# ON THE SEMI-LOCAL CONVERGENCE OF A THIRD ORDER METHOD FOR SOLVING NONLINEAR EQUATIONS 

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#### Abstract

Local convergence of high order methods for solving nonlinear equations defined on abstract spaces has been studied extensively by a plethora of authors. But this is not the case for semilocal convergence of these methods which is certainly a more interesting case. A technique is developed based on majorizing sequences and the notion of restricted Lipschitz condition to provide a semi-local convergence analysis for the third convergent order Noor-Waseem method. Due to the generality of our technique it can be used on other high order methods. Numerical applications complete this article.


## 1. Introduction

In this article we are concerned with the task of finding a solution $x_{*}$ for

[^0]the nonlinear equation
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\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{L}(x)=0 \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

\]

where, $\mathcal{L}: D \subset \mathcal{T}_{1} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{2}$ is a differentiable in the sense of Fréchet, $\mathcal{T}_{1}$ and $\mathcal{T}_{2}$ stand for Banach spaces and $D \neq \emptyset$ is an open set. Throughout the article $B\left(x_{0}, \rho\right)=\left\{x \in \mathcal{T}_{1}:\left\|x-x_{0}\right\|<\rho\right\}$ and $B\left[x_{0}, \rho\right]=\left\{x \in \mathcal{T}_{1}:\left\|x-x_{0}\right\|\right.$ $<\rho\}$ for some $\rho>0$.

A plethora of applications from applied as well as the theoretical disciplines can be reduced to determining the point $x_{*} \in D$. But this task is very difficult in general. Moreover, the closed form of $x_{*}$ is hard to find unless in special cases. This forces researchers and practitioners to resort to iterative approximations to $x_{*}$. A plethora of such approximations can be found in the literature [1-13]. Among those the most use full are the high convergence order ones. We notice that many local convergence results exist for these methods relying on Taylor expansions and derivatives of order at least one higher than the order of the method. As an example consider the third order Noor-Waseen method [8] defined by

$$
\begin{gather*}
x_{*} \in D, y_{k}=x_{k}-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) \\
x_{k+1}=x_{k}-4 A_{k}^{-1} \mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) \tag{1.2}
\end{gather*}
$$

where $A_{k}=3 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right)+\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(y_{k}\right)$.
The existence of derivatives up to fourth order has been assumed although derivatives of order two and above do not appear on method (1.2). Moreover, method (1.2) may converge even if derivatives other than the first do not exist. Consider the academic and motivational example: in the scalar case for $D=\left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right]$.

$$
\begin{equation*}
f(t)=0 \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
f(t)=\left\{\begin{array}{cl}
t^{5}-t^{4}+t^{3} \log t^{2} & \text { if } t \neq 0 \\
0 & \text { if } t=0
\end{array}\right.
$$

Then, notice that $x_{*}=1 \in D$ and

$$
f^{\prime \prime \prime}(t)=6 \log t^{2}+60 t^{2}-24 t+22 .
$$

But then, the third derivative of $f$ is unbounded on $D$. Therefore, convergence is not assured by the results in [8]. There are no uniqueness of $x_{*}$ results or error bounds on $\left\|x_{n}-x_{*}\right\|,\left\|y_{n}-x_{n}\right\|,\left\|x_{n+1}-x_{n}\right\|$ that can be computed. The same observations can be made for the local results of other methods [1-7, 9-13]. Hence, there is a need to develop results using conditions only on the first derivative that appears on these methods. These results should also provide the uniqueness of $x_{*}$ and the error bounds in advance. Moreover, they should be given for the more interesting semi-local case. It turns out that these objectives can be achieved not only for (1.2) but for other methods too in a similar way. This is the novelty and motivation of our article. That is to expand the applicability under weaker conditions for these methods.

Majorizing sequences for method (1.2) are introduced and studied in Section 2. The semi-local convergence is given in Section 3 for method (1.2). Numerical applications appear in Section 4. Concluding remarks in Section 5 complete this article.

