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Chapter Two

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Lecture 6



II: Quadratic Interpolation Method with Two points:

Given two points α_1 and α_2 and one function value $\Phi(\alpha_1)$ (or $\Phi(\alpha_2)$) and two derivative values $\Phi'(\alpha_1)$ and $\Phi'(\alpha_2)$.

Construct the quadratic interpolation function with the following conditions:

$$q(\alpha_1) = a\alpha_1^2 + b\alpha_1 + c = \Phi(\alpha_1) \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (36)$$

$$q'(\alpha_1) = 2a\alpha_1 + b = \Phi'(\alpha_1) \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (37)$$

$$q'(\alpha_2) = 2a\alpha_2 + b = \Phi'(\alpha_2) \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (38)$$

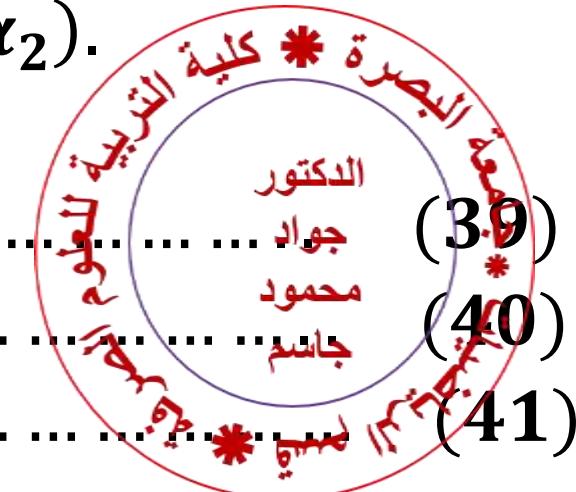
Write $\Phi_1 = \Phi(\alpha_1)$, $\Phi'_1 = \Phi'(\alpha_1)$ and $\Phi'_2 = \Phi'(\alpha_2)$.

Then above equations (36-38) becomes:

$$a\alpha_1^2 + b\alpha_1 + c = \Phi_1 \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (39)$$

$$2a\alpha_1 + b = \Phi'_1 \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (40)$$

$$2a\alpha_2 + b = \Phi'_2 \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (41)$$



We want to find the coefficients a and b .

Subtracting Equations (40) and (41), we have

$$\therefore a = \frac{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}{2(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)} \dots \dots \dots \quad (42)$$

From equations (40), we have

$$b = \Phi'_1 - 2a\alpha_1 = \Phi'_1 - \frac{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)} \alpha_1 \dots \dots \dots \quad (43)$$

Let $\bar{\alpha}$ be the minimizer of the quadratic function $\Phi(\alpha) = a\alpha^2 + b\alpha + c$.

$$\therefore \Phi'(\bar{\alpha}) = 0 \rightarrow 2a\bar{\alpha} + b = 0 \rightarrow \bar{\alpha} = -\frac{b}{2a} .$$

$$\therefore \bar{\alpha} = -\frac{\frac{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)} \alpha_1}{\frac{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}} = -\left[\frac{\frac{\Phi'_1}{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}}{\frac{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}} - \frac{\frac{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)} \alpha_1}{\frac{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}} \right] = \alpha_1 - \frac{\frac{\Phi'_1}{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}}{\frac{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2}} .$$



$$\therefore \bar{\alpha} = \alpha_1 - \frac{\Phi'_1(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2} = \alpha_1 - \frac{\alpha_1 - \alpha_2}{\Phi'_1 - \Phi'_2} \Phi'_1 \dots \dots \dots \quad (44)$$

Therefore, the iteration scheme is

$$\alpha_{k+1} = \alpha_k - \frac{\alpha_k - \alpha_{k-1}}{\Phi'_{k-1} - \Phi'_{k-2}} \Phi'_{k-1} \dots \dots \dots \quad (45)$$

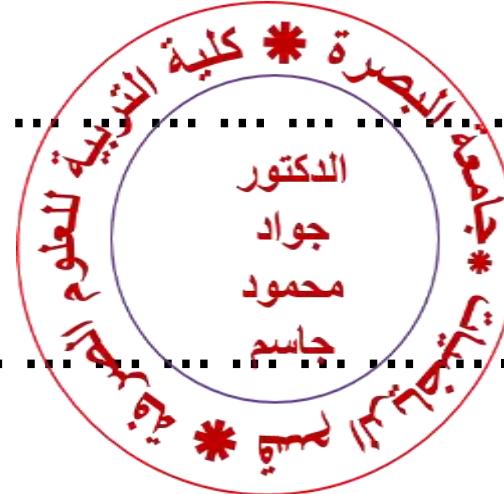
Note (15):

We call the quadratic interpolation method (I) the quadratic interpolation formula, and the quadratic interpolation method (II) the secant formula.

