

Solutions to ENGR 122 Assignment 6

1. $f(x) = e^{x/2} - 5x$, $x_1 = 6$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{x/2} - 5$$

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

$$f(x_1) = -9.914 \quad f'(x_1) = 5.043$$

$$x_2 = 6 - \frac{(-9.914)}{5.043} = 7.966$$

$$f(x_2) = 13.848, \quad f'(x_2) = 21.839$$

$$x_3 = 7.966 - \frac{13.848}{21.839} = 7.332$$

$$f(x_3) = 2.435, \quad f'(x_3) = 14.548$$

$$x_4 = 7.332 - \frac{2.435}{14.548} = 7.165$$

$$f(x_4) = 0.138, \quad f'(x_4) = 12.982$$

$$x_5 = 7.165 - \frac{0.138}{12.982} = 7.154$$

$$f(x_5) = -0.004 \quad f'(x_5) = 12.883$$

$$x_6 = 7.154 - \frac{(-0.004)}{12.883} = 7.154$$

The root with 2 decimal digits correct:

$$x^* = 7.15$$

$$2.(a) \quad y' = 6t^2 - 42t + 60 = 6(t-2)(t-5)$$

$$y'' = 12t - 42$$

when $t=2, y=61, y'=0, y''<0$. Hence $(2, 61)$ is a maximum point

when $t=5, y=34, y'=0, y''>0$. Hence $(5, 34)$ is a minimum point

when $t < 3.5, y'' < 0$ and y' is decreasing

when $t > 3.5, y'' > 0$ and y' is increasing

The concavity changes at $t=3.5$. When $t=3.5, y=47.5$ so $(3.5, 47.5)$ is a point of inflexion.

t	2	3.5	5
y'	+	0	-
y''	-	-	0

max min

(b)

$$y = t^3 - t$$

$$y' = 3t^2 - 1$$

$$y'' = 6t$$

When $t = 1/\sqrt{3}$, $y = -2/3\sqrt{3}$, $y' = 0$, $y'' > 0$, so $(1/\sqrt{3}, -2/3\sqrt{3})$

is a minimum point

When $t = -1/\sqrt{3}$, $y = 2/3\sqrt{3}$, $y' = 0$, $y'' < 0$ so $(-1/\sqrt{3}, 2/3\sqrt{3})$

is a maximum point

When $t < 0$, $y'' < 0$ and y' is decreasing

When $t > 0$, $y'' > 0$ and y' is increasing

The concavity changes at $t = 0$, so $(0, 0)$ is a point of inflexion

t	$-1/\sqrt{3}$	0	$1/\sqrt{3}$
y'	$+ \ 0 \ -$	$-$	$0 \ +$
y''	$-$	0	$+$
y	\nearrow	\searrow	\nearrow
	max		min

(c) Similar

$(0, 2)$ minimum

$$3. (a) \quad y'' = x^3 - y^2 \quad y''(0) = -1$$

$$y''' = 3x^2 - 2yy' \quad y'''(0) = -2(1)(-1) = 2$$

$$P_3(x) = 1 - x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{2x^3}{3!}$$

$$P_3(0.25) = 0.7240$$

$$(b) \quad y^{(4)} = 6x - 2yy'' - 2(y')^2$$

$$y^{(4)}(0) = (-2)(1)(-1) - 2(-1)^2 = 0$$

$$P_4(0.25) = 0.7240 \text{ as in (a).}$$

$$-4- (a) \quad P_3(x) = 1 - \frac{k^2 x^2}{2}$$

(b) For example

$$P_3(x) = 1 - 2x^2, \text{ (by setting } k=2\text{)}$$