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EXTENDING THE CONVERGENCE DOMAIN OF NEWTON'S METHOD FOR GENERALIZED EQUATIONS

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ABSTRACT. We present semi-local convergence results for Newton's method to solve generalized equations. Using a combination of Lipschitz and center-Lipschitz conditions on the operators involved instead of just Lipschitz conditions we show that our Newton–Kantorovich criteria are weaker than earlier sufficient conditions for the convergence of Newton's method. In particular, we provide finer error bounds and a better information on the location of the solution. Our results apply to solve generalized equations involving single as well as multivalued operators, which include variational inequalities, nonlinear complementarity problems and non smooth convex minimization problems. Numerical examples validate the theoretical results by showing that equations that could not be solved before can be solved using our new approach.

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1. Introduction. In this study we are concerned with the problem of approximating a locally unique solution x^* of the generalized equation

$$(1.1) \quad F(x) + G(x) \ni 0,$$

where, $F: D_0 \subseteq D \subseteq H \rightarrow H$ is a continuous operator which is Fréchet-differentiable at each point of the interior D_0 of a closed convex subset D of a Hilbert space H with values in H , and G is a multivalued maximal monotone operator from H into H (to be precised later) [3, 11, 14, 15].

The generalized Newton iteration

$$(1.2) \quad F'(x_n)(x_{n+1}) + G(x_{n+1}) \ni F'(x_n)(x_n) - F(x_n) \quad (n \geq 0)$$

has already been used to generate a sequence approximating x^* . In particular Uko [14,15] has provided local and semi-local convergence results for method (1.2) as well as a procedure for the computation of the inner-iterative procedures for the computation of the generalized iterates x_n ($n \geq 0$). This way he extended the classical Newton–Kantorovich results to hold for non smooth generalized equations. His results extend earlier works on non smooth equations [4–13]. As in the classical cases Uko used Lipschitz differentiability conditions on F' and the maximality properties of G .

Here using a combination of center-Lipschitz and Lipschitz conditions we provide local and semilocal convergence results for method (1.2) with the following advantages over earlier works and in particular [15]:

- (a) our results hold whenever the corresponding ones in [15] hold but not vice versa;
- (b) our Newton–Kantorovich hypotheses sufficient for the convergence of (1.2) is weaker than the corresponding one in [15]; and
- (c) our error bounds on the distances $\|x_{n+1} - x_n\|$, $\|x_n - x^*\|$ are finer and the information on the location of the solution x^* more precise.

Problems that are special cases of equation (1.1) have been in the literature for a long time. For example if $H = \mathbf{R}^j$ and $G(x_1, \dots, x_j) = G_1(x_1) \times \dots \times G_j(x_j)$, where G_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, j$ then (1.1) is called separable [11]. Moreover set

$$F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_j) = (F_1(x_1, \dots, x_j), \dots, F_j(x_1, \dots, x_j)),$$

in which case (1.1) reduces to

$$F_i(x_1, \dots, x_j) + G_i(x_i) \ni 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, j.$$

Moreover as in [15] let

$$G_i = \{0\} \times (-\infty, 0] \cup (0, \infty) \times \{0\} \quad (i \geq 0)$$

to obtain the complementarity problem

$$F_i(x_1, \dots, x_j) \geq 0, \quad x_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, j, \quad \sum_{i=1}^j x_i F_i(x_1, \dots, x_j) = 0.$$

These type of special cases of (1.1) have been studied extensively [9, 12, 14]. Furthermore if $\phi: H \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$ is a proper lower semicontinuous convex operator and

$$G(x) = \partial\phi(x) = \{y \in H: \phi(v) - \phi(w) \leq \langle y, v - w \rangle, \text{ for all } w \in H\}$$

becomes the variational inequality

$$F(x) + \partial\phi(x) \ni 0.$$

Other examples of special cases of (1.1) can be found in [1–3, 12, 14–18] and the references there.

