safe convergence towards the value of the root of the function.

2- Direct calculation of the two remaining roots through a second degree equation obtained once the H-2 roots of the function are known.

Process:

In this method, the first approximation to the value of a root of the function will be the value of a root of the second derivative of the function; the second approximation to the value of the root of the function will be the value of x of the intersection point of the abscissa axis with the line tangent to the function at the point whose abscissa corresponds to the value of the root of the second derivative of the function. For this new value of x, the tangent line to the function is specified, and from the point of intersection of that tangent line with the abscissa axis, another value of x is determined that will be even closer to the value of the root of the function. Each time this procedure is repeated, a value of x closer to the root of the function will be achieved until a value as close as desired to the value of the root of the function is obtained. With this method there will always be convergence towards the value of the root of the function.

To obtain the values of the roots of the second derivative of the function to be solved, the successive derivatives of the function are previously determined until the last derivative is a linear function. From this group of successive derivatives, the roots of the intermediate derivatives are calculated, starting from the last derivative if the order of the function to solve is odd and from the penultimate derivative if the order of the function to solve is even, until the values of the roots of the second derivative of the function to solve are calculated. The last derivative equal to zero is a linear equation and the penultimate derivative equal to zero is an equation of the second degree, both are equations of direct resolution. To calculate the roots of each intermediate derivative, we proceed with the approximation method described above.

The successive derivatives of a Real polynomial function are Real polynomial functions. The number of roots of the second derivative of a Real polynomial function is equal to H-2, where H is the order of the function. Thus, knowing the H-2 roots of the function, such function set equal to zero can be reduced to a quadratic equation that allow direct calculation of the remaining two roots. These two roots will be the smallest and the largest of the roots of the function.

A variant of this method will be to test the function until the value of the root is reached or to get a value as close as one wants to the root, from any approximation x obtained in the way described above that is different from the value of the root of the second derivative. The testing is done with values greater than x if x is greater than the value of the root of the second derivative of the function and with values less than x if x is less than the value of the root of the root of the second derivative of the function. It is possible that the value of the root of the second derivative of the function coincides with the value of the root of the function.

Application:

Let $P_0(x)$ be a Real polynomial function; domain $\in \mathbb{R}$, co-domain $\in \mathbb{R}$. Let x(k, n) be the ordinal root k of the function $P_n(x)$ Let x(l, k, n) be the ordinal approximation l to the root x(k, n)Starting from n = 1, $P_n(x)$ is the nth derivative function of the Real polynomial function $P_0(x)$

 $Ec_n: P_n(x) = 0$

Calculation of the Roots of the function $P_0(x)$

Let $P_0(x) = x^3 + 9.5x^2 - 68.5x - 572$ $P_0(x)' = P_1(x) = 3x^2 + 19x - 68.5$ $P_0(x)'' = P_2(x) = 6x + 19$ $P_1(x); P_2(x)$ are the successive derivatives of the function $P_0(x)$

H = 3: the order of $P_0(x)$ is odd $\rightarrow Ec_2 : P_2(x) = 0$; $Ec_2 : 6x + 19 = 0 \rightarrow x(1,2) = -19/6 = -3.166666667$

x(1,2) corresponds to the value of the root of the second derivative of the function $P_0(x)$, so x(1,2) will be the first approximation to a root of the function $P_0(x)$. Then:

 $x(1,1,0) = x(1,2) \rightarrow x(1,1,0) = -3.166666667$

The approximations to the roots of the function are defined by the following formula:

$$x(l+1,k,n) = \frac{-P_n(x(l,k,n)) + P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n)) * x(l,k,n)}{P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n))}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{split} &x(1,1,0) = -3.16666667; \ P_0(x(1,1,0)) = -291.574074 \\ &x(2,1,0) = -6.12430732; \ P_0(x(2,1,0)) = -25.8723704 \\ &x(3,1,0) = -6.48195482; \ P_0(x(3,1,0)) = -1.18069819 \\ &x(4,1,0) = -6.49995055; \ P_0(x(4,1,0)) = -0.00322676 \\ &x(5,1,0) = -6.49999999962522; \ P_0(x(5,1,0)) = -2.4454E - 08 \\ &x(6,1,0) = -6.5; \ P_0(x(6,1,0)) = 0 \\ &\text{Then } x(1,0) = x(6,1,0) \to x(1,0) = -6.5 \end{split}$$

$$\frac{P_0(x)}{(x-x(1,0))} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x+6.5)} = x^2 + 3x - 88$$