## 2. Majorizing Sequences

Scalar sequences are developed that majorize method (1.2). Let $L_{0}>0, L>0, L_{1}>0$ and $\eta \geq 0$ be given constants. Define sequence $\left\{t_{n}\right\}$ by

$$
\begin{align*}
t_{0} & =0, s_{0}=\eta \\
t_{n+1} & =s_{n}+\frac{2 L\left(s_{n}-t_{n}\right)^{2}}{1-\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left(t_{n}-2 s_{n}\right)} \\
s_{n+1} & =t_{n+1}+\frac{L\left(2\left(s_{n}-t_{n}\right)+t_{n+1}-t_{n}\right)\left(t_{n+1}-t_{n}\right)}{2\left(1-L_{0} t_{n+1}\right)} . \tag{2.1}
\end{align*}
$$

Next, we present convergence criteria for sequence $\left\{t_{n}\right\}$.
Lemma 2.1. Suppose that for all $n=0,1,2, \ldots$

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{0}\left(t_{n}+2 s_{n}\right)<6 \text { and } L_{0} t_{n+1}<1 \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then, sequence $\left\{t_{n}\right\}$ is nondecreasing bounded from above by $\frac{1}{L_{0}}$ and converges to its unique least upper bound $t^{*} \in\left[0, \frac{1}{L_{0}}\right]$.

Proof. It follows by (2.1) and (2.2) that $0 \leq t_{n} \leq s_{n} \leq t_{n+1}<\frac{1}{L_{0}}$. Hence, we conclude $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} t_{n}=t^{*}$.

The second convergence result contains stronger criteria than (2.1) but which are easier to verify. Consider recurrent polynomials on the interval $[0,1)$ by

$$
\begin{aligned}
f_{n}^{(1)} & =2 L t^{n-1} \eta+\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left(3\left(1+t+\ldots+t^{n}\right) \eta+2 t^{n} \eta\right)-1 \\
f_{n}^{(2)}(t) & =L(3+t)(1+t) t^{n-1} \eta+2 L_{0}\left(1+t+\ldots+t^{n+1}\right) \eta-2 \\
g_{1}(t) & =2 L t-2 L+\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left(5 t^{2}-2 t\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
g_{2}(t)=L(3+t)(1+t) t-L(3+t)(1+t)+2 L_{0} t^{2}
$$

It follows by these definitions that

$$
g_{1}(0)=-2 L, g_{1}(1)=\frac{L_{0}}{2}, g_{2}(0)=-3 L, g_{2}(t)=2 L_{0} .
$$

The intermediate value theorem asserts that polynomials $g_{1}$ and $g_{2}$ have zeros in the interval $(0,1)$. Denote by $\delta_{1}$ and $\delta_{2}$ the smallest such zeros. respectively.

It turns out that these polynomials are related.

Lemma 2.2. The following assertions hold
(1) $f_{n+1}^{(1)}(t)=f_{n}^{(1)}(t)+g_{1}(t) t^{n-1} \eta, f_{n+1}^{(1)}(t)=f_{n}^{(1)}(t)$ at $t=\delta_{1}$.
(2) $f_{n+1}^{(2)}(t)=f_{n}^{(2)}(t)+g_{2}(t) t^{n-1} \eta$,

$$
f_{n+1}^{(2)}(t)=f_{n}^{(2)}(t) \text { at } t=\delta_{2}
$$

Proof. It follows by the definition of these polynomials in turn that:
(1) $f_{n+1}^{(1)}(t)=f_{n+1}^{(1)}-f_{n}^{(1)}(t)+f_{n}^{(1)}(t)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =2 L t^{n} \eta+\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left(3\left(1+t+\ldots+t^{n+1}\right) \eta+2 t^{n+1} \eta\right)-1 \\
& -2 L t^{n-1} \eta-\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left(3\left(1+t+\ldots+t^{n}\right) \eta+2 t^{n} \eta\right)+1+f_{n}^{(1)}(t) \\
& =f_{n}^{(1)}(t)+g_{1}(t) t^{n-1} \eta,
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
f_{n+1}^{(1)}(1)=f_{n}^{(1)}(t) \text { at } t=\delta_{1},
$$