2. Semi-local analysis. Throughout this section, we suppose

$$(2.1) \quad \|F'(x) - F'(y)\| \leq q\|x - y\|$$

$$(2.2) \quad \|F'(x) - F'(x_0)\| \leq q_0\|x - x_0\|$$

for all $x, y \in D_0$ and some fixed $x_0 \in D_0$. G is a nonempty subset of $H \times H$ so that there exists $a \geq 0$ such that

$$(2.3) \quad [x, y] \in G \text{ and } [v, w] \in G \Rightarrow \langle w - y, v - x \rangle \geq a\|x - v\|^2,$$

and which is not contained in any larger subset of $H \times H$.

We will use Lemma 2.2. from [15, p. 256]:

Lemma 2.1. *Let G be a maximal monotone operator satisfying (2.3), and let M be a bounded linear operator from H into H . If there exists $c \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $c > -a$, and*

$$(2.4) \quad \langle M(x), x \rangle \geq c\|x\|^2 \quad \text{for all } x \in H,$$

then there exists a unique $z \in H$ for any $b \in H$ such that

$$(2.5) \quad M(z) + G(z) \ni b.$$

We need the following auxiliary result on majorizing sequences:

Lemma 2.2 ([2]). *Let $L > 0$, $L_0 > 0$ and $n \geq 0$ be parameters. Define parameter γ by*

$$(2.6) \quad \gamma = \frac{2L}{L + \sqrt{L^2 + 8L_0L}}.$$

Suppose that

$$(2.7) \quad h_1 = L_1\eta \leq 1,$$

where

$$(2.8) \quad L_1 = \frac{1}{4}(4L_0 + \sqrt{L_0L + 8L_0^2} + \sqrt{L_0L}).$$

Then, scalar sequence $\{t_n\}$ defined for each $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ by

$$(2.9) \quad t_0 = 0, \quad t_1 = \eta, \quad t_2 = \eta + \frac{L_0\eta^2}{2(1 - L_0\eta)}, \quad t_{n+2} = t_{n+1} + \frac{L(t_{n+1} - t_n)^2}{2(1 - L_0t_{n+1})}$$

is well defined, non-decreasing, bounded above by

$$(2.10) \quad t^{**} = \eta + \frac{L\eta^2}{2(1 - \gamma)(1 - L_0\eta)}$$

and converges quadratically to its unique least upper bound t^ , which satisfies*

$$(2.11) \quad \eta \leq t^* \leq t^{**}.$$

Next, we present the main semilocal convergence theorem for method (1.2) using Lipschitz (2.1) and center-Lipschitz conditions (2.2).

Theorem 2.3. *Let F and G satisfy (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4), respectively, for $M = F'(x_0)$. Let $x_0 \in D_0$. Suppose: there exists $y_0 \in H$ such that $G(x_0) \ni y_0$ and $\|F(x_0) + y_0\| \leq b_0$ for $b_0 > 0$. Moreover suppose (2.7) holds for*

$$(2.12) \quad L_0 = \frac{q_0}{c_0 + a}, \quad c_0 = c, \quad L = \frac{q}{c_0 + a},$$

and

$$(2.13) \quad \overline{B}(x_0, t^*) \subseteq D.$$

Then generalized Newton's iteration $\{x_n\}$ ($n \geq 0$) generated by (1.2) is well defined, remains in $\overline{B}(x_0, t^*)$ for all $n \geq 0$, and converges to a unique solution x^* of equation $F(x) = 0$ in $\overline{B}(x_0, t^*)$. Moreover the following error bounds hold for all $n \geq 0$

$$(2.14) \quad \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \leq t_{n+1} - t_n$$

and

$$(2.15) \quad \|x_n - x^*\| \leq t^* - t_n,$$

where $\{t_n\}$ is given in (2.9).