Theorem (7):

- 1: Let $\Phi: R \rightarrow R$ be three times continuously differentiable function.
- 2: Let α^* be such that $\Phi'(\alpha^*) = 0$ and $\Phi''(\alpha^*) \neq 0$.

Then the sequence $\{\alpha_k\}$ generated by Equation (45) converges to α^* with order $\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \cong 1.618$ of converge rate.



Note (16):

Theorem (7) tells us that the secant method has super linear convergence.

III: Quadratic Interpolation Method with Three Points

Given three distinct points α_1, α_2 and α_3 and their function values.

The required interpolation conditions are:

$$q(\alpha_i) = a\alpha_i^2 + b\alpha_i + c = \Phi(\alpha_i), i = 1, 2, 3. \dots \dots \dots \quad (46)$$

Let $\Phi_i = \Phi(\alpha_i), i = 1, 2, 3$.

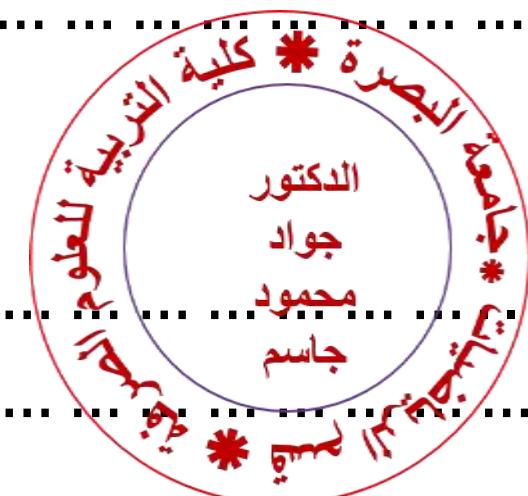
Then we have the following system of equations:

$$q(\alpha_1) = a\alpha_1^2 + b\alpha_1 + c = \Phi_1 \dots \dots \dots \quad (47)$$

$$q(\alpha_2) = a\alpha_2^2 + b\alpha_2 + c = \Phi_2 \dots \dots \dots \quad (48)$$

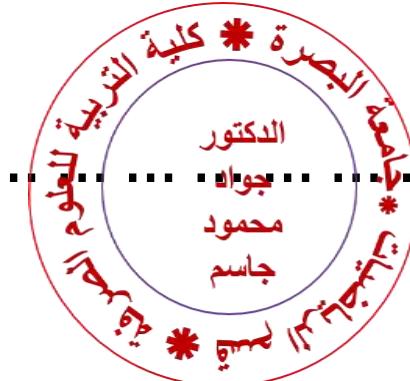
$$q(\alpha_3) = a\alpha_3^2 + b\alpha_3 + c = \Phi_3 \dots \dots \dots \quad (49)$$

Now, solve the Equations (47) – (49) to find the coefficients a, b and c by Cramer's rule as follows:



$$a = \frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta} , \quad \dots \dots \dots \quad (50)$$