since $g_{1}\left(\delta_{1}\right)=0$.
(2) $f_{n+1}^{(2)}(t)=f_{n+1}^{(2)}+L(3+t)(1+t) t^{n} \eta-L(3+t)(1+t) t^{n-1} \eta+2 L_{0} t^{n+1} \eta$

$$
=f_{n}^{(2)}(t)+g_{2}(t) t^{n-1} \eta
$$

and

$$
f_{n+1}^{(2)}(t)=f_{n}^{(2)}(t) \text { as } t=\delta_{2},
$$

since $g_{2}\left(\delta_{2}\right)=0$.
Let

$$
\begin{aligned}
a & =\frac{2 L \eta}{1-\frac{L_{0} \eta}{3}}, b=\frac{L\left(2 \eta+t_{1}\right) t_{1}}{2\left(1-L_{0} t_{1}\right)}, \eta \neq 0, c=\max \{a, b\} \\
\delta_{0} & =\min \left\{\delta_{1}, \delta_{2}\right\}, \delta=\max \left\{\delta_{1}, \delta_{2}\right\} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Lemma 2.3. Suppose

$$
\begin{equation*}
L_{0} t_{1}<1,2 L_{0} \eta<1 \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
0 \leq c \leq \delta_{0} \leq \delta \leq 1-L_{0} \eta \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Conditions (2.3) and (2.4) determine the smallness of $\eta$. Then, sequence $\left\{t_{n}\right\}$ is nondecreasing, bounded from above by $t^{* *}=\frac{\eta}{1-\delta}$ and converge to its unique least upper bound $t^{*} \in\left[0, \frac{\eta}{1-\delta}\right]$. The following error estimates also hold

$$
\begin{equation*}
0 \leq s_{n}-t_{n} \leq \delta^{n} \eta \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
0 \leq t_{n+1}-s_{n} \leq \delta^{n+1} \eta \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. The following items shall be shown using induction

$$
\begin{gather*}
0 \leq \frac{2 L\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)}{1-\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left(t_{k}-2 s_{k}\right)} \leq \alpha  \tag{2.7}\\
0 \leq \frac{L\left(2\left(s_{n}-t_{n}\right)+\left(t_{n+1}-t_{n}\right)\right)\left(t_{n+1}-t_{n}\right)}{2\left(1-L_{0} t_{n+1}\right)} \leq \gamma\left(s_{n}-t_{n}\right) \tag{2.8}
\end{gather*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
0 \leq t_{k} \leq s_{k} \leq t_{k+1} \tag{2.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

These estimates hold for $k=0$ by (2.1), the choice of a, b, conditions (2.3) and (2.4). It follows that $0 \leq t_{1}-s_{0} \leq \alpha\left(s_{0}-t_{0}\right)=\alpha \eta, 0 \leq s_{1}-t_{1}$ $\leq \alpha\left(s_{0}-t_{0}\right)=\alpha \eta$, so $t_{1} \leq \eta+\alpha \eta=\frac{1-\alpha^{2}}{1-\alpha} \eta<\frac{\eta}{1-\alpha}=t^{* *}$. Suppose $0 \leq s_{k}$ $-t_{k} \leq \alpha^{k} \eta, 0 \leq t_{k+1}-s_{k} \leq \alpha^{k+1} \eta$ and $t_{k+1} \leq \frac{1-\alpha^{k+2}}{1-\alpha} \eta<t^{* *}$. hold for all $k \leq n$. Then, evidently (2.7) holds if