Proof. We use induction on $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ to show:

$$(2.16) \quad x_k \in \overline{B}(x_0, t^*),$$

$$(2.17) \quad \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| \leq t_{k+1} - t_k,$$

$$(2.18) \quad \overline{B}(x_{k+1}, t^* - t_{k+1}) \subseteq \overline{B}(x_k, t^* - t_k),$$

$$(2.19) \quad \exists y_k \in H \text{ such that } y_k \in G(x_k),$$

$$(2.20) \quad \exists b_k > 0 \text{ such that } \|F(x_k) + y_k\| \leq b_k,$$

$$(2.21) \quad \exists c_k > -a \text{ such that } \langle F'(x_k)(x), x \rangle \geq c_k \|x\|^2 \text{ for all } x \in H.$$

The induction is true if $k = 0$ for (2.16), (2.19)–(2.21) by the hypotheses of the theorem. It then follows from (2.21) and Lemma 2.1 that there exists a unique $x_1 \in H$ satisfying (1.2). By (2.3), (2.4) and (1.2) we obtain in turn

$$a\|x_1 - x_0\|^2 + \langle y_0 + F(x_0) - F'(x_0)(x_0 - x_1), x_1 - x_0 \rangle \leq 0,$$

or

$$(2.22) \quad a\|x_1 - x_0\|^2 + \langle F'(x_0)(x_1 - x_0), x_1 - x_0 \rangle \leq \langle -F(x_0) - y_0, x_1 - x_0 \rangle$$

or

$$(2.23) \quad \|x_1 - x_0\| \leq a_0 = \frac{b_0}{c_0 + a} = t_1 - t_0.$$

For every $z \in \overline{B}(x_1, t^* - t_1)$,

$$(2.24) \quad \|z - x_0\| \leq \|z - x_1\| + \|x_1 - x_0\| \leq t^* - t_1 + t_1 = t^* - t_0,$$

implies $z \in \overline{B}(x_0, t^* - t_0)$. It follows from (2.23) and (2.24) that (2.17) and (2.18) hold for $k = 0$. Given they hold for $n = 0, \dots, k$ and again using (2.21) and Lemma 2.1 we conclude that there exists a unique $x_{k+1} \in H$ satisfying (1.2),

$$(2.25) \quad \begin{aligned} \|x_{k+1} - x_0\| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \|x_i - x_{i-1}\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} (t_i - t_{i-1}) \\ &= t_{k+1} - t_0 = t_{k+1} \leq t^*, \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.26) \quad \|x_k + \theta(x_{k+1} - x_k) - x_0\| \leq t_k + \theta(t_{k+1} - t_k) < t^* \quad \theta \in [0, 1].$$

Hence (2.16) holds if k is replaced by $k + 1$. As in (2.22) we obtain in turn

$$a\|x_{k+1} - x_k\|^2 + \langle y_k + F(x_k) - F'(x_k)(x_k - x_{k+1}), x_{k+1} - x_k \rangle \leq 0$$

or

$$(2.27) \quad a\|x_{k+1} - x_k\|^2 + \langle F'(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k), x_{k+1} - x_k \rangle \leq \langle -F'(x_k) - y_k, x_{k+1} - x_k \rangle$$

or

$$(2.28) \quad \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| \leq t_{k+1} - t_k.$$

That is (2.17) and (2.18) hold for k replaced by $k + 1$.

By (2.2) and (2.25) we get

$$(2.29) \quad \|F'(x_{k+1}) - F'(x_0)\| \leq q_0\|x_{k+1} - x_0\| \leq q_0 t_{k+1}.$$

Set

$$(2.30) \quad c_{k+1} = c_0 - q_0 t_k.$$

Then by hypothesis (2.7) we get

$$(2.31) \quad c_{k+1} > -a.$$

Therefore

$$(2.32) \quad \langle F'(x_0)(x) - F'(x_{k+1})(x), x \rangle \leq \|F'(x_0) - F'(x_{k+1})\| \|x\|^2 \leq q_0 t_k \|x\|^2,$$

for all $x \in H$. Hence (2.21) holds for k replaced by $k + 1$.