 $x^2 + 3x - 88 = 0 \rightarrow x(2,0) = -11; x(3,0) = 8$ Then the roots of the function $P_0(x) = x^3 + 9.5x^2 - 68.5x - 572$ are x(1,0) = -6.5; x(2,0) = -11; x(3,0) = 8

Let

$$\begin{split} P_0(x) &= x^4 - 23.05x^3 + 178.85x^2 - 530.0375x + 465.375 \\ P_0(x)' &= P_1(x) = 4x^3 - 69.15x^2 + 357.7x - 530.0375 \\ P_0(x)'' &= P_2(x) = 12x^2 - 138.3x + 357.7 \\ P_0(x)''' &= P_3(x) = 24x - 138.3 \\ P_1(x); P_2(x); P_3(x) \text{ are the successive derivatives of the function } P_0(x) \end{split}$$

H = 4: the order of $P_0(x)$ is even $\rightarrow Ec_2 : P_2(x) = 0$; $Ec_2 : 12x^2 - 138.3x + 357.7 = 0 \rightarrow x(1,2) = 7.605886246$; x(2,2) = 3.919113736

x(1,2); x(2,2) correspond to the values of each root of the second derivative of the function $P_0(x)$, so x(1,2); x(2,2) will each be the first approximation to one of the roots of the function $P_0(x)$. Then:

x(1,1,0) = x(1,2); x(1,2,0) = x(2,2)

x(1,1,0) = 7.605886246; x(1,2,0) = 3.919113736

The approximations to the roots of the function are defined by the following formula:

$$x(l+1,k,n) = \frac{-P_n(x(l,k,n)) + P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n)) * x(l,k,n)}{P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n))}$$

Thus, $x(1, 1, 0) = 7.605886246; P_0(x(1, 1, 0)) = -15.00585331$ $x(2, 1, 0) = 7.304068549; P_0(x(2, 1, 0)) = -0.194428393$ $x(3, 1, 0) = 7.300002131; P_0(x(3, 1, 0)) = -0.000101776$ $x(4, 1, 0) = 7.3000000000059; P_0(x(4, 1, 0)) = -2.91038E - 11$ $x(5, 1, 0) = 7.3; P_0(x(5, 1, 0)) = 0$ Then $x(1, 0) = x(5, 1, 0) \rightarrow x(1, 0) = 7.3$ $x(1, 2, 0) = 3.919113736; P_0(x(1, 2, 0)) = -16.45631027$ $x(2, 2, 0) = 4.2449483; P_0(x(2, 2, 0)) = -0.24380326$ $x(3, 2, 0) = 4.249996512; P_0(x(3, 2, 0)) = -0.00016823$ $x(4, 2, 0) = 4.2499999999832; P_0(x(4, 2, 0)) = -8.13998E - 11$ $x(5, 2, 0) = 4.25; P_0(x(5, 2, 0)) = 0$ Then $x(2, 0) = x(5, 2, 0) \rightarrow x(2, 0) = 4.25$

$$\frac{P_0(x)}{(x-x(1,0))*(x-x(2,0))} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x-7.3)*(x-4.25)} = x^2 - 11.5x + 15x^2 + 15x^2$$

 $x^{2} - 11.5x + 15 = 0 \rightarrow x(3,0) = 1.5; x(4,0) = 10$

Then the roots of the function $P_0(x) = x^4 - 23.05x^3 + 178.85x^2 - 530.0375x + 465.375$ are x(1,0) = 7.3; x(2,0) = 4.25; x(3,0) = 1.5; x(4,0) = 10

Let $P_0(x) = x^5 - 19x^4 + 133x^3 - 421x^2 + 586x - 280$ $P_0'(x) = P_1(x) = 5x^4 - 76x^3 + 399x^2 - 842x + 586$ $P_0''(x) = P_2(x) = 20x^3 - 228x^2 + 798x - 842$ $P_0'''(x) = P_3(x) = 60x^2 - 456x + 798$ $P_0'''(x) = P_4(x) = 120x - 456$ $P_1(x); P_2(x); P_3(x); P_4(x)$ are the successive derivatives of the function $P_0(x)$

