# On the Convergence of A Parallel Newton-Type Iteration Method For Algebraic Equation

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#### Abstract

A Newton-type iteration method for simultaneously finding all roots of a algebraic equation is presented. The convergence and convergence rate are discussed for the method. The results of efficiency analyses and numerical example are satisfactory.

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## 1. Introduction

Consider algebraic equation of degree  $n \ge 2$ 

$$p(x) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} (x - r_i) = 0$$
(1.1)

with simple roots  $r_1, r_2, \cdots, r_n$ .

A parallel Newton-type method for equation (1.1) was suggested in paper [1], i.e.

$$x_{i}^{(k+1)} = x_{i}^{(k)} - \left[\frac{p(x_{i}^{(k)})}{p'(x_{i}^{(k)})}\right] / \left[1 - \frac{p(x_{i}^{(k)})}{p'(x_{i}^{(k)})}\sum_{\substack{j=1\\j\neq i}}^{n} \frac{1}{x_{i}^{(k)} - x_{j}^{(k)}}\right]$$
(1.2)

Where i = 1, 2, ..., n; k = 0, 1, 2, ...

 $x_i^{(0)}$  (*i* = 1,2,...,*n*) were distinct initial approximations for roots  $r_i$  (*i* = 1,2,...,*n*) of equation (1.1).

In paper [1], the convergence of the iterative method is discussed in a very tedious process.

In the following section 2, we will give a new convergence theorem for iterative method (1.2), and provide a new convergence analysis which is much more concise

than that given in paper [1].

Finally, in Section 3, we give a numerical example and the computation results are satisfactory.

### 2. Convergence analysis

In this section we shall discuss the convergence and convergence rate of iterative method (1.2). The presented convergence analysis is more concise than that given in paper [1]

Let  $k = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$  be the indices of iterations and

$$d = \min_{1 \le i < j \le n} \left| r_i - r_j \right| \tag{2.1}$$

$$h_i^{(k)} = x_i^{(k)} - r_i$$
(2.2)

$$h^{(k)} = \max_{1 \le i \le n} \left| h_i^{(k)} \right|$$
(2.3)

By simple calculation, process (1.2) can also be expressed as follows:

$$h_i^{(k+1)} = \frac{A_i^{(k)}}{1 + A_i^{(k)}} h_i^{(k)}, \qquad (2.4)$$

Where  $h_i^{(k)}$  are defined by (2.2) and

$$A_{i}^{(k)} = \sum_{\substack{j=1\\j\neq i}}^{n} \frac{(r_{j} - x_{j}^{(k)})(x_{i}^{(k)} - r_{i})}{(x_{i}^{(k)} - r_{j})(x_{i}^{(k)} - x_{j}^{(k)})}$$
(2.5)

**Theorem 2.1:** Suppose that initial approximations  $x_j^{(0)}$   $(j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$  satisfy

 $\begin{aligned} \left|x_{j}^{(0)}-r_{j}\right| &< \frac{2d}{3+\sqrt{8n-7}}, \text{ then the iterative process (1.2) converges to the roots} \\ r_{i}\left(i=1,2,\cdots,n\right) \text{ of } p(x)=0, \text{ and there exists a constant } c \quad (\text{independent of } j,k), \\ \text{such that } \left|x_{j}^{(k+1)}-r_{j}\right| &\leq c \left|x_{j}^{(k)}-r_{j}\right|^{3}, \text{ further the convergence order of iterative method} \\ (1.2) \text{ is at least } 3. \end{aligned}$ 

*Proof*: Suppose that  $x_j^{(0)}$   $(j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$  satisfy the condition in theorem 2.1, then there exists a positive constant *s* (*independent of j*) such that  $s > \frac{3 + \sqrt{8n-7}}{2}$ 

and  $|x_{j}^{(0)} - r_{j}| \leq \frac{d}{s} \ (j = 1, 2, \dots, n).$ 

Hence we know that for k = 0 and  $i \neq j$ 

$$|x_i^{(0)} - r_j| \ge |r_i - r_j| - |x_i^{(0)} - r_i| \ge (s - 1)\frac{d}{s},$$
$$|x_j^{(0)} - x_i^{(0)}| \ge |r_i - r_j| - |x_j^{(0)} - r_j| - |x_i^{(0)} - r_i| \ge (s - 2)\frac{d}{s}$$

By (2.5), it follows that

$$\left|A_{i}^{(0)}\right| \leq \sum_{\substack{j=1\\j\neq i}}^{n} \frac{\left|h_{i}^{(0)}\right| \cdot \left|h_{j}^{(0)}\right| s^{2}}{(s-1)(s-2)d^{2}} \leq \frac{n-1}{(s-1)(s-2)} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$(2.6)$$

Let

$$\lambda = \frac{n-1}{(s-1)(s-2)}, \qquad \mu = \frac{\lambda}{1-\lambda}$$
(2.7)

It is evident that  $\mu < 1$ .