Define

$$(2.33) \quad y_{k+1} = -F(x_k) - F'(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k).$$

Then (2.19) holds by (2.5) and

$$(2.34) \quad \begin{aligned} \|F(x_{k+1}) + y_{k+1}\| &\leq \|F(x_{k+1}) - F(x_k) - F'(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k)\| \\ &= \left\| \int_0^1 [F'(x_k + \theta(x_{k+1} - x_k)) - F'(x_k)](x_{k+1} - x_k) dt \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{\bar{q}}{2} \|x_{k+1} - x_k\|^2 = b_{k+1}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(2.35) \quad \bar{q} = \begin{cases} q_0, & k = 0 \\ q, & k = 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

and $a_k = \frac{b_k}{c_k + a}$ ($k \geq 0$). Thus for every $z \in \overline{B}(x_{k+1}, t^* - t_{k+1})$, we have

$$(2.36) \quad \|z - x_k\| \leq \|z - x_{k+1}\| + \|x_{k+1} - x_k\| \leq t^* - t_{k+1} + t_{k+1} - t_k = t^* - t_k.$$

That is

$$(2.37) \quad z \in \overline{B}(x_k, t^* - t_k).$$

The induction for (2.16)–(2.21) is now completed.

Lemma 2.2 implies that $\{t_n\}$ ($n \geq 0$) is a complete sequence. By (2.9) and (2.28) it follows that it is a complete sequence too, and as such it converges to some $x^* \in \overline{B}(x_0, t^*)$ (since $\overline{B}(x_0, t^*)$ is a closed set). By letting $m \rightarrow \infty$ in

$$(2.38) \quad \|x_{k+m} - x_k\| \leq \sum_{i=k}^{k+m-1} \|x_{i+1} - x_i\| \leq \sum_{i=k}^{k+m-1} (t_{i+1} - t_i) = t_{k+m} - t_k$$

we obtain (2.15). Moreover, since $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{k+1} = x^*$,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} [F'(x_k)(x_k - x_{k+1}) - F(x_k)] = -F(x^*),$$

and

$$G(x_{k+1}) \ni F'(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k) - F(x_k)$$

it follows that $G(x^*) \ni -F(x^*)$. Hence x^* is a solution of equation $F(x) = 0$.

Finally, to show uniqueness in $\overline{B}(x_0, t^*)$, let us assume there exists a solution $y^* \in \overline{B}(x_0, t^*)$. Then, we obtain in turn

$$\begin{aligned} a\|x_{k+1} - y^*\|^2 + \langle F'(x_k)(x_{k+1} - y^*), x_{k+1} - y^* \rangle \\ \leq \langle F(y^*) - F(x_k) - F'(x_k)(y^* - x_k), x_{k+1} - y^* \rangle \end{aligned}$$

or (as in (2.27))

$$(2.39) \quad \|x_{k+1} - y^*\| \leq \frac{q}{2(c_k + a)} \|x_k - y^*\|^2 < \|x_k - y^*\|$$

(since $\frac{q}{2(c_k + a)} \|x_k - y^*\| < 1$ by (2.7)). Hence we get $x^* = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = y^*$. \square

Remark 2.4. Note that t^* can be replaced by t^{**} given in closed form by (2.10) in condition (2.13).

Remark 2.5. In order for us to compare our Theorem 2.3 with earlier ones, and in particular to Theorem 2.11 in [15] we define the scalar function p by

$$(2.40) \quad p(s) = \frac{L}{2}s^2 - s + a_0,$$

where L is given by (2.12). Uko's Newton-Kantorovich hypothesis (see [15]) becomes

$$(2.41) \quad h = 2La_0 \leq 1.$$

But

$$(2.42) \quad q_0 \leq q, \text{ so } L_0 \leq L_1$$

holds in general and $\frac{q}{q_0}$ can be arbitrarily large. Hence (2.41) always implies (2.7) but not vice versa. If strict inequality holds in (2.42) then (2.7) may hold but not (2.41). Moreover,

$$(2.43) \quad \frac{h_1}{h} \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } \frac{L_0}{L} \longrightarrow 0.$$

Hence, the applicability of Newton's method can be extended infinitely many times over old approach.