H = 5: the order of $P_0(x)$ is odd $\rightarrow Ec_4$: $P_4(x) = 0$; Ec_4 : $120x-456 = 0 \rightarrow x(1,4) = 456/120 = 3.80$

x(1,4) corresponds to the value of the second derivative of the function $P_2(x)$, so x(1,4) will be the first approximation to a root of the function $P_2(x)$. Then:

$$x(1,1,2) = x(1,4) \to x(1,1,2) = 3.80$$

The approximations to the roots of the function are defined by the following formula:

$$x(l+1,k,n) = \frac{-P_n(x(l,k,n)) + P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n)) * x(l,k,n)}{P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n))}$$

Thus, $x(1,1,2) = 3.80; P_2(x(1,1,2)) = -4.48$ $x(2,1,2) = 3.734502924; P_2(x(2,1,2)) = -0.0005619475$ $x(3,1,2) = 3.73442045758701; P_2(x(3,1,2)) = -2.67369E - 08$ $x(4,1,2) = 3.73442045719464; P_2(x(4,1,2)) = 0$ Then, $x(1,2) = x(4,1,2) \rightarrow x(1,2) = 3.73442045719464$

$$\frac{P_2(x)}{(x-x(1,2))} = \frac{P_2(x)}{(x-3.73442045719464)} = 20x^2 - 153.3115909x + 225.4700588$$

 $20x^2 - 153.3115909x + 225.4700588 = 0 \rightarrow x(2,2) = 1.984337851; x(3,2) = 5.681241692$

x(1,2); x(2,2); x(3,2) correspond to the values of each root of the second derivative of the function $P_0(x)$, so x(1,2); x(2,2); x(3,2) will each be the first approximation to one of the roots of the function $P_0(x)$. Then:

 $\begin{array}{l} x(1,1,0)=x(1,2); x(1,2,0)=x(2,2); x(1,3,0)=x(3,2) \\ x(1,1,0)=3.73442045719464; x(1,2,0)=1.984337851; x(1,3,0)=5.681241692 \end{array}$

Thus,

$$\begin{split} & x(1,1,0) = 3.73442045719464; P_0(x(1,1,0)) = -5.205518732 \\ & x(2,1,0) = 3.989557854; P_0(x(2,1,0)) = -0.188927438 \\ & x(3,1,0) = 3.999947413; P_0(x(3,1,0)) = -0.000946592 \\ & x(4,1,0) = 3.999999999861755; P_0(x(4,1,0)) = -2.48833E - 08 \\ & x(5,1,0) = 3.99999999999995; P_0(x(5,1,0)) = -9.09495E - 13 \\ & x(6,1,0) = 4; P_0(x(6,1,0)) = 0 \\ & \text{Then } x(1,0) = x(6,1,0)) = 4 \\ & x(1,2,0) = 1.984337851; P_0(x(1,2,0)) = 0.470028549 \\ & x(2,2,0) = 1.999997258; P_0(x(2,2,0)) = 8.226E - 05 \\ & x(3,2,0) = 2; P_0(x(3,2,0)) = 0 \\ & \text{Then } x(2,0) = x(3,2,0) = 2 \end{split}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} x(1,3,0)=5.681241692; \ P_0(x(1,3,0))=-26.02866987\\ x(2,3,0)=5.122483594; \ P_0(x(2,3,0))=-3.322773707\\ x(3,3,0)=5.012417523; \ P_0(x(3,3,0))=-0.302023732\\ x(4,3,0)=5.000162194; \ P_0(x(4,3,0))=-0.00389334\\ x(5,3,0)=5.000000028; \ P_0(x(5,3,0))=-6.72E-07\\ x(6,3,0)=5; \ P_0(x(6,3,0))=0\\ \text{Then } x(3,0)=x(6,3,0)=5 \end{array}$

$$\frac{P_0(x)}{(x-x(1,0))*(x-x(2,0))*(x-x(3,0))} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x-4)*(x-2)*(x-5)} = x^2 - 8x + 7$$

$$x^{2} - 8x + 7 = 0 \rightarrow x(4, 0) = 1; x(5, 0) = 7$$

Then the roots of the function $P_0(x) = x^5 - 19x^4 + 133x^3 - 421x^2 + 586x - 280$ are x(1,0) = 4; x(2,0) = 2; x(3,0) = 5; x(4,0) = 1; x(5,0) = 7

