#### MALAYSIAN JOURNAL OF MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

Journal homepage: http://einspem.upm.edu.my/journal

# Third Order Convergence Iterative Method for Multiple Roots of Nonlinear Equation

Jamaludin, N. A. A.<sup>1</sup>, Nik Long, N.M.A. <sup>\*1,2</sup>, Salimi, M.<sup>3</sup>, and Ismail, F.<sup>1,2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Department of Mathematics, Faculty of Science, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia <sup>2</sup>Institute for Mathematical Research, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia <sup>3</sup>Center for Dynamics and Institute for Analysis, Department of

Mathematics, Technische UniversitÄt Dresden, Germany

*E-mail:* nmasri@upm.edu.my \*Corresponding author

#### ABSTRACT

We present a new third order convergence iterative method for solving multiple roots of nonlinear equation, which requires one function evaluation and two evaluation of first derivative of function per step. Our present method free from second derivative function. Error term is proved to possess a third order method. Numerical experiments exhibit that our method gives the smallest error of bound per iteration and it is highly accurate as compared to other existing iterative methods.

Keywords: Multi-point iterative methods, Multiple roots, Nonlinear equations, Order of convergence, Root-finding.

#### 1. Introduction

Solving nonlinear equations become the subject of interest to many researchers (see Chun et al. (2009), Dong (1982, 1987), Ferrara et al. (2015), Homeier (2009), Neta (2008), Victory Jr and Neta (1983), Zhou et al. (2013)). The well known modified Newton's method Schroeder and Stewart (1998) is written as

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - m \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)},$$
(1)

which is of second order convergence. Victory and Neta Victory Jr and Neta (1983) developed two-point third order iterative method for solving multiple roots which is given by

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \\ x_{k+1} = y_k - \frac{f(y_k)}{f'(x_k)} \cdot \frac{f(x_k) + Af(y_k)}{f(x_k) + Bf(y_k)}, \end{cases}$$
(2)

where  $A = \mu^{2m} - \mu^{m+1}$ ,  $B = -\frac{\mu^m (m-2)(m-1)+1}{(m-1)^2}$  and  $\mu = \frac{m}{m-1}$ . Equation (2) requires two evaluations of function, f and one evaluation of first derivative of function, f'. Osada (1994) proposed the iterative method for finding the multiple roots of nonlinear equation, written as

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{1}{2}m(m+1)\frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} + \frac{1}{2}(m-1)^2\frac{f'(x_k)}{f''(x_k)}.$$
(3)

This iterative method requires one evaluation of function, f, two evaluations of f' and one evaluation of second derivative, f''. By combining Osada's method (3) and Euler-Chebyshev's method Traub (1977), Chun et al. Chun et al. (2009) produced the new iterative method for multiple zeros given by

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{m((2\gamma - 1)m + 3 - 2\gamma)}{2} \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} + \frac{\gamma(m - 1)^2}{2} \frac{f'(x_k)}{f''(x_k)} - \frac{m^2(1 - \gamma)}{2} \frac{f(x_k)^2 f''(x_k)}{(f'(x_k))^3}$$

where,

$$A = \mu^{2m} - \mu^{m+1}, \ B = -\frac{\mu^m (m-2)(m-1) + 1}{(m-1)^2}, \ \mu = \frac{m}{m-1}, \ \gamma = -1 \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}$$

Neta Neta (2008) developed the new iterative method for multiple zeros with the same number of function evaluations as in (2), written as

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \\ x_{k+1} = y_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} \left(\beta + \gamma \frac{f(y_k)}{f'(x_k)}\right), \end{cases}$$
(5)

Malaysian Journal of Mathematical Sciences

52

where,

$$\beta = m - \frac{m(m-\theta)}{\theta^2}, \ \gamma = \frac{m(m-\theta)}{\rho\theta^2}, \ \rho = \left(\frac{m-\theta}{m}\right)^m \text{ and } \theta \in \mathbb{R}$$

In this paper we develop the iterative method which is free from the evaluation of second derivative of functions.

