

# 8.6-6.5-1.1

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## Question:

Find the minimum value of the function

$$f(x) = (2x - 1)^2 + 3$$

## Solution:

### Theoretical solution:

Given,

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 4(2x - 1) = 0 \quad (0.1)$$

$$\implies x = \frac{1}{2} \quad (0.2)$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 8 \quad (0.3)$$

$$(0.4)$$

Since,  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$ , at  $x = \frac{1}{2}$  there exists minimum

Therefore,  $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 3$  is the minimum value of the function

### Computational Solution Using Gradient Descent

To verify the analytical results, we use gradient descent to find the local minimum

Gradient Descent for local minimum :

- Start with  $x_0 = 4$
- Update  $x$  iteratively using

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \eta \cdot f'(x_n) \quad (0.5)$$

where :

$$\eta = 0.1 \quad (0.6)$$

$$f'(x) = 4(2x - 1) \quad (0.7)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \eta \cdot (4(2x_n - 1)) \quad (0.8)$$

### Computational Results

- Local minimum

$$x \approx 0.5, \quad g(x) \approx 3.000 \quad (0.9)$$