Let

$$P_0(x) = 4x^6 + 47x^5 - 25x^4 - 1625x^3 - 4755x^2 - 774x + 7128$$

$$P_0'(x) = P_1(x) = 24x^5 + 235x^4 - 100x^3 - 4875x^2 - 9510x - 774$$

$$P_0''(x) = P_2(x) = 120x^4 + 940x^3 - 300x^2 - 9750x - 9510$$

$$P_0'''(x) = P_3(x) = 480x^3 + 2820x^2 - 600x - 9750$$

$$P_0'''(x) = P_4(x) = 1440x^2 + 5640x - 600$$

$$P_0''''(x) = P_5(x) = 2880x + 5640$$

$$P_1(x); P_2(x); P_3(x); P_4(x); P_5(x) \text{ are the successive derivatives of the function}$$

$$P_0(x)$$

H = 6: the order of $P_0(x)$ is even $\rightarrow Ec_4$: $P_4(x) = 0$; Ec_4 : 1440 $x^2 + 5640x-600 = 0 \rightarrow x(1,4) = 0.103640505$; x(2,4) = -4.020307172

x(1,4); x(2,4) correspond to the values of each root of the second derivative of the function $P_2(x)$, so x(1,4); x(2,4) will each be the first approximation to one of the roots of the function $P_2(x)$. Then:

x(1,1,2) = x(1,4); x(1,2,2) = x(2,4)

x(1,1,2) = 0.103640505; x(1,2,2) = -4.020307172

The approximations to the roots of the function are defined by the following formula:

$$x(l+1,k,n) = \frac{-P_n(x(l,k,n)) + P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n)) * x(l,k,n)}{P_{n+1}(x(l,k,n))}$$

Thus

$$\begin{split} & x(1,1,2) = 0.103640505; \ P_2(x(1,1,2)) = -10522.65704 \\ & x(2,1,2) = -0.972146275; \ P_2(x(2,1,2)) = -1071.535858 \\ & x(3,1,2) = -1.126488055; \ P_2(x(3,1,2)) = -57,91468208 \\ & x(4,1,2) = -1.13585671; \ P_2(x(4,1,2)) = -0.225289266 \\ & x(5,1,2) = -1.13589344053521; \ P_2(x(5,1,2)) = -3.47289E - 06 \\ & x(6,1,2) = -1.13589344110143; \ P_2(x(6,1,2)) = 0 \\ & \text{Then, } x(1,2) = x(6,1,2) \rightarrow x(1,2) = -1.13589344110143 \\ & x(1,2,2) = -4.020307172; \ P_2(x(1,2,2)) = -4893.182078 \\ & x(2,2,2) = -3.326358923; \ P_2(x(2,2,2)) = -302.925922 \\ & x(3,2,2) = -3.273965424; \ P_2(x(3,2,2)) = -4.797983616 \end{split}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} x(4,2,2) = -3.273108156; \ P_2(x(4,2,2)) = -0.001334266 \\ x(5,2,2) = -3.27310791729043; \ P_2(x(5,2,2)) = -9.82254E - 11 \\ x(6,2,2) = -3.27310791729042; \ P_2(x(6,2,2)) = 0 \\ \text{Then, } x(2,2) = x(6,2,2) \rightarrow x(2,2) = -3.27310791729042 \end{array}$

$$\frac{P_2(x)}{(x-x(1,2))*(x-x(2,2))} = \frac{P_2(x)}{(x+1.13589344110143)*(x+3.27310791729042)} =$$

$$120x^{2} + 410.919837x - 2557.894337$$

 $120x^2 + 410.919837x - 2557.894337 = 0 \rightarrow x(3,2) = -6.636320586; x(4,2) = 3.211988611$

x(1,2); x(2,2); x(3,2); x(4,2) correspond to the values of each root of the second derivative of the function $P_0(x)$, so x(1,2); x(2,2); x(3,2); x(4,2) will each be the first approximation to one of the roots of the function $P_0(x)$. Then:

 $\begin{array}{l} x(1,1,0)=x(1,2); x(1,2,0)=x(2,2); x(1,3,0)=x(3,2); x(1,4,0)=x(4,2)\\ x(1,1,0)=-1.13589344110143; x(1,2,0)=-3.27310791729042; x(1,3,0)=-6.636320586; x(1,4,0)=3.211988611 \end{array}$