$$
2 L \alpha^{k} \eta+\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left[\frac{1-\alpha^{k+1}}{1-\alpha} \eta+2\left(\frac{1-\alpha^{k+1}}{1-\alpha} \eta+\alpha^{k} \eta\right)\right]-\alpha \leq 0
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{k}^{(1)}(t) \leq 0 \text { at } t=\alpha \tag{2.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Define function $f_{\infty}^{(1)}$ on the interval $[0,1)$ by

$$
f_{k}^{(1)}(t)=\lim _{k \rightarrow \infty} f_{k}^{(1)}(t)
$$

It follows by the definition of $f_{\infty}^{(1)}$ and $f_{k}^{(1)}$ that

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{\infty}^{(1)}(t)=\frac{L_{0} \eta}{2(1-t)}-1 \tag{2.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

Then, by Lemma 2.2 (1) and (2.11), estimate (2.10) holds if

$$
\frac{L_{0} \eta}{2(1-t)}-1 \leq 0 \text { at } t=\alpha
$$

But this is true by the right hand side of (2.4). Similarly, (2.8) holds if

$$
\frac{L\left[2\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)+(1+\gamma)\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)\right](1+\gamma)\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)}{2\left(1-L_{0} t_{k+1}\right)} \leq \gamma\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)
$$

or

$$
\frac{L(3+\gamma)(1+\gamma)\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)}{2\left(1-L_{0} t_{k+1}\right)} \leq \gamma
$$

or

$$
L(3+\gamma)(1+\gamma) t^{k} \eta+2 \gamma L_{0} \frac{1-\gamma^{k+2}}{1-\gamma} \eta-2 \gamma \leq 0
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{k}^{(2)}(t) \leq 0 \text { at } t=\gamma_{2} \tag{2.12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Define function $f_{\infty}^{(2)}$ on the interval $[0,1)$ by

$$
f_{\infty}^{(2)}(t)=\lim _{k \rightarrow \infty} f_{k}^{(2)}(t)
$$

By the definition of $f_{k}^{(2)}$ and $f_{\infty}^{(2)}$, we get

$$
f_{\infty}^{(1)}(t)=2\left(\frac{L_{0} \eta}{1-t}-1\right)
$$

Bence, (2.12) holds, if

$$
\frac{L_{0} \eta}{1-t}-1 \leq 0
$$

But this holds by the right hand side of (2.4). It then also follows from (2.1) that (2.9) holds. The induction for assertions (2.7) and (2.8) is completed. Hence, we deduce $\lim _{k \rightarrow \infty} t_{k}=t^{*} \leq t^{* *}$.

## 3. Semi-local Convergence

The conditions (H) are needed:
Assume:
(H1) There exists $x_{0} \in D, \eta \geq 0$ such that $\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1} \in L\left(T_{2}, T_{1}\right)$ and $\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{L}\left(x_{0}\right)\right\| \leq \eta$.
(H2) There exists $L_{0}>0$ such that for each $x \in D$

$$
\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(z)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right)\right\| \leq L_{0}\left\|z-x_{0}\right\| .
$$

Define $D_{1}=U\left(x_{0}, \frac{1}{L_{0}}\right) \cap D$.
(H3) There exist $L>0, L_{1}>0$ such that for each $u, w \in D_{1}$

$$
\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(u)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(w)\right)\right\| \leq L_{0}\|u-w\|
$$

and

$$
\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}(u)\right\| \leq L_{1} .
$$

(H4) Conditions of Lemma 2.1 or Lemma 2.3 hold
and
(H5) $U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right] \subset D$.
Then, the following semi-local result for method (1.2) can be shown under conditions $H$.

