

Solution for Problem 10 on Problem Set 2

Nadeem Demian

9/25/2020

```
crazyfunction <- function(x) {  
  # Check for internal conformity  
  if(as.character(x)=="r") print("You have preformed an illegal opperation")  
  # Generate upper bound of function  
  if(x > 1e2) a = 0  
  #Create sequence z which is entirely arbitrary  
  z = seq(0,1e2,1e-2)  
  for(i in 1:length(z)){  
    aa = sin(x) + 7*x + log(x) # key equation  
    CC = 100*x + 2*exp(10)  
    if(x>z[i]) {hit = z[i]  
      bb = aa*2 + 3 #modify it  
      cc = x^z[i]  
      dd = bb*cc  
      jj = (dd - 100)*-1  
      if(jj < -1000) print("We don't know the function value in this domain")  
      break  
    }  
  }  
  return(jj)  
}
```

Start by calculating the slope, we will use the standard $(y_2 - y_1) / (x_2 - x_1)$ in order to do so

```
basic.slope <- (crazyfunction(4) - crazyfunction(3))/(4-3)  
basic.slope
```

```
## [1] -12.77952
```

Great – however, we know that’s not really a good approximation of the slope exactly at the point $x = 3$. Currently the change in x is $= 1$, but in order to get a better approximation for x , we want to use incrementally smaller changes. To demonstrate, I will use a for loop, printing only the final value where the change in $x = 0.0001$

```
foo = 10000  
for(j in 1:foo) {  
  zoo <- 3 + (1/foo)  
  (crazyfunction(zoo) - crazyfunction(3))/(zoo-3)  
  if (j == foo) {  
    print((crazyfunction(zoo) - crazyfunction(3))/(zoo-3))  
  }  
}
```

```
## [1] -12.68666
```

Using this strategy of decreasing increments, we find that the approximation for the value of the slope at $x = 3$ converges at 12.68666