

# Sufficient convergence conditions for certain accelerated successive approximations

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## Abstract

We have recently characterized the  $q$ -quadratic convergence of the perturbed successive approximations. For a particular choice of the parameters, these sequences resulted as accelerated iterations toward a fixed point.

We give here a Kantorovich-type result, which provides sufficient conditions ensuring the convergence of the accelerated iterates.

## 1 Introduction

Let  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  be a Banach space and  $G : \Omega \subseteq X \rightarrow \Omega$  a nonlinear mapping having  $x^* \in \text{int } \Omega$  as fixed point:

$$x^* = G(x^*).$$

We are interested in the  $q$ -quadratic convergence toward  $x^*$  of the sequences of successive approximation type. Recall that an arbitrary sequence  $(y_k)_{k \geq 0} \subset X$  converges ( $q$ -)quadratically to its limit  $\bar{y} \in X$  if [11], [12], [13]

$$\inf \{ \alpha \in [1, +\infty) : Q_\alpha \{y_k\} = +\infty \} = 2,$$

where

$$Q_\alpha \{y_k\} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } y_k = \bar{y}, \text{ for all but finitely many } k, \\ \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|y_{k+1} - \bar{y}\|}{\|y_k - \bar{y}\|^\alpha}, & \text{if } y_k \neq \bar{y}, \text{ for all but finitely many } k, \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

In the case when  $0 < Q_2 \{y_k\} < +\infty$ , one obtains the well known estimate of the form

$$\|y_{k+1} - \bar{y}\| \leq (Q_2 \{y_k\} + \varepsilon) \|y_k - \bar{y}\|^2, \quad \text{for all } k \geq k_0$$

(in the sense that for all  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $k_0 \geq 0$  such the above inequalities hold).

The successive approximations converging quadratically to  $x^*$  are characterized by the following result.

**Theorem 1.1** [6] *Assume that  $G$  is differentiable on a neighborhood  $D$  of  $x^*$ , with the derivative  $G'$  Lipschitz continuous:*

$$\|G'(x) - G'(y)\| \leq L \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in D.$$

Suppose further that for a certain initial approximation  $x_0 \in D$ , the successive approximations

$$x_{k+1} = G(x_k), \quad k \geq 0,$$

converge to  $x^*$ , and  $I - G'(x_k)$  are invertible starting from a certain step.

Then the convergence is with order 2 if and only if  $G'$  has a zero eigenvalue and, starting from a certain step, the corrections  $x_{k+1} - x_k$  are corresponding eigenvectors:

$$G'(x^*)(x_{k+1} - x_k) = 0, \quad \forall k \geq k_0.$$

This condition holds equivalently iff the errors  $x_k - x^*$  are corresponding eigenvectors:

$$G'(x^*)(x_k - x^*) = 0, \quad \forall k \geq k_0,$$

or iff

$$x_k \in x^* + \text{Ker } G'(x^*), \quad \forall k \geq k_0.$$

This result implies that if  $G'$  has no eigenvalue 0, there exists no sequence of successive approximations converging to  $x^*$  with order 2.<sup>1</sup> In such a case, one may choose to consider for some  $(\delta_k)_{k \geq 0} \subset X$  the perturbed successive approximations

$$x_{k+1} = G(x_k) + \delta_k, \quad k \geq 0. \quad (1)$$

Their quadratic convergence is characterized by the following result, which does not require the existence of the eigenvalue 0.

**Theorem 1.2** [6] *Suppose that  $G$  satisfies the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, and that the sequence (1) of perturbed successive approximations converges to  $x^*$ . Then the convergence is with  $q$ -order 2 iff*

$$\|G'(x_k)(x_k - G(x_k)) + (I - G'(x_k))\delta_k\| = O(\|x_k - G(x_k)\|^2), \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2)$$

In [5] we have shown that if we write

$$\delta_k = (I - G'(x_k))^{-1}(G'(x_k)(G(x_k) - x_k) + \gamma_k)$$

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<sup>1</sup>In this case, the successive approximations cannot converge faster than  $q$ -linearly [6].

with  $(\gamma_k)_{k \geq 0} \subset X$ , then condition

$$\gamma_k = O(\|x_k - G(x_k)\|^2), \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty,$$

is equivalent to (2).

We have also noticed in [5] that, under the assumption  $\|G'(x)\| \leq q < 1$  for all  $x$  in a certain neighborhood of  $x^*$ , and for a given  $K > 0$ , a natural choice (implied by the Banach lemma) for  $\delta_k$  is:

$$\delta_k = (I + \cdots + G'(x_k)^{i_k})G'(x_k)(G(x_k) - x_k),$$

with  $i_k$  such that

$$\frac{q^{i_k+2}}{1-q} \leq K\|x_k - G(x_k)\|. \quad (3)$$

When applying Theorem 1.2 to characterize the quadratic convergence of the resulted sequence

$$x_{k+1} = G(x_k) + (I + \cdots + G'(x_k)^{i_k})G'(x_k)(G(x_k) - x_k), \quad k \geq 0, \quad (4)$$

with  $i_k$  given by (3), we must assume that this sequence converges to the fixed point  $x^*$ . But is this assumption reasonable? The purpose of this note is to show that under certain natural conditions the sequence converges to  $x^*$ , so the answer is positive.