Thus,

 $x(1,1,0) = -1.13589344110143; P_0(x(1,1,0)) = 4131.706162$ $x(2,1,0) = -2.11248257; P_0(x(2,1,0)) = 742.9221922$ $x(3,1,0) = -2.454274588; P_0(x(3,1,0)) = 190.74192$ $x(4,1,0) = -2.632658847; P_0(x(4,1,0)) = 47.07432746$ $x(5,1,0) = -2.717825371; P_0(x(5,1,0)) = 9.480818473$ $x(6,1,0) = -2.746250841; P_0(x(6,1,0)) = 0.977616188$ $x(7,1,0) = -2.749937564; P_0(x(7,1,0)) = 0.016010015$ $x(8,1,0) = -2.74999998215862; P_0(x(8,1,0)) = 4.5736E - 06$ $x(9,1,0) = -2.75; P_0(x(9,1,0)) = 0$ Then x(1,0) = x(9,1,0) = -2.75 $x(1,2,0) = -3.27310791729042; P_0(x(1,2,0)) = 94.26352751$ $x(2,2,0) = -3.043998843; P_0(x(2,2,0)) = 10.77535494$ $x(3,2,0) = -3.004431196; P_0(x(3,2,0)) = 0.970621883$ $x(4,2,0) = -3.000060425; P_0(x(4,2,0)) = 0.013054303$ $x(5,2,0) = -3.000000012; P_0(x(5,2,0)) = 2.51802E - 06$ $x(6,2,0) = -3; P_0(x(6,2,0)) = 0$ Then x(2,0) = x(6,2,0) = -3 $x(1,3,0) = -6.636320586; P_0(x(1,3,0)) = -33990.09362$ $x(2,3,0) = -5.204995797; P_0(x(2,3,0)) = -6884.453853$ $x(3,3,0) = -4.608916357; P_0(x(3,3,0)) = -1903.411314$ $x(4,3,0) = -4.257615079; P_0(x(4,3,0)) = -499.6909297$ $x(5,3,0) = -4.073012417; P_0(x(5,3,0)) = -104.3835703$

$$\begin{split} & x(6,3,0) = -4.008402666; \ P_0(x(6,3,0)) = -10.671716 \\ & x(7,3,0) = -4.000131054; \ P_0(x(7,3,0)) = -0.63858294 \\ & x(8,3,0) = -4.000000013; \ P_0(x(8,3,0)) = -4.125E - 05 \\ & x(9,3,0) = -4; \ P_0(x(9,3,0)) = 0 \\ & \text{Then } x(3,0) = x(9,3,0) = -4 \\ & x(1,4,0) = 3.211988611; \ P_0(x(1,4,0)) = -80463.81822 \\ & x(2,4,0) = 1.655947094; \ P_0(x(2,4,0)) = -14091.86968 \\ & x(3,4,0) = 1.157618441; \ P_0(x(3,4,0)) = -2598.507123 \\ & x(4,4,0) = 1.013249429; \ P_0(x(4,4,0)) = -200.3679727 \\ & x(5,4,0) = 1.000106866; \ P_0(x(5,4,0)) = -1.60309564 \\ & x(6,4,0) = 1.00000007; \ P_0(x(6,4,0)) = -0.000105 \\ & x(7,4,0) = 1; \ P_0(x(7,4,0)) = 0 \\ & \text{Then } x(4,0) = x(7,4,0) = 1 \end{split}$$

$$\frac{P_0(x)}{(x-x(1,0))*(x-x(2,0))*(x-x(3,0))*(x-x(4,0))} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x+2.75)*(x+3)*(x+4)*(x-1)} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x+2.75)} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x+2.75)*(x+3)*(x+4)*(x-1)} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x+2.75)} = \frac{P_0(x)}{(x+$$

 $x^2 + 3x - 54$

$$x^{2} + 3x - 54 = 0 \rightarrow x(5,0) = -9; x(6,0) = 6$$

Then the roots of the function $P_0(x) = 4x^6 + 47x^5 - 25x^4 - 1625x^3 - 4755x^2 - 774x + 7128$ are x(1,0) = -2.75; x(2,0) = -3; x(3,0) = -4; x(4,0) = 1; x(5,0) = -9; x(6,0) = 6