

# Assignment #7: Root finding methods

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## 1 Overview

Given a function:  $y = x^2$  where  $y = 7$ . Solve via Newton Method.

$$x_{n+1} = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)}$$

## 2 Code Analysis

First, I declared my variables where 'e' represents the tolerance.

```
1 double x1,x2;  
2 double e = 0.00001;
```

Then, create a c function which initiate f(x) as well as another function to return a derivative.

```
1  
2 double f(double x)  
3 {  
4     return x * x - 7;  
5 }  
6  
7  
8 double fderiv(double x)  
9 {  
10     double h = 0.0001;  
11  
12     // Difference Quotient  
13     double diff_q = ( f(x+h) - f(x-h) ) / (2 * h);  
14     return diff_q;  
15 }
```

After settings the value for x1, the code is ready to follow Newton Method. Apply the method in a loop until the tolerance(+/- 0.00001) is met.

```
1
2  for (int i = 0; i < steps; ++i)
3  {
4      x2 = x1 - f(x1) / fderiv(x1);
5
6      if (fabs(x2-x1) < e)
7      {
8          break;
9      }
10
11     printf("Results are %f\n", x2);
12
13     x1 = x2;
14
15
16 }
```

### 3 Program Output

```
1 Results are 2.666667
2 Results are 2.645833
3 Results are 2.645751
```

The root obtain for function  $x^2 - 7$  via Newton is represented on line 3, "Results are 2.645751"

## 4 C Code

```
1  /**
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6   */
7
8  #include <stdio.h>
9  #include <math.h>
10
11 // Global Constants
12 double x1,x2;
13 double e = 0.00001;
14
15 // Create function f(x)
16 /**
17  *
18  *  $Y = x^2$  ;  $y = 7$ 
19  *  $x^2 - 7 = 0$ 
20  *
21  */
22 double f(double x)
23 {
24     return x * x - 7;
25 }
26
27 // Finds the derivative of f(x)
28 double fderiv(double x)
29 {
30     double h = 0.0001;
31
32     // Difference Quotient
33     double diff_q = ( f(x+h) - f(x-h) ) / ( 2 * h );
34     return diff_q;
35 }
36
37
38 int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
39 {
40     // Prompt User for initial x1 value
41     printf("Set initial guess: \n");
42     scanf("%lf", &x1);
43 }
```

```

44  /**
45   * Iteratives until tolerance  $\pm 0.00001$  is met
46   * – maximum 100 steps
47   */
48  int steps = 100;
49
50  for (int i = 0; i < steps; ++i)
51  {
52      x2 = x1 - f(x1) / fderiv(x1);
53
54      // When tolerance condition is met, end the loop
55      if (fabs(x2-x1) < e)
56      {
57          break;
58      }
59
60      printf("Results are %f\n", x2);
61
62      x1 = x2;
63
64
65  }
66
67  return 0;
68 }

```