## 2. Construction of Method

The well known Chebyshev's method for computing the simple iterative method is given by Petkovic et al. (2012)

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} - \frac{f''(x_k)}{2f(x_k)} \left(\frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}\right)^2.$$
 (6)

Equation (6) requires one evaluation of function, one evaluation of first derivative function and one evaluation of second derivative function. Let the Newton-type iterative method be

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{2m}{m+2} \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}.$$
(7)

Expand  $f'(x_{k+1})$  in (7) about  $x = x_k$  yields,

$$f''(x_k) \cong \frac{(m+2)f'(x_k)\left[f'(x_k) - f'(y_k)\right]}{2mf(x_k)}.$$
(8)

Subtituting (8) into (6) gives

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - \frac{2m}{m+2} \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \\ x_{k+1} = y_k - \frac{(m+2)f(x_k)}{4m} \left[ \frac{f'(x_k) - f'(y_k)}{(f'(x_k))^2} \right]. \end{cases}$$
(9)

We introduced the free disposable parameters,  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , such that (9) becomes

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - \frac{2m}{m+2} \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \\ x_{k+1} = y_k - \frac{(m+2)f(x_k)}{4m} \left[ \frac{\alpha f'(x_k) - \beta f'(y_k)}{(f'(x_k))^2} \right]. \end{cases}$$
(10)

Malaysian Journal of Mathematical Sciences

53

### 3. Convergence Analysis

**Theorem 1.** Let  $x^* \in D$  be a multiple roots of a sufficiently smooth function  $f: D \subseteq R \to R$  defined on an open interval D with the multiplicity m > 1, which includes  $x_0$  as an initial approximation of  $x^*$ . Then, the iterative methods defined by (10) has third order convergence when

$$\begin{cases} \alpha = \frac{m^3 (m(m+4)+8)}{(m+2)^2}, \\ \beta = m^{-m+4} (m+2)^{m-1}, \end{cases}$$
(11)

with the error term

$$e_{n+1} = \frac{2c_1^2 e_n^3}{m^3} + O(e_n^4).$$

**Proof.** Let  $e_n := x_n - x^*, e_{n,y} := y_n - x^*, c_i := \frac{m!}{(m+i)!} \frac{f^{m+i}(x^*)}{f^m(x^*)}, c_0 = 1, p = m+1, q = m+2, r = m-1$ . Since  $f(x^*) = 0$ , Taylor expansion of f at  $x^*$  yields

$$f(x_n) = e_n^m \left( 1 + c_1 e_n + c_2 e_n^2 + c_3 e_n^3 \right) + O(e_n^4), \tag{12}$$

and

$$f'(x_n) = e^r \left( m + e_n p c_1 + e_n^2(q) c_2 + e_n^3 \left( (m+3) c_3 + O(e_n^4) \right) \right), \quad (13)$$

hence

$$e_{n,y} = y_n - x^* = \frac{me_n}{q} + \frac{2c_1e_n^2}{m(q)} + \frac{\left(-2(p)c_1^2 + 4mc_2\right)e_n^3}{m^2(q)} + O(e_n^4), \qquad (14)$$

For  $f(y_n)$  we have

$$f(y_n) = e_{n,y}^m \left( 1 + c_1 e_{n,y} + c_2 e_{n,y}^2 + c_3 e_{n,y}^3 \right) + O(e_{n,y}^4).$$
(15)

Substituting (12)-(15) into (10) gives the error term as

$$e_{n+1} = D_1 e_n + D_2 e_n^2 + D_3 e_n^3 + O(e_n^4),$$
(16)

where

$$D_1 = \frac{m}{m+2} + \frac{-m(m+2)\alpha + m^m(m+2)^{-m+2}\beta}{4m^3},$$
(17)

$$D_2 = \frac{q^{-p} \left( m^2 q^m \left( 8m^2 + q^2 \alpha \right) - m^m q^2 \left( 4 + mq \right) \beta \right) c_1}{4m^5}, \quad (18)$$

