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1. From $[-7, -5]$, root = -5.7591, 15 iterations.
From $[-5, -3]$, root = -3.6689, 15 iterations.
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8. From $[-7, -5]$, root = -5.7591 in 5 iterations (versus 15).
From $[-5, -3]$, root = -3.6689 in 6 iterations (versus 15).
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- 9* The two solutions are $x = -5.7591$ and $x = -3.6689$. The tolerance was set at $1E-5$:

Regular falsi gets the first root starting from $[-6, -4]$ in 15 iterations; it gets the second from $[-4, -2]$ in 28 iterations.

Bisection gets the first root starting from $[-6, -4]$ in 17 iterations; it gets the second from $[-4, -2]$ in 17 iterations.

The secant method gets the first root starting from $[-6, -4]$ in 4 iterations; it gets the second from $[-4, -2]$ in 3 iterations.

13. a. $f'(x) = 4x^2 - x \cdot \exp(x^2/2)$.
b. From $x_0 = 2$ with error $< 1E-05$: 1.12656 in 4 iterations.
c. Near the second root (3.08442), the slope is very large and negative so it is impossible to get that root by Newton's method. Even using a starting value of 3.08442, the method converges to the root at 1.122656.
d. In part (b), successive accurate digits are: 1, 2, 4, 6.
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21. a. $P(-1) = -0.9$; $P'(-1) = -15.8$.
b. The root is -1.057087399. Successive estimates:
 -1.0569620, 4 digits correct.
 -1.0570874, 8 digits correct.
c. The root is 1.462723639. Successive estimates from $x = 1.5$:
 1.4638035, 3 digits correct.
 1.4627295, 6 digits correct.
d. If only four correct digits of the first root are used to reduce, we get 1.46270 versus 1.46273.
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25. a. We can get the root at $x = 2$ because the function changes sign there; we cannot get the root at $x = 4$ because the function does not change sign at that point.
b. The secant method gets both roots.
c. We get the root at $x = 2$ from all three methods.
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27. Quadratic convergence is restored with the proper values for k in Eq. (1.7).

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - k * \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} = g_k(x_n). \quad (1.7)$$

28* The convergence is quadratic. starting from $x_0 = 5$, we get

x_n	5	4.55	4.25	4.0792	4.0113	4.00028	4.00000
digits	0	1	1	1	2	4	8?
Ratio of errors		0.55	0.454	0.317	0.143	0.025	?

Applying Newton to $P'(x)$ to find the triple root results in only linear convergence. Quadratic convergence will be obtained if we apply it to $P''(x)$.

29. a. The plot shows that $f(x)$ and $f'(x)$ are zero at $x = 2$ and at $x = 4$.
 b. A single root.
 c. A single root.
 d. A single root at $x = 4$ but poles at $x = 2.2, 2.701, 3.6899$.
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31. a. 0.60583.

38. a. The $g(x)$ converges to 0.41421 in 7 iterations from $x_0 = 1$.
 b. With acceleration, 5 iterations.
 c. The second root is at -2.41421. $g(x)$ does not get this but if $g(x) = 1/x - 2$, we get the negative root from any x_0 value except $x_0 = 0$.
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46. a. The plot shows an ellipse and a cosine curve that lies only on or above the x-axis. Intersections at about $(-0.96, 0.32)$ and $(1.99, 0.17)$.
 b. $(-0.96442, 0.32478)$ and $(1.9908, 0.16624)$.
 c. Same as for part (b).
 d. Same as for part (b).
 e. When solving for y is difficult (or for x).
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