Theorem 3.1. Assume conditions H. Then, iteration $\left\{x_{n}\right\}$ given by
method (1.2) is well defined in $U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right]$, remains in $U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right]$ for each $n=0,1,2, \ldots$ and converges to a solution $x^{*}$ of equation $F(x)=0$ in $U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right]$. Moreover, the following assertions hold

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left\|y_{n}-x_{n}\right\| \leq s_{n}-t_{n},  \tag{3.1}\\
& \left\|x_{n+1}-y_{n}\right\| \leq t_{n+1}-s_{n} \tag{3.2}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|x^{*}-x_{n}\right\| \leq t^{*}-t_{n} . \tag{3.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. By condition (H1) and (2.1),

$$
\left\|y_{0}-x_{0}\right\|=\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{L}\left(x_{0}\right)\right\| \leq \eta=s_{0}-t_{0} .
$$

Hence, (3.1) holds for $n=0$ and $y_{0} \in U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right]$. Let $u \in U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right]$. Using condition (h1) we get

$$
\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(u)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(u)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right)\right\| \leq L_{0}\left\|u-x_{0}\right\| \leq L_{0} t^{*}<1,
$$

so the Banach lemma on linear invertible operators [10] assures that $\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(u)^{-1}$ exists and

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(u)^{-1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right\| \leq \frac{1}{1-L_{0}\left\|z-x_{0}\right\|} \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

We can write by method (1.2)

$$
\begin{align*}
x_{k+1} & =y_{k}+\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) \\
& -4 A_{k}^{-1} \mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) \\
& =y_{k}+\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)^{-1}-4 A_{k}^{-1}\right) \mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) \\
& =y_{k}+\left(4 A_{k}^{-1}-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)^{-1}\right) \mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) \\
& =y_{k}-A_{k}^{-1}\left(4 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)-A_{k}\right) \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) . \tag{3.5}
\end{align*}
$$

Some estimates are needed assuming (3.1) and (3.2) for all $k \leq n$

$$
\begin{aligned}
4 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right) & -3 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(y_{k}\right) \\
& =3\left[\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right)\right]-\left[\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(y_{k}\right)\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

so by (H2) and (H3)

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)^{-1}\left[4 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)-3 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(y_{k}\right)\right]\right\| \\
& \quad \leq 3 L\left\|x_{k}-\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right\|+L\left\|y_{k}-x_{k}\right\| \\
& \quad \leq 2 L\left\|y_{k}-x_{k}\right\| \leq 2 L\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right) ;  \tag{3.6}\\
& \left\|\left(4 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right)^{-1}\left(A_{k}-4 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right)\right\| \\
& \quad \leq \frac{1}{4}\left[3\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right)\right\|\right. \\
& \left.\quad+\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}\right)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right)\right\|\right] \\
& \quad \leq \frac{1}{4} L_{0}\left[\left\|\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}-x_{0}\right\|+\left\|y_{k}-x_{0}\right\|\right] \\
& \quad \leq \frac{1}{4} L_{0}\left[\frac{2\left\|x_{k}+x_{0}\right\|+\left\|y_{k}-x_{0}\right\|}{3}+\left\|y_{k}-x_{0}\right\|\right] \\
& \quad \leq \frac{L_{0}}{4}\left[\frac{1}{3}\left(2 t_{k}+s_{k}\right)+s_{k}\right] \\
& \quad=\frac{L_{0}}{6}\left(t_{k}+2 s_{k}\right)<1,
\end{align*}
$$

so

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|A_{k}^{-1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right\| \leq \frac{1}{1-\frac{L_{0}}{2}\left(t_{k}+2 s_{k}\right)} \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, by (2.1) and (3.5)-(3.7), we have