Malaysian Journal of Mathematical Sciences

54

$$D_{3} = \frac{1}{4m^{7}}q^{-p} \left(H + Jm^{m}q^{2}\beta\right),$$
(19)

$$H = -m^{3}q^{m} \left(8m^{2} + q^{2}\alpha\right) \left(pc_{1}^{2} - 2mc_{2}\right)$$
(20)

and

$$J = \left( \left( 8 + mp(4 + mq) \right) c_1^2 - 2m^2(4 + mq)c_2 \right).$$
(21)

To obtain the convergence order of three, it is necessary to choose  $D_i = 0$ (i = 1, 2) which yield

$$\alpha = \frac{m^3 \left(m(m+4) + 8\right)}{\left(m+2\right)^2},$$

and

$$\beta = m^{-m+4} \left( m + 2 \right)^{m-1},$$

and the error terms become

$$e_{n+1} = \frac{2c_1^2 e_n^3}{m^3} + O(e_n^4),$$

which complete the proof.

#### 4. Numerical Analysis

To analyse the performance of the proposed method, we conduct the numerical comparison by using different type of test functions listed in Table 1. We utilized the software package Mathematica 11 with 200 significant digit multi-precision and compute the error bound, (EB) the computational order of convergence (COC) see Weerakoon and Fernando (2000) and the approximated computational order of convergence (ACOC) as in Grau-Sánchez et al. (2010), which are defined respectively as  $EB = |x_k - x^*|$ ,

$$\operatorname{COC} \approx \frac{\ln |(x_{k+1} - \alpha)/(x_k - \alpha)|}{\ln |(x_k - \alpha)/(x_{k-1} - \alpha)|}$$
(22)

and

ACOC 
$$\approx \frac{\ln |(x_{k+1} - x_k)/(x_k - x_{k-1})|}{\ln |(x_k - x_{k-1})/(x_{k-1} - x_{k-2})|}.$$
 (23)

The following are the list of existing third order iterative methods for multiple roots :

1. Dong's method (DM) Dong (1987), given by

$$y_{k} = x_{k} - \frac{f(x_{k})}{f'(x_{k})},$$

$$x_{k+1} = y_{k} - \frac{f(x_{k})}{\left(\frac{m}{m-1}\right)^{m+1} f'(y_{k}) + \frac{m-m^{2}-1}{(m-1)^{2}} f'(x_{k})}.$$
(24)

- 2. Chun et al.'s method (CBN) Chun et al. (2009), given in (4) with the value of  $\gamma = -1$ .
- 3. Hommier's method (HM) Homeier (2009), given by

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \\ x_{k+1} = x_k - m^2 \left(\frac{m}{m+1}\right)^{m-1} \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} + m(m-1) \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}. \end{cases}$$
(25)

4. Zhou et al.'s method (ZCS) Zhou et al. (2013), given by

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \\ x_{k+1} = x_k + m(m-2)\frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)} - m(m-1)\left(\frac{m}{m-1}\right)^m \frac{f(y_k)}{f'(x_k)}. \end{cases}$$
(26)

5. Ferrara et al.'s method (FSS) Ferrara et al. (2015), given by

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \\ x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{\theta f(x_k)}{\theta f(x_k) - f(y_k)} \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}, \end{cases}$$
(27)  
where  $\theta = \left(\frac{-1+m}{m}\right)^{-1+m}$ .

Table 2 shows that from test functions  $f_1$ - $f_5$  the absolute error of our PM method gives smallest value as compared to other. The value of COC and ACOC proved that our method posses as third order convergence method. Thus, our method is converge faster and give more accurate numerical results as compared to other existing iterative methods.