Thus, from (2.4) we obtain that for all i

$$\left|h_{i}^{(1)}\right| \leq \frac{\left|A_{i}^{(0)}\right|}{1 - \left|A_{i}^{(0)}\right|} \left|h_{i}^{(0)}\right| \leq \mu \left|h_{i}^{(0)}\right| \leq \frac{d}{s}$$

$$(2.8)$$

Generally, if  $|x_j^{(k)} - r_j| \le \frac{d}{s}$   $(j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ , then we can obtain analogously that

$$\left|A_{i}^{(k)}\right| = \sum_{\substack{j=1\\j\neq i}}^{n} \frac{s^{2} \left|h_{i}^{(k)}\right| \cdot \left|h_{j}^{(k)}\right|}{(s-1)(s-2)d^{2}} \le \lambda < \frac{1}{2}$$
(2.9)

and

By mathematical induction we know that the estimates (2.9) and (2.10) hold for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots n$  and  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ From (2.10) we have

$$|h_i^{(k)}| \le \mu^k |h_i^{(0)}| \le \left(\frac{d}{s}\right) \mu^k$$
 for  $i = 1, 2, \cdots n; k = 0, 1, 2, \cdots$ 

It is evident that  $h_i^{(k)} \to 0 \ (k \to \infty)$ . That is  $x_i^{(k)} \to r_i \ (k \to \infty)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots n$ . Making use of (2.3) and (2.9), we have

$$\left|A_{i}^{(k)}\right| \leq \frac{(n-1)s^{2}}{(s-1)(s-2)d^{2}} \left|h^{(k)}\right|^{2} \leq \frac{\lambda s^{2}}{d^{2}} \left|h^{(k)}\right|^{2}$$

Further, by (2.4) and  $|A_i^{(k)}| < \frac{1}{2}$ , we have  $|h_i^{(k+1)}| \le \frac{2\lambda s^2}{d^2} |h^{(k)}|^3$ . Hence, there exists a constant c (independent of j, k), such that

$$\left| x_{j}^{(k+1)} - r_{j} \right| \leq c \left| x_{j}^{(k)} - r_{j} \right|^{3}$$

 $\left|h_{i}^{(k+1)}\right| \leq \mu \left|h_{i}^{(k)}\right| \leq \frac{d}{s}$ 

So the convergence order of iterative method (1.2) is at least 3.

## **3. Numerical Example**

In this section we will report on a numerical example. The computations were performed on IBM-PC using MATLAB.

**Example :** we consider the equation

$$p(x) = 32x^3 - 56x^2 + 24x - 3 = 0.$$

It is the so-called rayleigh equation in theory of earthquake. The exact roots of the

equation are  $r_1 = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $r_2 = \frac{3-\sqrt{3}}{4}$ ,  $r_3 = \frac{3+\sqrt{3}}{4}$ . We want to find these roots by

Newton-type method (1.2) and famous Newton method. In our computation we choose starting values  $x_1^{(0)} = 0$ ,  $x_2^{(0)} = 0.5$ ,  $x_3^{(0)} = 1$ , and take error  $\varepsilon = 10^{-12}$ .

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(2.10)

The numerical results of process (1.2) are listed in Table 3.1, and for Newton method we only give the final results.

Iterative	Number of Iterations	Numerical Results		
method		$x_1^{(k)}$	$x_2^{(k)}$	$x_{3}^{(k)}$
Method (1.2)	1	0.200000000000	0.37500000000	1.176470588235
	2	0.243808087597	0.323805689748	1.183011463275
	3	0.249955665119	0.317035707337	1.183012701892
	4	0.2499999999979	0.316987298131	1.183012701892
	5	0.250000000000	0.316987298108	1.183012701892
Newton method	8	0.25000000000	0.316987298108	1.183012701892

Table 3.1

From Table 3.1 we see that for Newton method, after eight iterations it attain the precision; for Newton-type method (1.2), after five iterations it attain the precision. Hence, the modified Newton-type method converge faster than Newton method. The numerical results are satisfactory.

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