

ASSIGNMENT 13.3

Problem Statement:

Find square root of number using Babylonian method.

- 1 Start with an arbitrary positive start value x (the closer to the root, the better).
- 2 Initialize $y = 1$.
3. Do following until desired approximation is achieved.
 - a) Get the next approximation for root using average of x and y
 - b) Set $y = n/x$

Solution:

Finding square root of number using Babylonian method:

Here is the code snippet I have written in Scala to get this done:

```
object SquareRoot {  
  
  def main(args: Array[String]) {  
  
    val input = 50  
    val result = getSquareRoot(input)  
    println("Square root of given number" + input + "is " + result)  
  
  }  
  
  getSquareRoot(number: Double): Double = {  
  
    val x = number  
    val y = 1  
    val e = 0.000001  
    while((x-y) > e) {  
      x = (x + y) / 2  
      y = n / x  
    }  
    x  
  }  
}
```

Output:

Square root of given number 50 is 7.07106