Summary of Lecture 1

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$$f(x) = 0 \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \underbrace{f(x) + x}_{g(x)} = x$$

• $f, g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ continuous on [a, b]

Existence of a fixed point on $\left[a,b\right]$

(*) If g maps [a, b] into [a, b]

Theorem 0.1 (Brouwer's Fixed Point Thm). Suppose $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Then

$$g(x_*) = x_* \quad \exists x_* \in [a, b].$$

Uniqueness of a fixed point on [a, b]

In addition to (*), if g is a contraction on [a, b].

Computation

The simple iteration

$$\{x_k\}, x_{k+1} = g(x_k)$$

converges to this unique fixed point.

Theorem 0.2 (Contraction Mapping). Suppose $g(x) \in [a, b]$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Additionally, suppose there exists an L < 1such that

 $|g(x) - g(y)| \leq L|x - y| \qquad \forall x, y \in [a, b].$

- (1) $g(x_*) = x_*$ for a unique $x_* \in [a, b]$.
- (2) $\{x_k\}, x_{k+1} = g(x_k)$ is s.t. $\lim_{k\to\infty} x_k = x_*$ for all $x_0 \in [a, b]$.

Example.

 $f(x) = x^{2} - 2 \text{ on } [1, 2].$ (1) $g(x) = x^{2} - 2 + x$, $x_{k+1} = x_{k}^{2} - 2 + x_{k}$ (2) $h(x) = \frac{2-x^{2}}{4} + x$, $x_{k+1} = \frac{2-x_{k}^{2}}{4} + x_{k}$ (3) $k(x) = \frac{x^{2}+2}{2x}$, $x_{k+1} = \frac{x_{k}^{2}+2}{2x_{k}}$

Taylor's theorem with 2nd order remainder

Let $g : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be such that g, g' are continuous on [a, b] and g'' exists on (a, b). Then

$$g(b) = g(a) + g'(a)(b-a) + \frac{g''(\varepsilon)}{2}(b-a)^2 \quad \exists \varepsilon \in (a,b).$$

Theorem 0.3 (Taylor's theorem with *p*th order remainder). Let $g : [a,b] \to \mathbb{R}$ be such that $g, g', \ldots, g^{(p-1)}$ are continuous on [a,b] and $g^{(p)}$ exists on (a,b). Then

$$g(b) = g(a) + \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \frac{g^{(j)}(a)}{j!} (b-a)^j + \frac{g^{(p)}(\varepsilon)}{p!} (b-a)^p \quad \exists \varepsilon \in (a,b).$$