where



$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta &= \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_1^2 & \alpha_1 & 1 \\ \alpha_2^2 & \alpha_2 & 1 \\ \alpha_3^2 & \alpha_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \alpha_1^2 \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_2 & 1 \\ \alpha_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \alpha_1 \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_2^2 & 1 \\ \alpha_3^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_2^2 & \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3^2 & \alpha_3 \end{vmatrix} \\
 &= \alpha_1^2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3) - \alpha_1(\alpha_2^2 - \alpha_3^2) + (\alpha_2^2\alpha_3 - \alpha_2\alpha_3^2) \\
 &= \alpha_1^2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3) - \alpha_1(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) + \alpha_2\alpha_3(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3) \\
 &\quad = (\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)[\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_1(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3) + \alpha_2\alpha_3] \\
 &\quad = (\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)[\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_1\alpha_2 - \alpha_1\alpha_3 + \alpha_2\alpha_3] \\
 &\quad = (\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)[\alpha_1(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2) - \alpha_3(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)] \\
 &\quad = (\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(\alpha_1 - \alpha_3) \\
 \therefore \Delta &= -(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1) \dots \dots \dots \quad (51)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_1 &= \begin{vmatrix} \Phi_1 & \alpha_1 & 1 \\ \Phi_2 & \alpha_2 & 1 \\ \Phi_3 & \alpha_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \Phi_1 \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_2 & 1 \\ \alpha_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \alpha_1 \begin{vmatrix} \Phi_2 & 1 \\ \Phi_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \Phi_2 & \alpha_2 \\ \Phi_3 & \alpha_3 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= \Phi_1(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3) - \alpha_1(\Phi_2 - \Phi_3) + (\Phi_2\alpha_3 - \alpha_2\Phi_3) \\
&= (\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\Phi_1 - \alpha_1\Phi_2 + \alpha_1\Phi_3 + \alpha_3\Phi_2 - \alpha_2\Phi_3 \\
\therefore \quad \Delta_1 &= (\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\Phi_1 + (\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)\Phi_2 + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\Phi_3 \quad (52)
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
\Delta_2 &= \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_1^2 & \Phi_1 & 1 \\ \alpha_2^2 & \Phi_2 & 1 \\ \alpha_3^2 & \Phi_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \alpha_1^2 \begin{vmatrix} \Phi_2 & 1 \\ \Phi_3 & 1 \end{vmatrix} - \Phi_1 \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_2^2 & 1 \\ \alpha_3^2 & 1 \end{vmatrix} + \begin{vmatrix} \alpha_2^2 & \Phi_2 \\ \alpha_3^2 & \Phi_3 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= \alpha_1^2(\Phi_2 - \Phi_3) - \Phi_1(\alpha_2^2 - \alpha_3^2) + (\alpha_2^2\Phi_3 - \alpha_3^2\Phi_2) \\
&= \alpha_1^2\Phi_2 - \alpha_1^2\Phi_3 + \Phi_1(\alpha_3^2 - \alpha_2^2) + \alpha_2^2\Phi_3 - \alpha_3^2\Phi_2 \\
\therefore \quad \Delta_2 &= \Phi_1(\alpha_3^2 - \alpha_2^2) + \Phi_2(\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_3^2) + \Phi_3(\alpha_2^2 - \alpha_1^2) \quad (53)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{\Delta_1}{\Delta} = \frac{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\Phi_1 + (\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)\Phi_2 + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\Phi_3}{-(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)} \dots \dots \quad (54)$$

And

$$b = \frac{\Delta_2}{\Delta} = \frac{\Phi_1(\alpha_3^2 - \alpha_2^2) + \Phi_2(\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_3^2) + \Phi_3(\alpha_2^2 - \alpha_1^2)}{-(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)} \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (55)$$

Let $\bar{\alpha}$ be the minimizer of the quadratic function

$$\Phi(\alpha) = a\alpha^2 + b\alpha + c.$$

$$\therefore \Phi'(\bar{\alpha}) = 0 \rightarrow 2a\bar{\alpha} + b = 0 \rightarrow \bar{\alpha} = -\frac{b}{2a}.$$

$$\therefore \bar{\alpha} = -\frac{\frac{\Phi_1(\alpha_3^2 - \alpha_2^2) + \Phi_2(\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_3^2) + \Phi_3(\alpha_2^2 - \alpha_1^2)}{-(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)}}{2 \frac{(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\Phi_1 + (\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)\Phi_2 + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\Phi_3}{-(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)}}$$

$$= - \frac{\Phi_1(\alpha_3^2 - \alpha_2^2) + \Phi_2(\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_3^2) + \Phi_3(\alpha_2^2 - \alpha_1^2)}{2 [(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\Phi_1 + (\alpha_3 - \alpha_1)\Phi_2 + (\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)\Phi_3]}$$



$$\therefore \bar{\alpha} = \frac{\Phi_1(\alpha_2^2 - \alpha_3^2) + \Phi_2(\alpha_3^2 - \alpha_1^2) + \Phi_3(\alpha_1^2 - \alpha_2^2)}{2[\Phi_1(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3) + \Phi_2(\alpha_3 - \alpha_1) + \Phi_3(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)]} \dots \dots \dots \dots \quad (56)$$

Note (17):

Equation (56) is called the quadratic interpolation formula with three points.

