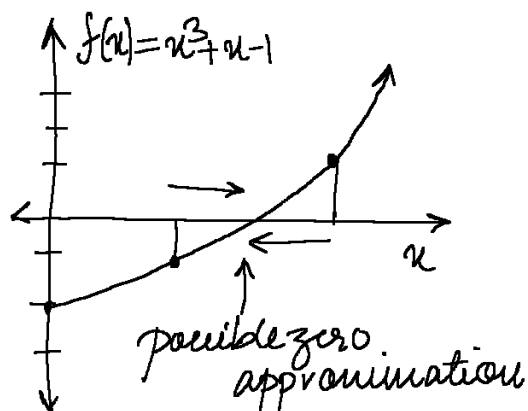


## 4.8 Newton's Method:

Ex1:  $f(x) = x^3 + x - 1 = 0$

$f(0) = -1$ : neg;  $f(1) = 1$ : pos



Bisection Method & root:

$f$  root in  $[0, 1]$  mid =  $f(.5)$ : neg

$f$  root in  $[\cdot 5, 1]$  mid =  $f(.75)$ : pos

$f$  root in  $[\cdot 5, .75]$  mid .....

Newton's Iteration:

$x_1$  = initial guess

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - (f(x_n) / f'(x_n))$$

Then  $x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  is a zero

of  $f$  (then it exists)

Ex2:  $f(x) = x^3 + x - 1 = 0$

Newton's Method:  $f' = 3x^2 + 1$

Initial guess:  $x_1 = 1$

$$L(x) = f'(1)(x-1) + f(1)$$

$$= 4(x-1) + 1 = 0$$

$$x = 0.75$$

Second guess:  $x_2 = 0.75$

$$L(x) = f'(.75)(x-.75) + f(.75)$$

$$= 0.75 - f(.75) / f'(.75)$$

$$x = 0.68$$

$n^{\text{th}}$  guess:  $x_n = x_n$

$$L(x_n) = f'(x_n)(x - x_n) + f(x_n) = 0$$

$$= f'(x_n)(x - x_n) = -f(x_n)$$

$$\text{then next guess} = x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

Note: Newton's iteration may fail to converge if the initial guess  $x_1$  is chosen too far away from the actual root.