$$
\left\|x_{k+1}-y_{k}\right\| \leq \frac{2 L\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)}{1-\frac{L_{0}}{2}\left(t_{k}+2 s_{k}\right)}=t_{k+1}-s_{k}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|x_{k+1}-x_{0}\right\| & \leq\left\|x_{k+1}-y_{k}\right\|+\left\|y_{k}-x_{0}\right\| \\
& \leq t_{k+1}-s_{k}+s_{k}-t_{0}=t_{k+1} \leq t^{*} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence, $x_{k+1} \in U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right]$ and (3.2) holds for $n=0$. Hence, iterate $y_{k+1}$ is well defined (by (3.4) for $u=x_{k+1}$ ). It follows from method (1.2) that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}\left(x_{k+1}\right) & =\mathcal{L}\left(x_{k+1}\right)-\mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right)+\mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right) \\
& =\mathcal{L}\left(x_{k+1}\right)-\mathcal{L}\left(x_{k}\right)-\frac{1}{4} A_{k}\left(x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right) \\
& =\left(b_{k}-\frac{1}{4} A_{k}\right)\left(x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $b_{k}=\int_{0}^{1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}+\theta\left(x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right)\right) d \theta$. We need an estimate:

$$
\begin{aligned}
4 b_{k}-A_{k} & =4 \int_{0}^{1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}+\theta\left(x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right)\right) d \theta-3 \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(y_{k}\right) \\
& =3\left[\int_{0}^{1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}+\theta\left(x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right)\right) d \theta-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}\right)\right] \\
& +\int_{0}^{1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k}+\theta\left(x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right)\right) d \theta-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(y_{k}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

So,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{k+1}\right)\right\| & \leq \frac{1}{4}\left\{3 L \int_{0}^{1}\left\|x_{k}-\left(\frac{2 x_{k}+y_{k}}{3}+\theta\left(x_{k}-x_{k}\right)\right)\right\| d \theta\right. \\
& \left.+L \int_{0}^{1}\left\|x_{k}+\theta\left(x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right)-y_{k}\right\| d \theta\right\}\left\|x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right\|
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{gather*}
\leq \frac{L}{2}\left(2\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)+\left(t_{k+1}-t_{k}\right)\right)\left(t_{k+1}-t_{k}\right)  \tag{3.8}\\
\left\|y_{k+1}-x_{k+1}\right\| \leq \frac{L\left(2\left(s_{k}-t_{k}\right)+\left(t_{k+1}-t_{k}\right)\right)\left(t_{k+1}-t_{k}\right)}{2\left(1-L_{0} t_{k+1}\right)}=s_{k+1}-t_{k+1}
\end{gather*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|y_{k+1}-x_{0}\right\| & \leq\left\|y_{k+1}-x_{k+1}\right\|+\left\|x_{k+1}-x_{0}\right\| \\
& \leq s_{k+1}-t_{k+1}+t_{k+1}-t_{0}=s_{k+1} \leq t^{*}
\end{aligned}
$$

These computations complete the induction for (3.1) and (3.2). Sequence $\left\{t_{k}\right\}$ is fundamental as convergent. Then, so is $\left\{x_{k}\right\}$ (in a Banach space $T_{1}$ ). Hence, there exists $x^{*} \in U\left[x_{0}, t^{*}\right]$ such that $\lim _{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{k}=x_{k}=x^{*}$. Then, by letting $k \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.8) we get $F\left(x^{*}\right)=0$, where we also used the continuity of $F$.

Remark 3.2. The limit point $t^{*}$ can be replaced by $\frac{1}{L_{0}}$ and $\frac{\eta}{1-\alpha}$ given in closed form in (h5) under the conditions of Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.3, respectively.

The uniqueness of the solution result follows.
Proposition 3.3. Assume:
(1) There exists element $x^{*} \in U\left(x_{0}, \rho_{0}\right) \subset D$ for some $\rho_{0}>0$ which is a simple solution for equation $\mathcal{L}(x)=0$.
(2) Condition (H2) holds.
(3) There exists $\rho_{1} \geq \rho_{0}$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{L_{0}}{2}\left(\rho_{0}+\rho_{1}\right)<1 \tag{3.9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Define $D_{2}=D \cap U\left[x, \rho_{1}\right]$. Then, the element $x^{*}$ is the only solution of equation $\mathcal{L}(x)=0$ in the set $D_{2}$.