In example that follows we show that $\frac{L}{L_0}$ may be arbitrarily large. Moreover define sequence $\{u_n\}$ by

$$(2.44) \quad u_{n+1} = u_n + \frac{\frac{L}{2}s_n^2 - u_n + a_0}{1 - Lu_n}, \quad s_0 = 0 \quad (n \geq 0),$$

and

$$(2.45) \quad u^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n.$$

Then it is known [3, 10] that

$$(2.46) \quad u^* = \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 2L_0a_0}}{L},$$

$$(2.47) \quad u_{n+1} - u_n = -\frac{p(u_n)}{p'(u_n)} = \frac{\frac{L}{2}(u_n - u_{n-1})^2}{1 - Lu_n} \quad (n \geq 1),$$

and

$$(2.48) \quad u^* - u_{n+1} = \frac{\frac{L}{2}(u^* - u_n)^2}{1 - Lu_n} \leq \frac{1}{L2^{n+1}}h^{2^{n+1}} \quad (n \geq 0).$$

Uko used the error bounds (2.14) and (2.15) with sequence $\{u_n\}$, and point u^* replacing $\{t_n\}$, and point t^* respectively. That is for all $n \geq 0$:

$$(2.14)' \quad \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \leq u_{n+1} - u_n$$

and

$$(2.15)' \quad \|x_n - x^*\| \leq u^* - u_n.$$

We show that our error bounds are finer and the location of the solution x^* more precise:

Proposition 2.6. *Under hypotheses of Theorem 2.3 (for $L_0 < L$) and (2.41) the following error bounds hold:*

$$(2.49) \quad t_{n+1} < s_{n+1} \quad (n \geq 1),$$

$$(2.50) \quad t_{n+1} - t_n < u_{n+1} - u_n \quad (n \geq 1),$$

$$(2.51) \quad t^* - t_n \leq u^* - u_n \quad (n \geq 0),$$

$$(2.52) \quad t^* \leq u^*,$$

$$0 \leq t_{n+1} - t_n \leq \alpha^{2^{n-1}}(u_{n+1} - u_n) \quad (n \geq 1),$$

$$(2.53) \quad \alpha = \frac{1 - L\eta}{1 - L_0\eta} \in [0, 1)$$

and

$$(2.54) \quad 0 \leq t^* - t_n \leq \alpha^{2^{n-1}}(u^* - u_n) \quad (n \geq 1).$$

Moreover we have: $t_n = u_n$ ($n \geq 0$) if $L = L_0$.

Proof. We use induction on the integer k to show (2.49) and (2.50) first. For $n = 0$ in (2.9) we obtain

$$t_2 - \eta = \frac{L\eta^2}{2(1 - L_0\eta)} \leq \frac{L\eta^2}{2(1 - L\eta)} = u_2 - u_1$$

and

$$t_2 < u_2.$$

Assume:

$$t_{k+1} < u_{k+1}, \quad t_{k+1} - t_k < u_{k+1} - u_k \quad (k \leq n + 1).$$

Using (2.9), and (2.44) we get

$$t_{k+2} - t_{k+1} = \frac{\frac{L}{2}(t_{k+1} - t_k)^2}{1 - L_0 t_{k+1}} < \frac{\frac{L}{2}(u_{k+1} - u_k)^2}{1 - L u_{k+1}} = u_{k+2} - u_{k+1}$$

and

$$t_{k+2} - t_{k+1} < u_{k+2} - u_{k+1}.$$

Let $m \geq 0$, we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 t_{k+m} - t_k &< (t_{k+m} - t_{k+m-1}) + (t_{k+m-1} - t_{k+m-2}) + \cdots + (t_{k+1} - t_k) \\
 &< (u_{k+m} - u_{k+m-1}) + (u_{k+m-1} - u_{k+m-2}) + \cdots + (u_{k+1} - u_k) \\
 (2.55) \quad &< u_{k+m} - u_k.
 \end{aligned}$$

By letting $m \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.55) we obtain (2.51). For $n = 1$ in (2.51) we get (2.52).