Test functions	Roots	Multiplicity
$f_1(x) = (\sin^2 x + x)^5$	$\frac{x}{0}$	5
$f_2(x) = (\ln (1+x^2) + e^{x^2 - 3x} \sin x)^6$	0	6
$f_3(x) = (x^3 + \ln(1+x))^7$	0	7
$f_4(x) = (x^6 - 8)^2 \ln (x^6 - 7)$	$\sqrt{2}$	3
$f_5(x) = (\ln(x^3 - x + 1) + 4\sin x - 1)^{10}$	1	10

Table	1:	List	$\mathbf{of}$	$\operatorname{test}$	functions
-------	----	------	---------------	-----------------------	-----------

Table 2:	Error,	COC	and	ACOC	of	$\operatorname{test}$	functions
----------	--------	-----	-----	------	----	-----------------------	-----------

Methods	PM	DM	CBN	HM	ZCS	FSS
$f_1, x_0 = 0.1$						
$ x_1 - x^* $	$0.455e^{-3}$	$0.420e^{-3}$	$0.113e^{-2}$	$0.115e^{-2}$	$0.131e^{-2}$	$0.740e^{-3}$
$ x_2 - x^* $	$0.379e^{-10}$	$0.314e^{-10}$	$0.215e^{-8}$	$0.242e^{-8}$	$0.424e^{-8}$	$0.364e^{-9}$
$ x_3 - x^* $	$0.217e^{-31}$	$0.132e^{-31}$	$0.150e^{-25}$	$0.227e^{-25}$	$0.145e^{-24}$	$0.434e^{-28}$
COC	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000
ACOC	3.0001	3.0000	2.9998	2.9997	2.9996	2.9999
$f_2, x_0 = 0.3$	o	o	o ooo -1	o xoo -1	1	o vot -1
$ x_1 - x^* $	$0.114e^{-1}$	$0.479e^{-1}$	$0.623e^{-1}$	$0.503e^{-1}$	$0.544e^{-1}$	$0.564e^{-1}$
$ x_2 - x^* $	$0.205e^{-6}$	$0.116e^{-3}$	$0.665e^{-5}$	$0.478e^{-3}$	$0.711e^{-3}$	$0.178e^{-4}$
$ x_3 - x^{-} $	$0.115e^{-10}$	$0.223e^{-11}$	$0.320e^{-5}$	$0.300e^{-5}$	$0.116e^{-0}$	$0.437e^{-14}$
000	3.0000	3.0001	3.0011	3.0001	3.0002	3.0000
ACOC	3.0040	2.9490	3.2118	3.0735	3.0804	2.7447
$f_{2}$ $r_{0} = 0.2$						
$J_{3}^{*}, w_{0}^{*} = 0.2$	$0.644e^{-3}$	$0.781e^{-2}$	$0.104e^{-1}$	$0.707e^{-2}$	$0.881e^{-2}$	$0.025e^{-2}$
$ x_1 - x^* $	0.044c $0.180c^{-10}$	$0.376e^{-6}$	0.104c $0.067c^{-6}$	$0.783c^{-6}$	0.0010	0.525c $0.702e^{-6}$
$ x_2 - x $	$0.185e^{-33}$	$0.370e^{-19}$	0.307e $0.830e^{-18}$	0.283e $0.134^{-19}$	0.0.410e $0.0.482e^{-19}$	0.102e $0.316e^{-18}$
$ x_3 - x  $	3 0000	3 0000	3 0000	3 0000	3 0000	3 0000
ACOC	2 9995	2 9986	2 9934	2 9936	2 9921	2,9972
neee	2.0000	2.0000	2.0001	2.0000	2.0021	2.0012
$f_4, x_0 = 1.5$						
$ x_1 - x^* $	$0.956e^{-3}$	$0.221e^{-2}$	$0.422e^{-2}$	$0.299e^{-2}$	$0.329e^{-2}$	$0.329e^{-2}$
$ x_2 - x^* $	$0.944e^{-8}$	$0.329e^{-6}$	$0.592e^{-5}$	$0.631e^{-6}$	$0.915e^{-6}$	$0.163e^{-5}$
$ x_3 - x^* $	$0.848^{-23}$	$0.970e^{-18}$	$0.129e^{-13}$	$0.551e^{-17}$	$0.184e^{-16}$	$0.171e^{-15}$
CÕC	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000
ACOC	3.0059	3.0134	3.0339	3.0088	3.0085	3.0207
$f_5, x_0 = 1.2$						
$ x_1 - x^* $	$0.552e^{-4}$	$0.146e^{-2}$	$0.182e^{-2}$	$0.152e^{-2}$	$0.165e^{-2}$	$0.164e^{-2}$
$ x_2 - x^* $	$0.337e^{-15}$	$0.688e^{-9}$	$0.171e^{-8}$	$0.832e^{-9}$	$0.0.116e^{-8}$	$0.109e^{-8}$
$ x_3 - x^* $	$0.763e^{-49}$	$0.719e^{-28}$	$0.141e^{-26}$	$0.137e^{-27}$	$0.404e^{-27}$	$0.322e^{-27}$
COC	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000	3.0000
ACOC	3.0001	2.9999	2.9998	2.9998	2.9998	2.9999