Proof. Assume there exists $u^{*} \in D_{2}$ satisfying $\mathcal{L}\left(u^{*}\right)=0$. Define linear
operator $M=\int_{0}^{1} \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(u^{*}+t\left(x^{*}-u^{*}\right)\right) d t$. Then, in view of (H2) and (3.9), we obtain in turn

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(M-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(x_{0}\right)\right)\right\| & \leq L_{0} \int_{0}^{1}\left[(1-\theta)\left(\left\|u^{*}-x_{0}\right\|\right)+\theta\left\|x^{*}-x\right\|\right] d \theta \\
& \leq \frac{L_{0}}{2}\left(\rho_{0}+\rho_{1}\right)<1
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore, operator $M$ is invertible. Hence, also using the identity $0=\mathcal{L}\left(u^{*}\right)-\mathcal{L}\left(x^{*}\right)=M\left(u^{*}-x^{*}\right)$, we deduce that $u^{*}=x^{*}$.

Remark 3.4. Notice that not all conditions ( $H$ ) are used in Proposition 3.3. But if they were used, then we can certainly set $\rho_{0}=t^{*}$.

## 4. Numerical Experiment

We verify the conditions of Lemma 2.1 for an example in this section.
Example 4.1. Let us consider a scalar function $\mathcal{L}$ defined on the set $D=U\left[u_{0}, 1-s\right]$ for $s \in(0,1)$ by

$$
\mathcal{L}(x)=x^{3}-s
$$

Choose $\gamma=2$ and $u_{0}=1$. Then, we obtain the estimates $\eta=\frac{1-s}{3}$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mid \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(u_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(x)\right. & \left.-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(u_{0}\right)\right)\left|=\left|x^{2}-u_{0}^{2}\right|\right. \\
& \leq\left|x+u_{0}\right|\left|x-u_{0}\right| \leq\left(\left|x-u_{0}\right|+2\left|u_{0}\right|\right)\left|x-u_{0}\right| \\
& =(1-s+2)\left|x-u_{0}\right|=(3-s)\left|x-u_{0}\right|
\end{aligned}
$$

so $L_{0}=3-s$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mid \mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(u_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(y)-\right. & \left.\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(x)\right)\left|=\left|y^{2}-x^{2}\right|\right. \\
& \leq|y+x||y-x| \leq\left(\left|y-u_{0}+x-u_{0}+2 u_{0}\right|\right)|y-x| \\
& =\left(\left|y-u_{0}\right|+\left|x-u_{0}\right|+2\left|u_{0}\right|\right)|y-x|
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\leq\left(\frac{1}{L_{0}}+\frac{1}{L_{0}}+2\right)|y-x|=2\left(1+\frac{1}{L_{0}}\right)|y-x|,
$$

for each $x, y \in D$ and so $L=2\left(1+\frac{1}{L_{0}}\right)$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|\mathcal{L}^{\prime}\left(u_{0}\right)^{-1}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(y)-\mathcal{L}^{\prime}(x)\right)\right| & =\left(\left|y-u_{0}\right|+\left|x-u_{0}\right|+2\left|u_{0}\right|\right)|y-x| \\
& \leq(1-s+1-s+2)|y-x|=2(2-s)|y-x|
\end{aligned}
$$

for each $x, y \in D$ so $L_{1}=(2-s)^{2}$. Then, for $s=0.95$ we have
Table 1. Sequence (2.1) and condition (2.2).

| $n$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $t_{n+1}$ | 0.0183 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 |
| $s_{n}$ | 0.0167 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 | 0.0193 |
| $L_{0}\left(t_{n}+2 s_{n}\right)$ | 0.0683 | 0.1169 | 0.1189 | 0.1189 | 0.1189 | 0.1189 |
| $L_{0} t_{n+1}$ | 0.0376 | 0.396 | 0.0396 | 0.0396 | 0.0396 | 0.0396 |

Hence, the conditions of Lemma 2.1 hold.

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