Finally, (2.53) and (2.54) follow easily from (2.9) and (2.44). Note also that (2.53) holds as a strict inequality if $n \geq 2$. \square

3. Numerical examples. We complete this study with numerical examples when, $G = 0$ on D . In the first one we show that hypothesis (2.41) fails whereas (2.7) holds. In the second example we compare estimates (2.14), (2.15) and $(2.14)'$, $(2.15)'$, respectively.

Example 3.1. Let $H = \mathbf{R}$, $D = [\sqrt{2} - 1, \sqrt{2} + 1]$, $x_0 = \sqrt{2}$ and define function f on D by

$$(3.1) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{6}x^3 - \left(\frac{2^{3/2}}{6} + .23 \right).$$

Using (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4), we obtain

$$(3.2) \quad a = 0, \quad c = 2, \quad a_0 = .23, \quad L = 2.4142136$$

$$(3.3) \quad L_0 = 1.914213562, \quad L = 3.9080, \quad h = 2La_0 = 1.1105383 > 1,$$

and by (2.7)

$$(3.4) \quad L_1a_0 = 0.8988 < 1.$$

That is, there is no guarantee that Newton's method $\{x_n\}$ ($n \geq 0$) starting at x_0 converges to a solution x^* of equation $F(x) = 0$, since (2.41) is not satisfied. However since (3.5) holds, Theorem 2.3 guarantees the convergence of Newton's method to $x^* = 1.614507018$.

Example 3.2. Let $H = \mathbf{R}$, $x_0 = 1.3$, $D = [x_0 - 2\eta, x_0 + 2\eta]$ and define function f on D by

$$(3.5) \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{3}(x^3 - 1).$$

As in Example 3.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 &= .236094674, \eta = 0.2463784, \quad L = 2.097265501 \\ L_0 &= 1.817863519, \quad L_1 = 3.6810, \quad h = 2L\eta = .990306428 < 1 \\ h_1 &= L_1\eta = 0.9069188 < 1, \quad (\text{for } \delta = 1) \\ t^* &= .369677842 \quad \text{and} \quad u^* = .429866445. \end{aligned}$$

That is, we provide a better information on the location of the solution x^* since

$$(3.6) \quad \bar{U}(x_0, t^*) \subset \bar{U}(x_0, u^*).$$

Moreover using (2.14), (2.15) and (2.14)' and (2.15)' we can tabulate the following, which shows the superiority of our results:

Comparison table

x_n	Estimates (2.14)	Estimates (2.15)	Estimates (2.14)'	Estimates (2.15)'
$x_1 = 1.0639053254$	0.0999320677420	0.13084952171864	.236094674	.193771771
$x_2 = 1.0037617275$	0.0245022382979	0.00264927072600	.115780708	.0779910691
$x_3 = 1.0000140800$	0.0016743296484	0.000023014227062	.053649732	.024342893
$x_4 = 1.0000000002$	0.0000078919862	0.00000000176714	.020186667	.004156226
$n = 5$	0.00000000176714	0.0000000001753	.0000000000000039	.00016902
$n = 6$	0	0	.000000000000003	.000002259

Example 3.3. Let $H = \mathbf{R}$, $x_0 = 0$ and define function f on \mathbb{R} by

$$f(x) = c_0x + c_1 + c_2 \sin e^{b_3x},$$

where c_i , $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ are given parameters. It can easily be seen that for c_3 large and c_2 sufficiently small, $\frac{q_0}{q}$ may be arbitrarily small. That is (2.7) may be satisfied but not (2.41).

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