10.4.3.1.2

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Question:
Find the roots of the equation $2x^2 + x - 4 = 0$
Solution:
Theoritical solution:

Applying quadratic formula gives solution as

$$x_1 = \frac{-1 - \sqrt{33}}{4} \tag{0.1}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{33}}{4} \tag{0.2}$$

Computational solution:
We can solve the above equation using fixed point iterations. First we separate x, from the above equation and make an update equation of the below sort.

$$x = g(x) = \frac{4 - 2x^2}{2} \tag{0.3}$$

Applying the above update equation on our equation, we get

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{4 - 2x_n^2}{2} \tag{0.4}$$

Now we start with an initial guess $x_0 = 10$
But we realize that the updated values always approach infinity for any initial value.
So we will use Newton-Rapshon method
Newton-Raphson Method:
Start with an initial guess x_0, and then run the following logical loop,

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)} \tag{0.5}$$

where,

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + x + -4 \tag{0.6}$$

$$f'(x) = 4x + 1 \tag{0.7}$$

The update equation will be

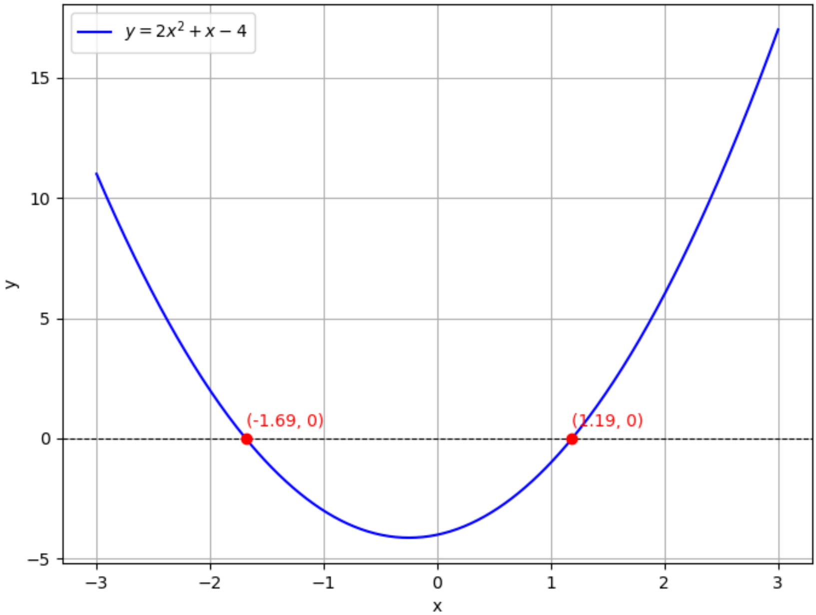
$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{2x_n{}^2 + x_n - 4}{4x_n + 1} \tag{0.8}$$

$$\tag{0.9}$$

The problem with this method is if the roots are complex but the coeffcients are real, x_n either converges to an extrema or grows continuously without any bound. To get the complex solutions, however , we can just take the initial guess point to be a random complex number.
The output of a program written to find roots is shown below:

$$r_1 = -1.6861 \tag{0.10}$$

$$r_2 = 1.1859 \tag{0.11}$$



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