

# CONVERGENCE BY NONDISCRETE MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION OF A TWO STEP SECANT'S METHOD

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**ABSTRACT.** We use the nondiscrete mathematical induction method for the semi-local convergence of a two step secant's iterative scheme on a Banach space. The scheme does not need to evaluate neither any Fréchet derivative nor any bilinear operator, but having a high speed of convergence.

**1. Introduction.** We consider the problem of approximating locally the unique solution  $x^*$  of a nonlinear equation

$$(1) \quad f(x) = 0,$$

where  $f$  is a continuous operator defined on the closed convex domain  $D$  of a Banach space  $E_1$  with values in a Banach space  $E_2$ .

We use the two step Steffensen's method given by

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} y_{n+1} &= x_n - [x_n, x_n + \alpha_n(y_n - x_n); f]^{-1} f(x_n), \\ x_{n+1} &= y_{n+1} - [x_n, x_n + \alpha_n(y_n - x_n); f]^{-1} f(y_{n+1}), \quad n \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

to generate two sequences converging to  $x^*$ .

In order to control the stability in practice, the  $\alpha_n$  can be computed such that

$$\text{tol}_c << |\alpha_n(y_n - x_n)| \leq \text{tol}_u,$$

where  $\text{tol}_c$  is related with the computer precision and  $\text{tol}_u$  is a free parameter.

Here  $[x, y; f] \in L(E_1, E_2)$  is a divided difference of order one for the operator  $f$  on the points  $x, y \in D$ . If  $f$  is Fréchet differentiable, then

$$(3) \quad [x, y; f] = \int_0^1 f'(x + t(y - x)) dt, \quad \text{for all } x, y \in D.$$

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