## 5. Conclusion

In this paper, we developed a new third order convergence iterative method to obtain multiple roots for nonlinear equation. The new proposed method requires one function evaluation and two evaluation of the first derivatives. From the numerical, the new method shows rapid convergence compared to other existing methods in the scientific literature.

### References

- Chun, C., Bae, H. J., and Neta, B. (2009). New families of nonlinear thirdorder solvers for finding multiple roots. *Computers and Mathematics with Applications*, 57(9):1574–1582.
- Dong, C. (1982). A basic theorem of constructing an iterative formula of the higher order for computing multiple roots of an equation. *Mathematics Numerical Sinica*, 11:445–450.
- Dong, C. (1987). A family of multipoint iterative functions for finding multiple roots of equations. *International Journal of Computer Mathematics*, 21(3-4):363–367.
- Ferrara, M., Sharifi, S., and Salimi, M. (2015). Computing multiple zeros by using a parameter in Newton-Secant method. SeMA Journal, pages 1–9.
- Grau-Sánchez, M., Noguera, M., and Gutiérrez, J. M. (2010). On some computational orders of convergence. Applied Mathematics Letters, 23(4):472–478.
- Homeier, H. H. H. (2009). On Newton-type methods for multiple roots with cubic convergence. Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics, 231(1):249–254.
- Neta, B. (2008). New third order nonlinear solvers for multiple roots. Applied Mathematics and Computations, 202(1):162–170.
- Osada, N. (1994). An optimal multiple root-finding method of order three. Journal of Computational and Applied Mathematics, 51(1):131–133.
- Petkovic, M., Neta, B., Petkovic, L., and Dzunic, J. (2012). Multipoint methods for solving nonlinear equations. Academic Press, London.
- Schroeder, E. and Stewart, G. W. (1998). On infinitely many algorithms for solving equations. *Institute for Advanced Computer Studies*, University of Maryland, College Park,, UMIACS-TR-92–121.

Traub, J. F. (1977). Iterative methods for the solution of equations. New York.

- Victory Jr, H. D. and Neta, B. (1983). A higher order method for multiple zeros of nonlinear functions. *International Journal of Computer Mathematics*, 12(3-4):329–335.
- Weerakoon, S. and Fernando, T. G. I. (2000). A variant of Newton's method with accelerated third-order convergence. Applied Mathematics Letters, 13(8):87–93.
- Zhou, X., Chen, X., and Song, Y. (2013). Families of third and fourth order methods for multiple roots of nonlinear equations. Applied Mathematics and Computation, 219(11):6030–6038.