## 2 Main result

First of all, we remark that the fixed point problem is equivalent to solving

$$F(x) = 0, \quad \text{with } F(x) = x - G(x),$$

for which the Newton method generates the iterates

$$\begin{aligned} s_k^N &= -F'(x_k)^{-1}F(x_k) \\ x_{k+1} &= x_k + s_k^N, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

In this setting, iterations (4) may be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= x_k + (I + G'(x_k) + \dots + G'(x_k)^{i_k+1})(G(x_k) - x_k) \\ &:= x_k + s_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, \\ &\text{with } i_k \text{ s.t. } \frac{q^{i_k+2}}{1-q} \leq K\|F(x_k)\|, \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

i.e., as quasi-Newton iterations (see, e.g., [11], [8], [7]).

We obtain the following sufficient Kantorovich-type conditions for the convergence to  $x^*$  of these iterates.

**Theorem 2.1** *Assume that  $G$  is differentiable on the domain  $\Omega$ , with  $G'$  bounded on  $\Omega$  by*

$$\|G'(x)\| \leq q < 1, \quad \forall x \in \Omega, \quad (7)$$

*and Lipschitz continuous:*

$$\|G'(x) - G'(y)\| \leq L \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in \Omega.$$

*Let  $x_0 \in \Omega$  and  $K > 0$  be chosen such that*

$$\nu = \left( \frac{L}{2(1-q)^2} + K(1+q) \right) \|F(x_0)\| < 1, \quad (8)$$

*and suppose that  $\bar{B}_r(x_0) = \{x \in X : \|x - x_0\| \leq r\} \subseteq \Omega$  for*

$$r = \frac{1}{(1-\nu)(1-q)} \|F(x_0)\|.$$

*Then the elements of the sequence defined by (6) remain in the ball  $\bar{B}_r(x_0)$  and converge to a fixed point  $x^*$  of  $G$ , which is unique in this ball. According to Theorem 1.2, the convergence is quadratic.*

*Proof.* Recall first [11, 3.2.12] that the Lipschitz hypothesis on  $G'$  implies that

$$\|G(y) - G(x) - G'(x)(y - x)\| \leq \frac{L}{2} \|y - x\|^2, \quad \forall x, y \in \Omega,$$

while (7) attracts the existence of  $(I - G'(x))^{-1} = I + G'(x) + \dots + G'(x)^k + \dots$  and the bound

$$\|(I - G'(x))^{-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{1-q}, \quad \forall x \in \Omega.$$

Our hypotheses imply the following inequalities:

$$\|s_0\| \leq \frac{1}{1-q} \|F(x_0)\|$$

i.e.,  $x_1 \in \bar{B}_r(x_0)$  and also

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(x_1)\| &= \|F(x_1) - F(x_0) - F'(x_0)s_0^N\| \quad (\text{by (5)}) \\ &\leq \|F(x_1) - F(x_0) - F'(x_0)s_0\| + \|F'(x_0)(s_0^N - s_0)\| \\ &\leq \|G(x_1) - G(x_0) - G'(x_0)s_0\| + (1+q) \|s_0^N - s_0\| \\ &\leq \frac{L}{2} \|s_0\|^2 + (1+q) \|G'(x_0)^{i_0+2}(I + G'(x_0) + \dots)F(x_0)\| \\ &\leq \frac{L}{2}(1+q + \dots + q^{i_0+1})^2 \|F(x_0)\|^2 + \frac{q^{i_0+2}}{1-q}(1+q) \|F(x_0)\| \\ &\leq \frac{L(1-q^{i_0+2})^2}{2(1-q)^2} \|F(x_0)\|^2 + K(1+q) \|F(x_0)\|^2 \\ &\leq \nu \|F(x_0)\|. \end{aligned}$$

In an analogous fashion, we obtain by induction that for all  $k \geq 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \|F(x_k)\| &\leq \left(\frac{L}{2(1-q)^2} + K(1+q)\right) \|F(x_{k-1})\|^2 \\ &\leq \nu \|F(x_{k-1})\| \\ &\vdots \\ &\leq \nu^k \|F(x_0)\|, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_k - x_{k-1}\| &= \|s_{k-1}\| \leq \frac{1}{1-q} \|F(x_{k-1})\| \leq \frac{\nu^{k-1}}{1-q} \|F(x_0)\|, \\ \|x_k - x_0\| &\leq \|x_k - x_{k-1}\| + \dots + \|x_1 - x_0\| \leq \frac{1}{(1-\nu)(1-q)} \|F(x_0)\| = r. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{k+m} - x_k\| &\leq \|x_{k+m} - x_{k+m-1}\| + \dots + \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| \\ &\leq \frac{\nu^{k+m-1} + \dots + \nu^k}{(1-q)} \|F(x_0)\| \\ &\leq \frac{\nu^k}{(1-\nu)(1-q)} \|F(x_0)\|, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $(x_k)_{k \geq 0}$  is a Cauchy sequence, and therefore converges to a certain  $x^* \in \bar{B}_r(x_0)$ . By the definition and continuity of  $F$ ,  $x^*$  is a fixed point of  $G$ , which is unique in  $\bar{B}_r(x_0)$  (and also in  $\Omega$ ) since  $G$  is a contraction. ■

We note that condition (8) contains certain natural demands:  $\|F(x_0)\|$  is sufficiently small (which holds, e.g., when  $x_0$  is sufficiently close to  $x^*$ ),  $q$  is sufficiently small (in accordance with the results in [6]), the Lipschitz constant  $L$  is sufficiently small (the graph of  $G$  is close to a constant in case  $X = R$ ) and  $K$  is sufficiently small (the linear systems are solved with increasingly precision, the iterates approaching to those given by the Newton method—see the classical results of Dennis and Moré [8]).

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