

(5th Assignment is due on May 11th. The paper work must be submitted on the class.)

(1) Assume that  $f: [a,b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a twice continuously differentiable function with  $x^* \in (a,b)$  such that  $f(x^*) = 0$  and  $f'(x^*) \neq 0$ . Please show that there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that the sequence of  $\{x_n\}$  generated by Newton's method converges to  $x^*$  when  $x_0 \in (x^* - \delta, x^* + \delta)$ .

(2) Assume that  $f(x) = -x^4 + 3x^2 + 2$  defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Please find a root of  $f(x)$ .